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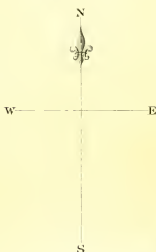


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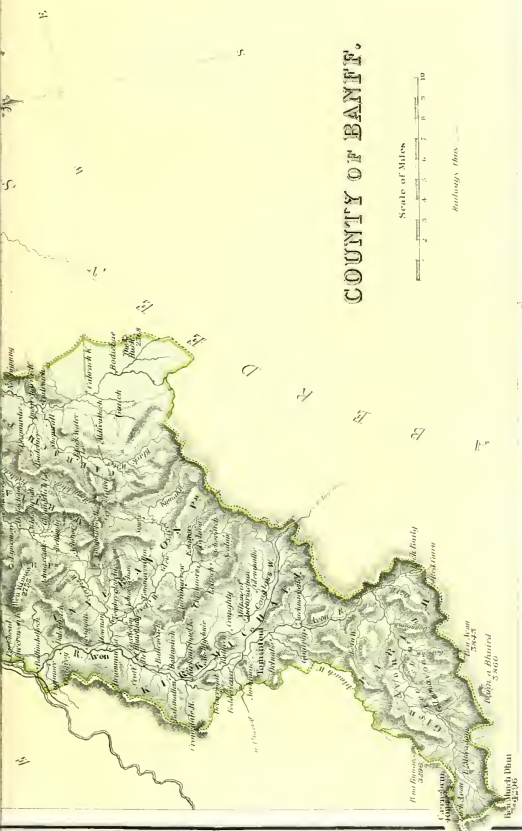
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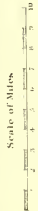


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Map of the Scottish Highlands showing major towns, rivers, and railway lines. Key locations include Glasgow, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, Dundee, Perth, and Inverness. The map also shows the Great North of Scotland Railway and the Great North of Scotland Railway. The map is oriented vertically with North at the top.



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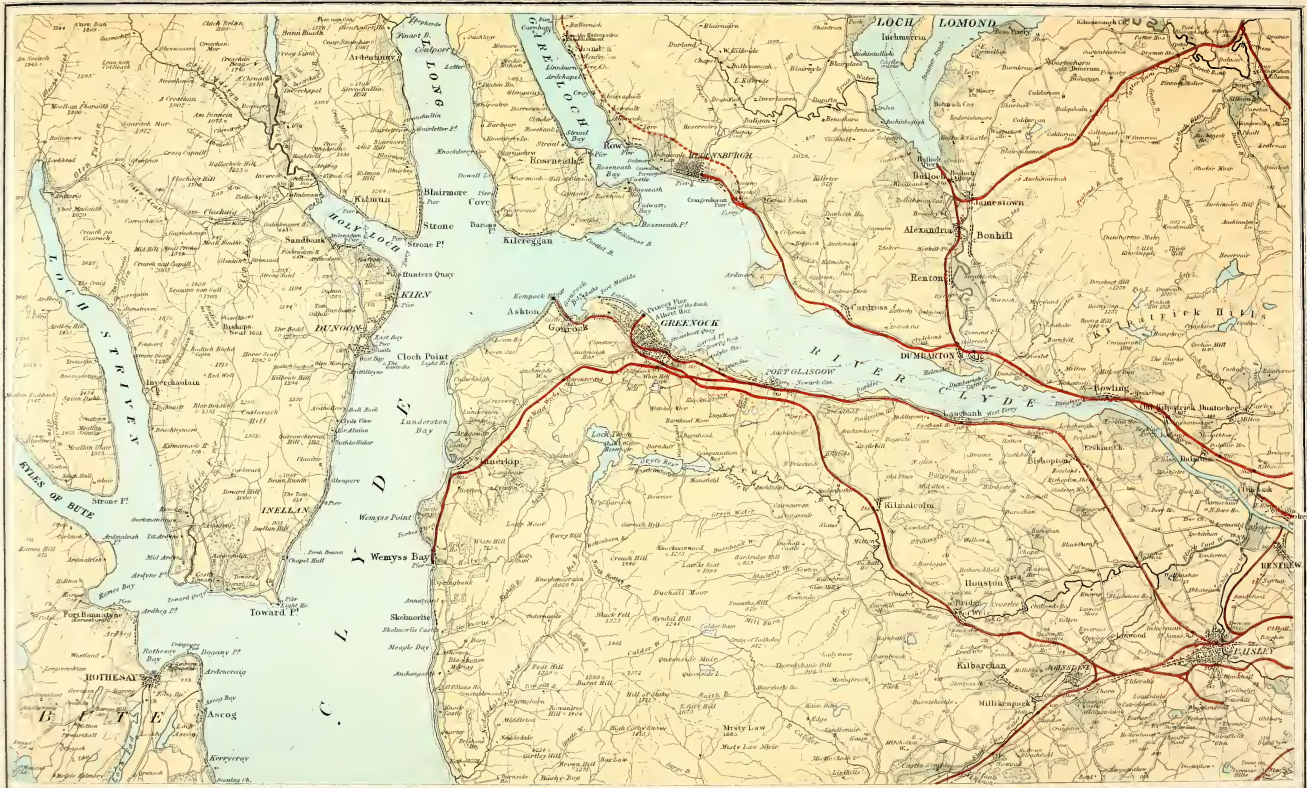
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PLAN OF ABERDEEN

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AAN or AVEN (Gael. *abhainn*, 'river'), a rivulet of the Eastern Grampians, rises on the NW side of Mount Battock, at an altitude of 1700 feet, near the meeting-point of Aberdeen, Kincardine, and Forfar shires. Thence it runs about 10 miles ENE mostly along the boundary between Aberdeen and Kincardine shires, to a confluence with the Fensh, 4 miles SW of Banchory. It flows in a rocky bed, is subject to great freshets, and is open to the public, but affords no very good sport.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 66, 1871.

Abbey, a precinct in Canongate parish, Edinburghshire, adjacent to the foot of the lines of street eastward from the centre of the Old Town of Edinburgh. It contains Holyrood Palace and Abbey, and includes the Queen's Park. First enclosed by James V., it was from ancient times until 1880 a sanctuary for insolvent debtors, a bailie for it being appointed by commission from the Duke of Hamilton, and sitting in a small court-house on the first Saturday of every month. Its population has dwindled since the alteration of the law respecting debtors, and it now has few inhabitants except in connection with Holyrood. The objects of interest, particularly the palace, the abbey, and their adjuncts, are described under EDINBURGH.

Abbey, a *quoad sacra* parish, formed in 1875 out of South Leith and Greenside parishes, Edinburghshire. Its church, on London Road, close to Abbeyhill station, and 1 mile ENE of Edinburgh Post Office, is a Gothic structure, built (1875-76) at a cost of £8000, with 855 sittings, and tower and spire. Behind it is Abbeyhill school (1881); and not far off are London Road U.P. church (1875; 950 sittings), a very good Early English edifice, also with tower and spire, and Abbeyhill Episcopal mission church (1880; 300 sittings) and school. Pop. (1891) 8907.

Abbey, a village formerly of Clackmannanshire, 1½ mile ENE of Stirling, but transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891, along with the reconstituted parish of Logie, to the county of Stirling. It takes its name from the neighbouring abbey of CAMBUSKENNETH, and has a public school, which, with accommodation for 48 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 40, and a grant of £34, 13s.

Abbey or Nungate, a suburb of the town of Haddington, with which it is connected by a bridge of four arches, situated on the left bank of the river Tyne, and so named from a Cistercian nunnery which was founded here in 1178 by Ada, mother of Malcolm IV. It was in this abbey or nunnery that a parliament was convened on the 7th of July, 1548, during the siege of Haddington, when consent was given to the marriage of Queen Mary to the Dauphin of France, and to her being educated at that court. No traces of it now remain.

Abbey, a *quoad sacra* parish in Arbroath and St. Vigeans parishes, Forfarshire, around the ruins of Arbroath Abbey, in the town of Arbroath. Constituted in 1869, it had a population in 1891 of 5737, and is in

the presbytery of Arbroath and synod of Angus and Mearns. The church, erected in 1787 as a chapel of ease, at a cost of about £2000, contained 1281 sittings, but was enlarged by 80 more in 1879. One school under the Arbroath burgh school-board bears the name of Abbey. It has accommodation for 590 children, and had (1891) an average attendance of 589 and a grant of £574, 6s. 11d.

Abbey, a parish of NE Renfrewshire, including part of the town of Paisley while completely surrounding the burgh parishes, and itself called sometimes Abbey Paisley. It also contains the town of Johnstone, the Dovecotthall portion of Barrhead, and the villages of Elderslie, Thorn, Quarrelton, Inkerman, Hurlet, and Nitshill. It is bounded N by Renfrew parish, NE by Govan in Lanarkshire, E by Eastwood, SE and S by Neilston, W by Lochwinnoch, and NW by Kilbarchan. A small semi-detached portion of the parish at the river Cart, and another small detached portion, were in 1891 transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish of Paisley. The White CART winds about 5 miles westward, partly along the eastward boundary, and partly through the interior, to Paisley, thence striking 1½ mile northward into Renfrew parish on its way to the Clyde; at Crookston it is joined by the LEVERN, which from Barrhead traces much of the south-eastern and eastern border. The whole of the north-western border, from Milliken Park to Blackstone House, a distance of 4½ miles, is marked by the Black CART; and all three streams are fed by several burns. NW of Paisley is a mineral spring; and to the SW are the Stanley and Rowbank reservoirs, large artificial sheets of water. The northern part of the parish is almost a perfect level, consisting chiefly of reclaimed moss, and near Boghead being only 13 feet above the sea; but southward one passes through 'a rough and undulating country, with masses of grey crag interspersed with whiny knolls,' to Stanley Moor and the Braes of Gleniffer—the scene of Tannahill's songs,—whose highest point within the Abbey bounds is Sergeautlaw (749 feet). Lesser elevations, from N to S, are Mosspark (159 feet), Carriagehill (147), Dikebarhill (168), Windyhill (312), Bent (637), and Hartfield (723). The soil on the arable lands has great diversity of character, being in some places a vegetable mould derived from moss; in others, especially along the streams, a rich alluvial loam. Generally, however, it is shallow, either clayey or sandy, and overlying a substratum of gravel or till, which, naturally retentive of moisture, has been greatly improved by art. The rocks of these low tracts belong to the Carboniferous Limestone series; those of the hills are various kinds of trap. Numerous collieries and ironstone mines are in operation; and greenstone, sandstone, limestone, aluminous schist, fireclay, and potter's-clay are also extensively worked. The chief antiquity is CROOKSTON CASTLE, and other ruins are STANLEY CASTLE, Stewart's Raiss Tower, and Blackhall House. HAWKHEAD and

Cardonald are ancient mansions; while Johnstone Castle, Ferguslie, Househill, Ralston, Barshaw, and Egypt Park are all of modern erection. This parish is in the presbytery of Paisley and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, and it contains the *quoad sacra* parishes of Elderslie and Johnstone, with almost the whole of Levern. The charge since 1641 has been collegiate; and there are two ministers, the first of whom has an income of £707, and the second of £502. The parish church is that of the ancient abbey, described under PAISLEY, where, as also under ELDELSLIE, JOHNSTONE, and BARRHEAD, other places of worship of various denominations will be noticed. The landward school-board consists of 9 members; and 7 schools under it, with total accommodation for 2378 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 1849, and grants amounting to £1702, 15s. 3d. Abbey parish has its own poor-law administration, and possesses a poor-house and a lunatic asylum for itself, with respective accommodation for 655 and 98 inmates. It is traversed by reaches of the Caledonian and of the Glasgow and South-Western railway. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 17,018; of landward district, 6745. Pop. of civil parish (1801) 14,153, (1861) 29,687, (1871) 30,587, (1881) 34,392, (1891) 42,887, of whom 25,203 were within the burgh.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Abbey, a burn and a small headland in Berwick parish, Kirkcubrightshire. The burn rises near Doon Hill, and runs about 6 miles southward, past Dundrennan Abbey, to the Solway Firth, at the small harbour of Burnfoot. The headland flanks the W side of that harbour, 3½ miles E of the entrance of Kirkcubright Bay.

Abbey, a hill in Abbey St Bathans parish, Berwickshire, 6 miles NNW of Duns. It is one of the Lammermuirs, has a length of about 2 miles, rises to an altitude of 913 feet, and consists of two parts, called Inner and Outer.

Abbey Bathans. See ABBEY ST BATHANS.

Abbey Craig, an abrupt eminence in Logie parish, Stirlingshire, on the N side of the Forth, 1½ mile ENE of Stirling. It rises from a plain of carboniferous rocks; consists at first of sandstones, shales, clay, ironstone, and coarse limestone; afterwards becomes a mass of greenstone, similar to that of Stirling Castle and Craig-rook Rocks; and culminates at a height of 362 feet above the level of the sea. Its limestone has drawn some attention; and its greenstone, in considerable quantity, has been worked into excellent mill-stones. Its form is picturesque; its surface is largely clothed with shrubbery, and traced with winding walks; and its summit commands a magnificent view of the basin of the Forth. It bears marks of an entrenchment formed by the Romans, and renewed by Cromwell; it yielded, about the year 1790, a number of bronze spear-heads; and it was the station of the victorious army of Sir William Wallace in the battle of Stirling, 11 Sept. 1297. A monument to Wallace now crowns a tabular spot adjacent to a precipitous stoop at its W end. It was founded 24 June 1861, but not completed till Sept. 1869, and cost about £18,000. Designed by J. T. Rothead of Glasgow, it has the form of a Scottish baronial tower, surmounted by an architectural crown, measures 36 feet square at the base, and rises to the height of 220 feet from the ground. The actual completion of the monument according to the original design took place on the 25 June 1887, when a colossal statue of the national hero was unveiled by the Marquis of Bute. It is from the studio of Mr D. W. Stevenson, R.S.A., Edinburgh. The monument also contains the Wallace sword (transferred hither from Dumbarton in 1888), and busts of Scott, Watt, Knox, Livingstone, Tannahill, Burns, Adam Smith, Dr Chalmers, Buchanan, Hugh Miller, Bruce, Brewster, and Carlyle. The top is gained by a winding staircase. In 1892 considerable excitement was aroused when it became known that extensive quarrying had been going on at the rock, but Parliament immediately passed an Act for the protection of such places. See the *Rev. C. Rogers' Book of Wallace* (Grampian Club, 1889).

Abbeygreen, a small town in Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire, on the left bank of the river Nethan, 3 furlongs W of Lesmahagow station, and 6 miles SW

of Lanark. Beautifully situated in a pleasant vale, it takes its name from the priory of LESMAHAGOW, and is itself often called Lesmahagow. It stands nearly in the centre of that parish, and contains its post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, under Lanark. There are besides branches of the Royal Bank and British Linen Co. Bank, several insurance offices, the parish church (1804), a Free and a U. P. church. Two public schools, boys' and female industrial, with respective accommodation for 257 and 267 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 180 and 185, and grants of £175, 1s. and £195, 18s. 1d. Business fairs are held on the second or the third Wednesday in May and August, and on the first three Wednesdays of December, and hiring-fairs on the second Wednesday of March and October. Pop. (1891) 1587.

Abbeyhill, an old suburb of Edinburgh, adjacent to the N side of Holyrood gardens, and on the North British railway at the deflection of the northern branch from the main line, about 1 mile E of the centre of Edinburgh. It consists chiefly of the old street, containing one or two houses which may have been residences of the courtiers of Holyrood; and in 1732 it was the death-place of the first Duchess of Gordon. The railway passes it partly on viaducts and partly on embankments. The new thoroughfare from Holyrood to Regent Road, formed for giving better access to Edinburgh than by the old Canongate route, is spanned by one of the viaducts. A station of the name of Abbeyhill is on the northern branch of the railway, in the northern neighbourhood of the old suburb, adjacent to the new suburb on the line of London Road.

Abbey St Bathans, a hamlet and a parish in the Lammermuir district of Berwickshire, took its name partly from a Cistercian nunnery, partly from Baithene, Columba's cousin and successor at Iona. The hamlet lies in a pleasant haugh on the river Whitadder, here spanned by a suspension bridge, and is 4½ miles WSW of Grants House station, under which it has a post office. The nunnery of St Mary was founded towards the close of the 12th century by Ada, countess of Dunbar, was a cell of Berwick, and had an income of £47, but is now represented only by the E and W walls of its chapel, which, originally 58 by 26 feet, was greatly curtailed and modernised about the end of last century. In its altered condition it serves as the parish church, and contains 140 sittings. A school, with accommodation for 72 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 44, and a grant of £49, 3s.

The parish was partly re-erected by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. It had two detached portions, one surrounded by the parish of Cockburnspath, the other separated from the rest of the parish by a detached part of the parish of Longformacus. The first was transferred to the parish of Cockburnspath, while the second was united to the parish of Abbey St Bathans, by the incorporation in it of the separating portion of the parish of Longformacus. Including Abbey Hill (913 feet), Barnside Hill (865), the Camp (803), and several other lower eminences, it yet comprises a good aggregate of fertile and well-cultivated lowland; and while the upper grounds are mostly bare or heathy, the lower slopes are often finely wooded up to a considerable height. The prevailing rocks are Silurian, and a copper-mine was opened in 1828, but soon abandoned. The WHITADDER, winding from W to E, is here a beautiful stream, over 30 feet wide, and here it receives the Monynut Water and the Weir and Eller burns. All abound in trout, and Moor Cottage is a favourite anglers' haunt. Godscroft, of the Monynut, was the demesne of David Hume (1560-1630), historian of the house of Angus. One proprietor holds an annual value of over £2500, another of over £500, two hold each between £100 and £500, and one holds less than £100. The parish is in the presbytery of Duns and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; its minister's income is £190. Pop. (1891) 193.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 33, 34, 1863-64.

Abbeystown. See AIRTH.

Abbey Well, a fountain a little to the E of the parish

church of URQUHART, Elginshire. It is the sole memorial of a Benedictine priory founded by David I. in 1124.

Abbotrule (Lat. *Regula Herveyi*, 'Rule Hervey,' in 1165), a quondam parish of Roxburghshire, divided equally in 1777 between the parishes of Hobkirk and Southdean. It extended about 3 miles along the E bank of the upper part of Rule Water; and its church, annexed to Jedburgh by David I., still stands in ruins 2 miles NE of Hobkirk (*Orig. Paroch. Scot.*, i. 349). The estate of Abbotrule, comprising 2348 acres, was exposed to sale in 1818 at an upset price of £35,000, and now belongs to representatives of the late J. W. B. Cunningham, Esq.

Abbotsford, the mansion erected by Sir Walter Scott in Melrose parish, Roxburghshire. It stands on the right side of the river Tweed, opposite Abbotsford-Ferry station, and 2 miles W of Melrose. Sir Walter purchased its site, together with about 100 surrounding acres, in 1811; he purchased an adjoining tract, up to Cauldshields Loch, in 1813; and in 1817 he made his most extensive purchase, the lands of Tofffield. His original purchase was a plain, coarse, unimproved farm, called Cartley Hole; but it contained a reputed haunt of Thomas the Rhymer; contained also some memorials of the battle of Melrose, and commanded a view across the Tweed of a prominent extant portion of the Caledonian Catrail; and it therefore suited his antiquarian taste. His first care was to find a euphonious name for it, in room of Cartley Hole; and, with allusion to a shallow in the Tweed, which the abbots of Melrose had used for driving across their cattle, he called it Abbotsford. His next care was to build a residence; his next to improve the land. He first built a pretty cottage, and removed to it from Ashiesteel in May 1812; next, between 1817 and 1821, he built the present 'huge baronial pile,' whose internal fittings were not completed till 1824; and he, all the while, carried forward the improving and planting of the land. The mansion stands on a terrace of a steepish bank, between the Tweed and the public road from Melrose to Selkirk. The grounds comprise a tract of meadow at the bank foot, but are chiefly a broad, low hill upward to the southern boundary. Their present features of garden and park, of walk and wood, are much admired, and were all of Sir Walter's own creating. The mansion's precincts comprise umbrageous shrubberies, curious out-houses, a cast-iron balcony walk, a turreted wall, a screen wall of Gothic arched iron fretwork, a front court of about $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in area, and a lofty arched entrance gateway. The mansion itself defies all the rules of architecture, and has singular features and extraordinary proportions, yet looks both beautiful and picturesque, and is truly 'a romance in stone and lime.' It presents bold gables, salient sections, projecting windows, hanging turrets, and surmounting towers, in such numbers and in such diversity of style and composition and ornament, as to bewilder the eye of any ordinary observer. Many of its designs and parts are copies of famous old architectural objects, as a gateway from Linnithgow Palace, a portal from Edinburgh Old Tolbooth, a roof from Roslin Chapel, a mantelpiece from Melrose Abbey, oak-work from Holyrood Palace, and sculptured stones from ancient houses in various parts of Scotland; so that they make the mansion also a sort of architectural museum. The entrance-hall is a magnificent apartment, about 40 feet long, floored with mosaic of black and white marble, panelled with richly-carved oak from Dunfermline Palace, and tastefully hung with pieces of ancient armour. A narrow arched room extends across the house, gives communication from the entrance-hall to the dining-room and the drawing-room, and contains a rich collection of ancient small weapons and defensive arms. The dining-room has a richly-carved black oak roof, a large projecting window, Gothic furniture, and a fine collection of pictures, and is the apartment in which Sir Walter died. The drawing-room is cased with cedar, and contains beautiful antique ebony chairs, presented by George IV., and several chastely-carved cabinets. The library is entered from the drawing-room; measures 60 feet by 50; is roofed with richly-carved oak, after ancient

models; and contains about 20,000 volumes in carved oak cases, an ebony writing-desk presented by George III., two carved elbow chairs presented by the Pope, a silver urn presented by Lord Byron, Chantrey's bust of Sir Walter, and a copy of the Stratford bust of Shakespeare. The study, in which Sir Walter wrote, is a small, plain, sombre room, entered from the library; and, after Sir Walter's death, was fitted up as an oratory. A closet is attached to the study, and contains, within a glass-case on a table, the clothes which Sir Walter wore as a member of the Celtic Society, the forest accoutrements which he used to carry in his strolls through his grounds, and the hat, coat, vest, and trousers which he wore immediately before his death.

'Ah! where are now the flashing eye
That fired at Flodden field,
That saw, in fancy, onsets fierce,
And clashing spear and shield,—
The eager and uturing step
That sought for Border lore,
To make old Scotland's heroes known
On every peopled shore,—
The graphic pen that drew at once
The traits so archly shown
In Bertram's faithful pedagogue,
And haughty Marmion,—
The hand that equally could paint,
With each proportion fair,
The stern, the wild Meg Merrilies,
And lovely Lady Clare,—
The glowing dreams of bright romance
That shot across his brow,—
Where is his daring chivalry,
Where are his visions now?'

The mansion passed in 1853 to Mr J. Hope Scott, who had married Sir Walter's granddaughter, and added a Roman Catholic domestic chapel; from him it passed, also by marriage, to the Hon. Jos. Constable Maxwell-Scott.

Abbotshall, a coast parish, S. Fifeshire, containing the Linktown or southern suburb of KIRKCALDY (incorporated with that burgh in 1876), and bounded W, NW, and N by Auchterderran, E by Kirkcaldy and for $\frac{1}{2}$ mile by the Firth of Forth, S by Kinghorn, and SW by Auchtertool. Irregular in outline, it has a varying length from E to W of 7 furlongs and 32 miles, an extreme breadth from N to S of 3 miles, and an area of 4189 acres, of which nearly 60 are foreshore and 25 water. Two detached portions of this parish (respectively 27 acres and 4 acres in extent), which were wholly surrounded by the parish of Kirkcaldy, were in 1891 transferred to that parish by the Boundary Commissioners. The surface, low and level near the coast, rises gently, westward and north-westward, to 233 feet beyond Balwearie, 400 near Raith House, 399 near Chapel, 500 near Torbain, and 484 beyond Lambswell, in the furthest west. Streams there are none of any size, only Tiel Burn and another, feeding the beautiful lake before Raith House, which was formed in 1812. The rocks are partly eruptive, partly belong to the Limestone Carboniferous system; and sandstone and limestone, the latter abounding in fossils, are quarried extensively, but no coal has been recently worked. The soil towards the shore is fertile, though light, growing good turnips and barley; further inland is mostly dark or clay loam, well adapted for wheat and beans and other heavy crops; and further still is chiefly of inferior quality, on a cold, tilly subsoil. About four-fifths of the whole area are in tillage, and one-sixth more is under wood. BALWEARIE Tower is the principal antiquity, only a large yew tree marking the site of the hall or pleasure of the abbots of Dunfermline, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile W of the church, from which the parish received its name. Raith Hill, too, crowned by a conspicuous square tower, has yielded some ancient urns and rude stone coffins. William Adam, architect (flo. 1728), and General Sir Ronald C. Ferguson (1773-1841), were natives, the Fergusons having held the Raith estate since 1707, and the Melvilles before them since 1296 and earlier. Raith House, $\frac{1}{3}$ mile W of Kirkcaldy, is a good old mansion, originally built by George, first Earl of Melville, in 1694, with modern Ionic portico and wings, and with finely-wooded grounds and park. The present proprietor owns 7135 acres in the shire.

valued at £13,919 (minerals, £1582) per annum; and Mr Davidson of Bogie House, a castellated mansion $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of the town, owns 398 acres, valued at £817. Five other proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 15 of between £100 and £500, 12 of from £50 to £100, and 65 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Kirkcaldy and synod of Fife, Abbotshall was disjoined from Kirkcaldy in 1620, but has itself given off a southern portion to the *quoad sacra* parish of INVERTIEL; its minister's income is £313. The parish church (rebuilt 1788; 825 sittings) stands $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of Kirkcaldy, and there is also a Free church, whilst a public school at Chapel village, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW, with accommodation for 149 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 86, and a grant of £67, 13s. Valuation (1891) £5794, 19s. 5d., (1892) £5706, 19s. 8d. Total pop. (1821) 3267, (1851) 5030, (1871) 5785, 674 of them in landward portion, (1881) 6435; for 1891 see KIRKCALDY.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Abbotshaugh, a quondam abbey, now quite obliterated, near Grangemouth, in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire. The grange or home farm of it gave name to the Grange Burn, and through that to Grangemouth.

Abbot's Isle, a small green island in the bay of Stonefield, on the S side, and towards the foot, of Loch Etive, Muckairn parish, Argyllshire.

Abbotarule. See **ABBOTRULE**.

Abbot's Tower, an ancient ivy-clad square ruin, over 40 feet high, stands about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile ENE of Sweetheart Abbey in Newabbey parish, Kirkeudbrightshire.

Abbot's Walls, the ruins of a summer residence of the abbots of Arbroath, in Nigg parish, Kincardineshire, on the haugh opposite Aberdeen.

Abb's Head, St. a bold rocky promontory in Coldingham parish, Berwickshire, 4 miles NNW of Eyemouth. It presents a wall-like front to the German Ocean nearly 200 feet high; rises to an extreme height of 310 feet; has three summits—Kirkhill on the E, Harelaw in the middle, Fowlis on the W; and is separated from the mainland by a vale or gully, anciently spanned by a bridge. The neighbouring rocks are Silurian, strangely contorted; but St Abb's itself is porphyritic trap, a portion of which, smoothed, grooved, and serrated by glacial action, was laid bare for the inspection of the Berwickshire Naturalists' Club in 1866, and has been left exposed. On Harelaw is a lighthouse, erected in 1861, and showing a flashing light every 10 seconds, visible for 21 miles, and a fog signal; while at Petticowick, its landing-place, where the precipice is 300 feet high, occurs a beautiful example of the junction of the trap and Silurian rocks. Numerous caves pierce the cliffs, are inaccessible by land, and can be approached by sea only at low water and in the calmest weather, and were formerly haunts of smugglers. This headland was named after St Ebba, daughter of King Ethelfrid, and half-sister of Oswald and Oswy, kings of Northumbria, who about the middle of the 7th century founded upon its 'nabs' the monastery of *Urbs Coludi* (Sax. *Coldingaham*), and as its abbess ruled until her death, 25 Aug. 683. It was a double monastery, containing distinct communities of men and women, who lived under her single government; and the neck of land on which it stood was cut off and rendered impregnable by a high wall and a deep trench; but the building itself was probably very humble, with walls of wood and clay, and thatch of straw. Hither St Cuthbert came in 661 on a visit to Ebba, and spent the best part of the night in prayer and vigils, entering the sea till the water reached to his arms and neck, while seals came nesting to his side. Here, too, in 671, Ethelreda, foundress of Ely, received the veil from St Wilfrid; and here the monk Adaman foretold the impending doom of 'fire from heaven' that burned the house for its sins in 679. Rebuilt for women only, it was sacked by the Danes in 870, when the nuns, to preserve their honour, cut off their noses and lips. The trench and some grassy mounds are all that now mark its site, a ruined chapel on the Kirkhill dating only from the 14th century. See art. **EBBA** in vol. ii. of *Smith's Dict. Christ. Biog.* (Lond. 1880).

Abden, an estate, with a plain old mansion, in Kinghorn parish, Fife. It long was the property of the Crown, and had a royal residence, the remains of which were removed only in the present century. A rock opposite the mansion exhibits rapid gradual transition from sandstone to quartz.

Abdie (13th c. *Ebedyn*—i.e. *abthen* or *abden*, 'abbey lands'), a parish of NE Fife, on the Firth of Tay, contains the Mount Pleasant suburb of NEWBURGH, its post-town and station, and also the villages of Lindores and Grange of Lindores. Till 1633 it included the present parish of Newburgh, by which and by Dunbog it was, until 1891, cut into three distinct portions. The middle and largest of these was 4 miles long by 3, and now forms the complete parish of Abdie; the smallest, 3 furlongs to the W, and on the Perthshire border, measured $1\frac{1}{2}$ by $\frac{3}{4}$ mile, and was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 to Newburgh parish; and the third, 1 mile to the E, had an equal length and breadth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and was transferred to Dunbog parish. The chief elevations from W to E are Lumbenny (889 feet), Golden Hill (600), Braeside (563), Woodmill Mains (656), the Mains of Lindores (580), and Norman's Law (558). Some of these are crowned with plantations, but much of the highest ground is mere hill-pasture, dotted with heath and gorse. On their ascents, a deep black soil alternates with a light and gravelly one of very inferior quality; along the Tay lies a rich alluvium, like that of the Carse of Gowrie, and fields have been here reclaimed from the Firth within the last 60 years. Devonian rocks form part of the basement, and include a limestone and red sandstone, which formerly were worked. Trap rocks also occur, and are quarried at several points for building and paving purposes. The largest sheet of water is Lindores Loch, near the centre of the parish, which, nearly 4 miles in circumference, is fed by the Priest's Burn, and sends off the Den rivulet to the Tay. The pike and perch, with which this loch abounded, were netted out in August 1880, with a view to stocking it with trout. At its foot is the site of a castle, called Macduff; and 'Wallace's Camp,' $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the Firth, preserves the memory of the victory of Black Inryside, said to have been gained over Aymer de Valence, Earl of Pembroke, in 1298. Earlier antiquities than these are a barrow known as Watchman's Tower, the hill-fort of Dunmore on Norman's Law, and a stronghold on the picturesque Craig of Clachard, whose six westward ramparts are from 5 to 6 feet high. The roofless church of St Magrindin, on the loch's western margin, was consecrated in 1242, and contains a 14th-century foliated tombstone; a female recumbent effigy; and, in the Denmiln Aisle (1661), some monuments of the Balfours of Denmiln Castle, which, now in ruins, was the seat of that family from 1452 to 1710. As such it was the birthplace of Sir James Balfour (1603-57), herald, analyst, and antiquary, and of his brother, Sir Andrew (1630-94), physician and founder of Edinburgh's first botanical garden. Modern mansions are Inchrye Abbey, a castellated building, and Lindores House; 4 proprietors holding each an annual value of £1000 and upwards, 1 of £500, 2 of £400, 2 of between £200 and £300, etc. The eastern portion of Abdie had, previous to 1891, been annexed for church, school, and registration purposes to Dunbog; the remainder constitutes an ecclesiastical parish, in the presbytery of Cupar and synod of Fife. The church is a plain edifice, seating 550, and erected in 1827 at a cost of £1200; the minister's income is £324. There is also a Free church for Abdie and Newburgh jointly; and at Grange of Lindores is a school, which, with accommodation for 152 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 66, and a grant of £59. Valuation (1892) £6011, 0s. 11d. Pop. of civil parish (1841) 1508, (1871) 1164, (1891) 900; of g.s. parish (1871) 1057, (1891) 778. See *Alex. Laing, Lindores Abbey and Newburgh*.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Aber, a hamlet in Kilmarnock parish, Dumbartonshire, on the SE shore of Loch Lomond, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Kilmarnock station. An islet in the loch, 1 mile N of the hamlet, bears the same name.

Aberarder, a hamlet and an estate in Daviot and Dunlichity parish, Inverness-shire, on the river Nairn, 15 miles S by W of Inverness, under which it has a post office.

Aberarder, a glen on the left side of the valley of the Dee, in Aberdeenshire, between Craithie and Invercauld. It strikes laterally from the Dee Valley, and affords a fine vista view to Benavon (3843 feet), a conspicuous summit of the Cairngorm mountains.

Aberargie or **Aberdargie**, a village in the W of Abernethy parish, Perthshire, at the mouth of Glenfarg, 4 miles ESE of Bridge of Earn, with a post office under Abernethy.

Aberbrothwick. See **ABERROATH**.

Abercainrye, the seat of Colonel Home Drummond Moray, in Fowls-Wester parish, Perthshire, stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of a station of its own name on the Caledonian, which station is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Crieff. The present mansion—a splendid Gothic edifice—was building in 1842, when on 12 Sept. the Queen 'got out a moment to look at it;' and it was enlarged in 1873. The surrounding estate has belonged to the Morays since 1299, when Sir John Moray de Drumsargard wedded Mary, sole daughter of Malise, Earl of Strathern; its present holder owns 24,980 acres in the shire, of £14,311, 9s. annual value. Conspicuous in the beautiful grounds are a Spanish chestnut, a sycamore, and a bare gaunt ash tree, 90 feet high, and girthing 20 at 3 feet from the ground.

Aberchalder, a locality on the Caledonian Canal, in Inverness-shire, and on the river Oich, 5 miles SW of Fort Augustus. A regulating lock is on the canal here, to secure adjacent navigable minimum depth of 20 feet. Aberchalder House was the place where Prince Charles Edward mustered 2000 men (26 Aug. 1745) before commencing his march toward the low country.

Aberchalder Wester, an estate conjoint with Aberarder, in Daviot and Dunlichity parish, Inverness-shire.

Aberchirder (Gael. *abhír-chíar-dúr*, 'confluence of the dark brown water'), a police burgh in Marnoch parish, Banffshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Cornhill station, 7 W by N of Turriff, and $9\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Banff. It has a post office with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the North of Scotland Bank, and an hotel; and contains, besides, an Established mission church (200 attendants; minister's salary £51), a handsome Free church (built on occasion of the Disruption contest in Marnoch), a U.P. church, a Baptist chapel, St Marnan's Episcopal church (1824; enlarged and restored, 1875-76; 130 attendants), and a Roman Catholic station, served monthly from Portsoy. A public and an Episcopal school, with respective accommodation for 471 and 99 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 166 and 85, and grants of £145, 17s. and £72, 18s. The name Aberchirder, originally borne by the whole parish, referred probably to the moss-burn of Auchintoul's confluence with the Deveron. Pop. (1861) 1273, (1871) 1312, (1881) 1358, (1891) 1222.

Abercorn, a village and a coast parish of Linnithgowshire. Lying 4 mile inland, near the confluence of the Cornie and Midhope Burns, the village,—a pretty little place, nestling among trees and gardens on the verge of a high bank,—is $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles W of its post-town South Queensferry, and 3 NNW of Winchburgh station. Here stood most probably the monastery of Aebbercornig or Eoriercorn, founded about 675 under St Wilfrid as a central point for the administration of the northern part of his diocese, which included the province of the Picts, held in subjection by the Angles of Northumbria. Trumuin made this monastery the seat of his bishopric, the earliest in Scotland, from 681 to 685, when the Picts' victory at Dunnichen forced him to flee to Whitby (Skene, *Celt. Scot.*, i. 262-268, and ii. 224). And here still stands the ancient parish church, refitted in 1579, and thoroughly repaired in 1838, with a Norman doorway turned into a window, a broken cross, and a stone coffin lid, but minus a carved pew-back that found its way to the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum in 1876.

The parish contains also the hamlets of Philipston, 2½

miles SW of Abercorn village, and Society, on the coast, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile E by N. It is bounded N for $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles by the Firth of Forth (here $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles wide), E by Dalmeny, SE by Kirkliston, S by the Auldcaithie portion of Dalmeny and by Ecclesmachan, SW by Linnithgow, and W by Carriden, from which it is parted by the Black Burn. It has a length from E to W of from $3\frac{1}{4}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme breadth from N to S of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 5265 acres, of which 293 are water. Low swelling hills diversify the surface, but nowhere rise much above 300 feet; the streams are small, even for rivulets. Yet 'the scenery,' says Mr Thomas Farrall, 'is strikingly picturesque, the seaboard being richly wooded, the fields highly cultivated and of great fertility. The castellated mansion of Hopetoun enjoys a commanding prospect, having on one side the blue sea, and on the other green fields, with the Pentland Hills in the background. The soil in this quarter is variable but fertile; the substratum is still more changeable, consisting of patches of till, gravel, sand, limestone, and sandstone. So early as the 17th century wheat was grown, rents being paid in considerable part by this commodity. What draining was required was mainly accomplished before 1800, and a large extent of land was planted and ornamented with clumps and belts of trees' (*Trans. Highl. and Ag. Soc.*, 1877). To this need only be added that sandstone, whinstone, and limestone are extensively worked, but that a small colliery is now disused. The Anglo-Norman knight, Sir William de Graham, ancestor of the Dukes of Montrose, received from David I. (1124-53) the lands of Abercorn, which came by marriage to Sir Reginald Mure, chamberlain of Scotland in 1329. In 1454 the Castle was taken by James II. from the ninth and last Earl of Douglas, and its only vestige is a low green mound, fronting the church and manse; whereas Midhope Tower, bearing a coronet and the initials J. Ljivingstone, stands almost perfect, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SW. At present there are titularly connected with this parish Sir Bruce Maxwell Seton of Abercorn, eighth baronet since 1648, and the Duke of Abercorn, eldest surviving male heir of the Hamilton line, who takes from it his title of Baron (1603) and Earl (1606) in the peerage of Scotland, of Marquess (1790) in that of Great Britain, and of Duke (1868) in that of Ireland. The manions are HOPETOON HOUSE, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of the village, and BINNS HOUSE, 2 miles WSW; the property is divided between the Earl of Hopetoun and Mrs E. G. C. Dalryell. Abercorn is traversed in the south for $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles by the North British railway, and for $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile by the Union Canal. It is in the presbytery of Linnithgow and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the minister's income is £364. There is also a Free church; and a public and a girl's school (Gen. As.), with respective accommodation for 216 and 64 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 136 and 54, and grants of £104, 14s. and £40, 7s. Valuation, £3164, 15s. Pop. (1801) 814, (1821) 1044, (1871) 933, (1891) 863.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857.

Abercrombie (Gael. 'curved confluence'), or **St Monans**, a coast parish of SE Fife, containing the hamlet of Abercrombie, and, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSE, the fishing village and burgh of barony of St Monans. The latter has a station on the North British, $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles WSW of Anstruther, and 16 E by N of Thornton junction, and a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments. It contains, besides, the parish church, a Free church, gas-works, and a town-hall; and is governed by a provost, 2 bailies, a treasurer, and 12 councillors. A good harbour, partly natural and partly formed by a strong pier constructed in 1865, accommodates three or four trading vessels, and about 100 large fishing-boats belonging to the port, but is seldom frequented by strangers; and the herring fishery, a principal employment of the villagers, is now restricted to the neighbouring waters, no longer extending to the Caithness coast. Pop. (1851) 1241, (1871) 1648, (1881) 1918, (1891) 1864.

The parish is bounded W, NW, and NE by Carnbee, E by Pittenweem, SE by the Firth of Forth (here $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles wide, to North Berwick Links), and SW by Elie

and Kilconquhar. It has an extreme length from NNW to SSE of $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, a width of from 1 to $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and an area of 1282 acres, of which 79 are foreshore. Rising abruptly from a low rocky beach, the surface shows some diversities, but on the whole is flat, and nowhere much exceeds 100 feet of elevation. DREEL Burn traces the north-eastern boundary, and Inweary or St Monans Burn follows the south-western, to within 5 furlongs of its influx to the Firth at the western extremity of St Monans village. The rocks belong to the Carboniferous formation, and coal, limestone, and ironstone have all been worked; the soil is chiefly a light friable loam, with very little clay, and of great fertility. BALCASKIE Park extends over the NE corner of the parish, and in it stands the ruined church of Abercrombie, disused for upwards of two centuries, but still the Anstruthers' burying-place. On the coast, at the SW angle, is the ruinous mansion of Newark, where General David Leslie, first Lord Newark, resided till his death in 1682; and another family connected with the parish was that of the Sandilands, Lords Abercrombie from 1647 to 1681. At present 2 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 or upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, 3 of from £50 to £100, and 22 of from £20 to £50. Including the barony of St Monans since 1646, Abercrombie is in the presbytery of St Andrews and synod of Fife; its minister's income is £172. According to the legend of St Adrian (given under Isle of MAY), Monanus, born in Pannonia, a province of Hungary, preached the gospel at Inverry or Abercrombie, and after his martyrdom was there enshrined. Skene, however, identifying Monanus with Moineus, Bishop of Clonfert (d. 571), holds that his relics were brought about 845 from Ireland to Fife, and deposited in a church erected to his honour (*Celt. Scot.*, ii. 311-317). Legend again relates how David II., praying before St Monans' tomb, was freed miraculously of a barbed arrow, and for thanks-offering founded about 1362 the stately cruciform church, which a century later James III. bestowed on the Dominicans. Standing at the burn's mouth, and built in the Second Pointed style, this church was partly destroyed by the English in 1544, and now retains only its stunted central tower, crowned by a low octagonal spire, its transept, and its choir; the last measures 53 by 22½ feet, and 'renovated and improved' in 1772 and 1828, serves as the parish church, being seated for 528 worshippers. Features of special interest are the sedilia, a good pointed doorway, and the reticulated pattern of some of the windows. There are a public and a General Assembly school, the former having accommodation for 430 children, an average attendance of 325, and a grant of £289, 10s. 8d. Valuation (1891) £5867, 16s. Pop. (1801) 852, (1831) 1110, (1861) 1498, (1871) 1761, (1881) 2054, (1891) 1998.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 41, 1857.

Aberdalgie (*Abirdalgya* in 1150, Gael. *abhirdail-chinn*, 'confluence at the end of the field'), a parish in the Strathearn district of Perthshire, whose SW angle is $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NE of Forteviot station, while its church stands $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile NW of Forgandenny station, immediately beyond its SE border, these stations on the Caledonian being respectively $6\frac{3}{4}$ and $8\frac{3}{4}$ miles SW of its post-town, Perth. Including, since 1618, the ancient parish of DUFFLIN, it is bounded NW and N by Tibbermore, NE by East-Kirk, Perth, E by a detached portion of Forteviot, S by Forgandenny, and SW and W by Forteviot. It has an extreme length from N to S of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width of $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and an area of 4220 acres, of which 55 are water. The EARN, here a beautiful salmon river, roughly traces all the southern boundary; from it the surface rises to 433 feet near the middle of the parish, thence sinking again towards the Almond, but having elevations of 367 and 222 feet on the north-western, and of 362 feet near the north-eastern boundary. The rocks belong to the Devonian system, and freestone is worked in several quarries; the soil is cold and tilly in the N, in the S a rich loam or clay. The Earl of Kinnoull owns most of the property, and his park around Dupplin Castle occupies the south-western quar-

ter of the parish, plantations covering much of the remainder. Near the church, but on the opposite side of a rivulet, from whose confluence with the Earn the parish received its name, is Aberdalgie House, the only other mansion. This parish is in the presbytery of Perth and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £177. The church was built in 1773, and a vault at its E end is the burying-place of the Kinnoull family. The public school, with accommodation for 101 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 35, and a grant of £44, 15s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £4049, 8s. 3d. Pop. (1831) 434, (1861) 295, (1871) 342, (1881) 297, (1891) 280.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Aberdargie. See ABERARGIE.

Aberdeen, the 'Granite City,' capital of Aberdeenshire, seat of a university, and chief town and seaport in the North of Scotland, lies in lat. $57^{\circ} 9' N$, and long. $2^{\circ} 6' W$, on both banks of the Dee, at its entrance into the German Ocean. It is both a royal and a parliamentary burgh, comprising all the district between the rivers Dee and Don for 3 miles inland—the royal burgh, by a recent Act, having been made co-extensive with the parliamentary burgh. The municipal burgh as extended now includes the police burghs of Old Aberdeen and Woodside, and the districts of Torry and Ruthrieston. By this Act the city is made to embrace a portion of the county of Kincardine and of the parish of Nigg situated at Torry, and it has been proposed that the city should be placed wholly in the county of Aberdeen by transferring to that county the Kincardine portion. Aberdeen is 98 miles NNE of Edinburgh as the crow flies, 111 by road, and $130\frac{1}{2}$ by rail (*via* Tay and Forth Bridges; $135\frac{1}{2}$ *via* Perth and Stirling). By the North British or the Caledonian it is 42 miles N by E of Montrose, $73\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Dundee, $89\frac{1}{2}$ NE by N of Perth, $152\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Glasgow, 528 NNW of London; by the Great North of Scotland it is $43\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Ballater, $29\frac{1}{2}$ ESE of Alford, $44\frac{1}{2}$ S by W of Peterhead, $47\frac{1}{2}$ S of Fraserburgh, $53\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Keith, $80\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Elgin, $108\frac{1}{2}$ ESE of Inverness, and $202\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Thurso. By sea it has regular steamboat communication southwards with Edinburgh, Newcastle, Hull, and London, northwards with Wick, Thurso, Orkney, Shetland, the Hebrides, Glasgow, and Liverpool.

The city stands on four eminences—Castle Hill (80 feet), School Hill (65), Woolman Hill (58), and Port Hill (100), and its highest points are Cairnery (446 feet), Woodhill (340), and Stocket Hill (320). Naturally bleak and tame, its environs have little of the picturesque that distinguishes Inverness, Perth, Stirling, and Edinburgh; but they contain a few good features which have been highly improved by art. The approach by sea lies along a bleak, sandy coast, with low rocks and long reefs in the foreground, and a tame unfeatured surface in the rear, and becomes interesting only at the point of sudden ingress among the crowded shipping of the harbour. The land approach from the south is singularly repulsive, traversing a broad, moorish outskirt of the Grampians, till it bursts at once on a near view of the Dee and the city. The contrast by either of these approaches, between the near and distant scenes, is very striking, and never fails to make a strong impression upon strangers. Both the city and its surroundings, as first beheld, are very beautiful. Nor do the main thoroughfares, when entered, disappoint the first impression, but rather confirm and deepen it. Union Street especially, with its continuation Castle Street, appears enchanting; and every travelled visitor will readily say with the author of *The Land We Live In*, that 'it possesses all the stability, cleanliness, and architectural beauties of the London west-end streets, with the gaiety and brilliancy of the Parisian atmosphere.' Walks in various directions through the city, disclose great diversity of structure and character, and three walks of 4 or 5 miles each among the environs are highly interesting. The first of the three goes to Old Aberdeen, up the Don past Grandholm, and through Woodside, and returns to the city by the Inverness road; the second leads by the Lunatic Asylum to

Stocket Hill, where the best general view of the city and the surrounding country is obtained, proceeds thence to the great granite quarries of Rubislaw, and returns by the Skene turnpike road; and the third goes south-westward to the Old Bridge of Dee, passes down the right bank of the river to Girdleness Lighthouse, and crosses by the ferry to Footdee.

The city's alignment, structure, and extent are greatly different now from what they were of old. It now has many noble streets in all directions, and numerous fine parallel or intersecting ones, together with spacious and imposing outlets; but, till near the end of last century, Aberdeen was just an assemblage of narrow, ill-built, badly arranged thoroughfares, without any good openings into the country. It probably began with a few rude huts, near the spot where the Alhambra now stands; it next seems to have occupied the neighbourhood of the Castle and the Green, and gradually extended in the direction of Shiprow, Exchequer Row, and the S side of Castlegate. In 1336 it was almost totally destroyed by an English army under Edward III.; but it soon rose from its ruins and spread over the eminences of Castle Hill, St Catherine's Hill, and Woolman Hill. Then it was that the city took the name of New Aberdeen, as it is sometimes called; not in contradistinction to the kirk town of Old Machar, now called Old Aberdeen, but to its own old town destroyed by the English. Yet even the new town, with the exception of its public buildings, was rude, irregularly arranged, and unsubstantial. Stone houses, so late as 1545, were possessed exclusively by grandees; and even down to 1741 wooden houses formed the W side of Broadgate. A large fenny marsh, the Loch, occupied till the latter part of last century much of the site to the W of Gallowgate, and the very best streets till then were narrow, uneven, and paved with cobble-stones; the parts most favourable to drainage and ventilation were crowded and filthy; and the thoroughfares leading to the Dee and to the North were steep, rough, narrow, and malodorous. But about the end of last century a great change began, that rapidly gave the city grand new features, and at the same time set its finest old ones in advantageous lights. First, a street was opened from Broad Street to North Street. Next, Marischal Street was opened from Castle Street to the Quay; and, though rather inconveniently steep, it is interesting, both as still a great thoroughfare from the heart of the city to the harbour, and as the first Aberdeen street that was paved with dressed stones. Then a new and important exit to the NW was formed by opening George Street through the middle of the Loch, to communicate with a new turnpike road to Inverury. And two grand new exits were made from the middle of the town at Castle Street by respectively Union Street to the W and King Street to the N, and these were estimated by the engineer to cost the town about £42,000, but actually cost it £171,280. Contemporaneously with these improvements and subsequently to them, onward till now, other great improvements, of various kinds and aggregately very costly, have been made, and will be mentioned in our notices of public buildings, public works, and the harbour. Yet the very improvements, or at least the openings for the new streets, and the clearing for some public buildings, together with the forming of railways, have produced the evils of placing grandeur and meanness side by side, and of greatly augmenting the density of the poorer population. No fewer than some 60 narrow lanes and about 168 courts and closes, of an average breadth of at most 7 feet, still exist; these are mostly situated in the immediate or near vicinity of fine new streets. Nevertheless, the death-rate per 1000 diminished from 22.5 during 1867-72, to 20.7 during 1881-90, being thus below the average of the eight large Scotch towns. The mean temperature is 45° 8', the average yearly rainfall 31.65 inches.

The city extends about 2½ miles southward, from Woodside to Torry, and about 2¼ miles westward from Footdee to Skene Road; and measures about 7½ miles in circumference; but it is thoroughly compact over only

about 1½ by 1½ mile. The modern streets run so nearly in parallels or at right angles to one another, as to show readily the incongruities at their junctions with the old thoroughfares, and some of them have been constructed in a way of incongruity with themselves, a poor street being placed between two rich ones, as Gordon Street between Dee and Bon Accord Streets. The general appearance, however, is redeemed, partly by the character of the building material, partly by the large aggregate of gardens, but chiefly by the spaciousness and elegance of the main streets. The edifices, both public and private, are for the most part constructed of a very fine granite from the neighbouring quarries; and those of the principal modern streets are so clean, so massive, so uniformly surfaced, and reflect the light so clearly from the glittering mica of the granite, as to look, on a sunny day, as if they had just been hewn and polished from the rocks upon which they stand. Gardens are attached to many of the houses even in the compacter parts of the city, and to almost all in the suburbs, so that, even in the absence of any such spacious gardens as intersect the New Town of Edinburgh, they produce an effect of airiness and well-being. The view along Union Street westward is one of the finest in any city in the world, suggesting to the imagination the tombs of Thebes, the Cyclopean walls, or the marble temples of ancient Greece, and at the same time having beauties of its own. This street is 1077 yards long, or, with its eastward and westward continuations—Castle Street and Union Place—1516 yards, with a breadth of 70 feet. Spacious, straight, and lined on both sides with elegant buildings, public and private, it runs on a higher level than the portions of the town on its southern flank, so as to command a pleasant prospect over them to the S side of the Dee. By Union Bridge it is carried over the ravine of the Den Burn, which formerly caused considerable inconvenience to traffic, and the Great North of Scotland railway. A main line of streets, 1597 yards long, and called successively St Nicholas Street and George Street, strikes northwards to the country from Union street, at a point 320 yards E of the bridge, and, for the most part, is finely edified. Market Street strikes southward, at a point nearly opposite St Nicholas Street; is 200 yards long, spacious, and moderately steep; leads direct to the station and the harbour; and, since 1864, has been considerably re-edified with houses of a superior character. Broad Street (425 yards) runs nearly parallel to St Nicholas Street, striking off at the mergeance of Union Street into Castle Street; is adorned by Marischal College; and passes, at its N end, into line with Gallowgate (600 yards). Castle Street expands from the E end of Union Street, forms a quadrangle about 203 yards long and 43 wide, takes its name from an ancient fortress which stood on a rising ground at its E end, is rich in public ornamental structures, and forms one of the most striking market-places and centres of business in the world. King Street goes northward from the eastern part of Castle Street; is 1186 yards long, and spacious; contains several handsome public buildings; and presents, on the whole, an aspect little inferior to that of Union Street. Rubislaw Terrace, Queen's Terrace, and several new streets in the extreme W, are superior to anything of their class in the aristocratic quarter of almost any town in Scotland; and the other modern streets, whilst challenging no special notice, may be described in the aggregate as equal at least to the second and third class streets of most stone-built towns in Britain. Few houses, or parts of houses, remain to show the Aberdeen style of domestic architecture in former centuries; yet enough are standing to interest both the architect and the antiquary. A building, called Wallace Tower, having in a niche a rude and very ancient effigy of Wallace, and said to have been occupied as a hostelry, stands in Nether Kirkgate; and another old tenement, known as Mar's Castle, with a diminutive crenelated and corbelled gable, circular staircase, and small square openings for windows stands in Gallowgate, and bears date 1494. The two have strong generic likeness to one another, and chal-

lunge more attention from antiquaries than many old buildings elsewhere of higher note. Every remaining specimen of the domestic architecture of the later part of last century is entirely commonplace; but No. 64 Broad Street possesses interest as the place where Lord Byron passed his earliest boyhood (1790-98) under his mother's care. Thackeray visited it when lecturing in Aberdeen on *The Four Georges*.

The plain old town-house was built in 1730, and the court-house adjoining in 1818; but in 1865 it was resolved to occupy their site with a new suit of county and municipal buildings, which, commenced in 1867 at an estimated cost of £69,000, were completed at a cost of £80,000 and upwards. Designed by Messrs Peddie & Kinnear, of Edinburgh, in the Scottish Baronial style of the 16th century, with French and Belgian features, they form a four-storied, Kemnay granite pile 64 feet high, presenting one frontage to Castle Street of 225, and one to Broad Street of 109 feet; along both façades runs a basement arcade of columns, at 12 feet intervals, supporting elliptical arches, and surmounted by a second and smaller arcaded range. At the streets' junction stands the magnificent clock-tower, 28 feet square and 72 feet high, with corner pepper-box turrets 36 feet more; and, over all, a lantern gablet, culminating in a vane at the height of 190 feet. To the east stands the chief relic of the former town-house—its lead-covered spire, with a height of 120 feet. Within are the vestibule and the grand staircase (35 feet square); the Great Hall (74 by 35 feet, and 50 high), with five lofty traceried windows, oak panelling, and open timber roof; the richly-decorated town-hall, in the clock-tower (41 by 25½ feet, and 15 high), with three old crystal lustres; the court-house behind (50½ by 37 feet, and 36½ high), etc.: special adornments are Provost Davidson's armour, a marble statue of Her Majesty by Alex. Brodie, Steell's marble statue of the late Provost Blaikie, a marble bust of John Phillip, and portraits by him of the Queen and Prince Consort, of Queen Anne by Kneller, of Provost Hadden, the late Earl of Aberdeen, and others.—The Post Office, at the foot of Market Street, was erected (1873-76) at a cost of £16,000, and is a simple but effective edifice of Kemnay granite, 100 feet square and 40 high, in the Renaissance style.—The Market Hall, Market Street, was built by a joint-stock company (1840-42), at a cost of £28,000. It is divided into a basement story and a galleried main floor, which, 315 feet long, 106 broad, and 45 high, has a Gothic roof of open timber-work, and itself is divided by two ranges of massive pillars into three alleys, like the nave and aisles of a church. On 29 April, 1882 (the fortieth anniversary of its opening) it was completely destroyed by fire, but has risen anew from its ashes very slightly altered from its former self.—The Corn Exchange, in Hadden Street, measuring 70 by 40 feet, and 30 high, with open roof, was built for £1000 in 1854, and except on Fridays serves as a public newsroom.—Close to the SE corner of Union Bridge is the Trades Hall, a fine Elizabethan granite structure, erected in 1847 at a cost exceeding £7000, and containing an antique set of carved oak chairs (1574), portraits by Jameson, and the shields of the seven incorporated trades—hammermen (1519), bakers (1398), wrights and coopers (1527), tailors (1511), shoemakers (1484 and 1520), weavers (1449), and fishers (1534)—whose curious inscriptions form the subject of a monograph (1863) by Mr Lewis Smith.—The Society of Advocates, chartered in 1774, 1799, and 1862, and numbering 116 members, has a handsome new hall, behind and connected with the County Buildings; in it is the valuable law library of 5000 volumes, established in 1786.—The Medico-Chirurgical Society (1789), with 55 members, has also its hall, in King Street, which, built (1818-20) at a cost of £2000, is entered by an Ionic portico, and contains a large meeting-room, laboratory, library of 4000 volumes, portraits by Vandyke and T. Miles, etc.—Westward of Union Bridge, the Music Hall Buildings, owned by a limited company (1858), comprise the assembly rooms, erected in 1820 at a cost of £14,500, with portico of six Ionic columns, 30 feet high, and ball,

supper, billiard, and other saloons; to which, at a cost of £5000, was added the music hall behind, opened by the Prince Consort on 12th September, 1859, with a very fine organ and accommodation for 3000 persons.—The new Theatre and Opera House, in Guild Street, was built in 1872 at a cost of £8400, seats 1650 spectators, and has a frontage of 75, a mean depth of 90, and a height of 50 feet.—The Masonic Hall (1871-76), in Exchange Street, cost £2806, and has a lodge-room, 50 by 32 feet, and 20 high, with three stained-glass windows. The St Katherine's Halls were opened in 1880, in connection with Shiprow Cafè.—The Public Baths and Swimming Pond are in Constitution Street. Of numerous inns and hotels, some of them temperance, the chief are the Imperial, Palace, Douglas, Lemon-tree, City, Forsyth's, the Stanley, Mann's Palace, Adelphi, Waverley, and 'Duffus' Temperance; clubs are the Royal Northern (1854), the City, the Aberdeen Club (1862), and the New Club (1867).

Aberdeen has two native Banks, the Town and County (1825), and the North of Scotland (1836). The former in October, 1891, had 1450 partners, 58 branches, a paid-up capital of £252,000, a reserve fund of £126,000, and deposits and credit balances amounting to £2,381,297; the latter, with 3292 partners and 66 branches, had £400,000 of paid-up capital, £17,500 of reserve fund, and £3,395,362 of deposits and credit balances. The Town and County has splendid new premises (1863) near the junction of Union and St Nicholas Streets, which, Roman Classic in style, cost £14,000; as also has the North of Scotland Bank (1839), at the corner of Castle and King Streets, whose Corinthian capitals exhibit a delicate minuteness never before attained in granite. There are, besides, the National Security Savings Bank of Aberdeen (1845), and branches of the following banks, with dates of their establishment:—The Bank of Scotland (1780), the Commercial Bank (1812), the National Bank (1833), the British Linen Co. (1833), the Royal Bank (1862), and the Union Bank (1849), with which was incorporated the Aberdeen Bank (1767). The Scottish Provincial (now merged in the North British & Mercantile) and Northern Assurance Companies were further established here in 1825 and 1836, the one with 110,000 £25 shares, the other with 30,000 £100 shares. Magnificent new premises for the latter were erected in 1885 at a cost of over £30,000.

The Royal Infirmary, on the western slope of Woolman Hill, was founded in 1740, enlarged in 1753, 1760, and 1820, and wholly rebuilt (1833-40) at a cost of £17,000. A Grecian three-storied edifice, with domed centre and two projecting wings, it has been found not to be in accordance with modern hygienic tastes, and new wards have been erected behind the old building, from a fund of about £30,000 raised as a memorial of the Queen's Jubilee, the latter premises being utilized for administrative purposes. An Epidemic Hospital was built on the links in 1872 at a cost of £2500, and Loch-head House, with 3 acres of ground, was purchased in 1873 for £2250, to serve as a Convalescent Hospital. The infirmary managing committee is elected from a body composed at present of 30 *ex officio* and 202 life managers, 16 managers by annual subscription, and 46 from presbyteries and churches. Under the same management, but with a separate account, the Royal Lunatic Asylum stands amid grounds of 45 acres, well wooded and tastefully laid out, 1 mile NNW of the corner of Union and St Nicholas Streets. The original building of 1800 cost £3480, and that of 1819 £13,135, of which £10,000 was bequeathed by John Forbes of Newe. Various additions have been made from time to time, but the most important was the erection in 1862 of Elmhill House for higher-class patients at a cost of £10,866, this being a handsome building in the Italian villa style, designed by William Ramage, whilst the architect of both asylum and infirmary was Archibald Simpson.—St Nicholas Poorhouse, Nelson Street, with 384 inmates in April, 1891, is a Tudor structure, built in 1849 at a cost of £9300, and enlarged in 1869 at a cost of £3350 more.—Other benevolent establishments

are the Dispensary, Lying-in, and Vaccine Institution, Guest Row (1823; enlarged and refitted, 1881); the Blind Asylum, Huntly Street (1843); the Deaf and Dumb Institution, Belmont Street (1819); the Sick Children's Hospital, Castle Terrace (1877); the House of Refuge and Night Shelter, George Street (1836); a Magdalene Asylum, Seabank (1864); an Hospital for Incurables; the Milne Bequest Trust, founded by the late Dr John Milne of Bombay; the Watt Bequest, established by the late John Watt, sen., advocate in Aberdeen, to be administered by the School Board; the Midbeltie Fund, instituted by James Allan, Esq., of Midbeltie; the General Sessions Fund, consisting of mortifications distributed by the General Kirk Session of St Nicholas parish; the Inveramsay Legacy, instituted by the Misses Smith of Inveramsay; the Calder Fund; and the Educational Trust, created by the putting together of several old benevolences yielding collectively about £6000 a year. Among the schemes carried on by the Trust are—a Girls' Home and School of Domestic Economy and a Boys and Girls Hospital school; it also provides bursaries for higher education and the Grammar School, free scholarships at evening schools, etc.

A new prison, at Craiginches, south of the Dee, was opened in 1891. Oldmill Reformatory (1857), 2½ miles W of the town, is occupied on an average by about 150 boys, and Mount Street Reformatory (1862) by some 25 girls. The Infantry Barracks, on the crest of the Castle Hill, stand on the site of a castle erected as early as 1264, and, as built in 1796 at a cost of £16,000, formed a plain winged oblong of three stories, but were greatly enlarged by the block added (1880-81) at a further cost of £11,000, with a frontage to Justice Street of 138½ feet. The King Street Militia Barracks were erected in 1863 at a cost of £10,000 in the old Scottish Castellated style. The Rifle and Artillery Volunteers have drill-halls in Blackfriars and Queen Streets.

The Public Libraries Acts were adopted in April 1884, and a reading room opened in the autumn of 1885, well provided with newspapers, magazines, and books of reference. A Lending Library of about 19,000 volumes was opened in March 1886 in the hall formerly known as the Mechanics' Hall, Market Street. Since then the new Public Library in Rosemount Viaduct, erected at a cost of £10,000, was opened on 5 July 1892 by Mr Andrew Carnegie, who had contributed £1000 of the sum. The number of its volumes includes the library of the old Mechanics' Institution, originally founded in 1824. There is also the Anderson Library at Woodside, the gift of the late Sir John Anderson, a native of Woodside. A Museum and Art Gallery, raised by public subscription, was a few years ago erected in Schoolhill in front of the Gordon College. A handsome building, of the Italian Renaissance order, and largely constructed of light-red and dark-brown granite, it presents a novel and striking appearance. It is united by a noble archway to an Art School, presented by Councillor John Gray to the town, and erected at a cost of £5000. A nucleus for the Art Gallery has been formed by the bequest of a magnificent collection by the late Mr Alex. Macdonald of Keppelstone.

Aberdeen has many places of worship, belonging to the different denominations. Its parishes—East, West, North, South, Greyfriars, and St Clement's—formed, up to 1828, the single parish of St Nicholas, and still in certain secular respects are one. There are also 10 *quoad sacra* parishes; and the churches of all 17, with population and communicants for 1891, and ministers' stipends (those marked with asterisks being largely supplemented by the congregations) are:—East (Union Street, 3657, 2280, £300*), West (Union Street, 5852, 1791, £300*), North (King Street, 11,413, 2496, £300), South (Belmont Street, 2589, 1070, £250*), Greyfriars (Broad Street, 5846, 1053, £250), St Clement's (Footdee, 8528, 1797, £250), Gilcomston (Summer Street, 14,734, 2143, £400), John Knox's (Mounthooly, 7017, 1610, £396), Holburn (Wellington Place, 16,594, 1840, £450), Ferryhill (6204, 541, —), Rubislaw (Queen's Cross, 4506, 675, £120),

Trinity (Marischal Street, 2460, 679, £252), Rosemount (Caroline Place, 11,838, 934, £400), St George's-in-the-West (John Street, 4303, 1066, £280), Mannofield (1236, 284, £240), Woodside (6461, 1696, £290), Old Machar (9681, 1379, first charge, £279; second charge, £283). The East and West Churches stand in a graveyard of nearly 2 acres, which is separated from Union Street by an Ionic façade, erected (1830) at a cost of £1460, and measuring 147½ feet in length by 32½ in height, with 12 granite columns, each consisting of a single block, and with a central archway. These churches occupy the site of the collegiate St Nicholas, which, as built between 1200 and 1507, had a nine-bayed nave (117 feet by 66), a transept (100 by 20), and a seven-bayed choir (81 by 64), with a trigonal apse over the crypt of Our Lady of Pity. At the crossing a tower rose, with its oaken spire, octagonal and picturesque, to a height of 120 feet; and in it hung three great harmonious bells, of which one, 'Lowrie,' bore date 1352, and was recast in Flanders about 1633. After the Reformation the rood-screen gave place to a wall, and St Nicholas thus was divided into two churches, the western consisting of the former nave, the eastern of the choir, and the Romanesque transept between (known as Drum's and Collision's aisles) serving as vestibule. The West Church, having become dilapidated, was rebuilt (1751-55) from designs by James Gibbs, architect of the Radcliffe Library at Oxford and of the Cambridge Senate House; 'but, as if,' says Hill Burton, 'emphatically to show that the fruits of his genius were entirely to be withdrawn from his own countrymen, the only building in Scotland known to have been planned by him, this church in his native city, combines whatever could be derived of gloomy and cumbersome from the character of the Gothic architecture, with whatever could be found of cold and rigid in the details of the Classic.' The East Church, too, was barbarously demolished and rebuilt (1834-37) in Gothic style; but on 9 Oct. 1874, its roof and interior were destroyed by fire, along with the spire and its peal of bells, increased by 5 in 1859. The total loss was estimated at £30,000, the West Church also being much damaged by water; but all has been since restored, and at a cost of £3500 a fine granite tower and spire erected (1878-80), 190 feet high. A carillon of thirty-seven bells was placed in the tower in 1887, at a cost of nearly £3500. The churchyard contains the graves of Principal Guild, Blackwell, Beattie, the author of the *Minstrel*, and of Andrew Cant, the famous Covenanting minister, Dr Campbell, and of other former celebrities; in the West Church are marble monuments by Bacon and Westmacott, a curious brass portrait-panel of Dr Duncan Liddell, executed at Antwerp in 1622, from a drawing by Jameson probably, and the tombstone of Provost Menzies (died 1641); whilst, in the southern transept, a small brass to Sir Alexander Irvine of Drum is dated 1400 (*Proc. Soc. Ant. Scot.*, 1876, p. 450).—The North Church, built in 1830, at a cost of £10,500, is a Grecian edifice, modelled apparently after St Pancras in London, measures 120 by 64 feet, and has an imposing Ionic portico, 32 feet high, and a circular tower of 150 feet.—South Church, Gothic, with massive gables and a tower, was built in 1831.—Greyfriars or College Church formed part of St Mary's Observantine friary (1450-1560), and, consisting of a plain old Gothic hall with a modern E aisle, is interesting as the only pre-Reformation church within the municipal burgh. The restoration of this old church has just been accomplished.—St Clement's, founded about 1498 for Footdee fisher-folk, was repaired in 1631, and since has been twice rebuilt, in 1787 and 1828, on the last occasion 'in the Gothic style, with an elegant belfry, 45 feet high; an organ was placed in it in 1874.—Trinity Church was built in 1822; John Knox's in 1833; Rubislaw, an ornate freestone edifice, in 1876; Rosemount in 1878; St George's in 1879, etc.

At the Disruption in 1843 every Aberdeen minister and 10,000 lay adherents went out from the Establishment; and now within the burgh there are the following Free churches, with their communicants in 1891, and ministers' incomes:—Bon Accord (Union Terrace, 418,

£340), East (Belmont Street, 901, £577), Ferryhill (Roumda Place, 476, £417), St Columba (263, £200 and manse), Gallowgate (156, £170), Gilcomston (Union Street, 629, £413), Greyfriars (George Street, 267, £193), High (Belmont Street, 712, £409), Holburn (Hardgate, 389, £263), John Knox's (Gerrard Street, 915, £344 and manse), Mariners' (Commerce Street, 275, £203), Melville (Correction Wynd, 547, £315), North (West North Street, 480, £345), Rutherford (Loanhead Terrace, 470, £273), Ruthrieston (259, £237), St Clement's (Prince Regent Street, 658, £385), South (Belmont Street, 1076, £658 and manse), Trinity (Crown Street, 826, £503), Union (Shiprow, 210, £220), West (Union Street, 727, £557 and manse), Causewayend (486, £246), Queen's Cross (722, £507), and Old Machar (233, £200 and manse). Of these churches, Melville, St Columba, and Union were built for the Establishment in 1772, 1795, and 1822; East, South, and High (1844) form an imposing cruciform pile, Lancet Gothic in style, with a fine brick spire 174 feet high; and the West Church (1869), a Gothic structure in Morayshire sandstone, has a spire of 175 feet, and cost £12,856. Gilcomston Church has also a handsome spire; and another, 150 feet high, adorns the church at Queen's Cross, built in 1880-81, at a cost of £7000.

Six U.P. churches, with members in 1891 and ministers' incomes, are—Belmont Street (539, £350), Charlotte Street (532, £300), Carden Place (442, £300), Nelson Street (111, £175), St Nicholas (Union Grove, 438, £300), and St Paul Street (405, £215). There are also 5 Congregational churches, in Albion Street, Belmont Street, Skene Street, Trinity Church, and Woodside; an Original Secession Church; 2 Evangelical Union churches, in John Street and St Paul Street; 2 Baptist churches, in Crown Terrace and George Street; a Wesleyan Methodist chapel, in Crown Terrace; a Free Methodist chapel, in Dee Street; a Unitarian chapel (1840), in George Street; and a Friends' meeting-house, in Diamond Street.

The English Episcopalians have had a chapel here since 1721, transferred to St James', King Street, in 1866; and the Scottish Episcopalians possess 8 churches, with aggregate congregations of some 3000 souls. St Andrew's, King Street, Perpendicular in style, as built in 1817, consisted of an aisled nave (90 by 65 feet), with a marble statue by Flaxman of Bishop John Skinner; in 1880 a beautiful chancel (40 by 28 feet, and 45 high) was added at a cost of over £3600, from designs by Mr G. E. Street, R.A. St John's (1849-51), in St John's Place, is an Early Middle Pointed structure, comprising chancel, four-bayed nave, and 8 aisle. St Mary's (1862), in Carden Place, is Germanised Early First Pointed in style, with strong Romanesque features, and consists of nave (69 by 36 feet, and 60 high) and chancel (51 by 22 feet, and 53 high), with trigonal apse, organ chamber, sacristy, crypt, and a *flèche* 112 feet high. St Paul's (1865), in Gallowgate, is Second Pointed, and measures 120 by 60 feet; St Margaret's, Seamount Place, was opened as a mission church in 1870, and consecrated in 1879; St Clement's and St James', with a Chapel of Ease to St Andrew's. There are two Episcopal sisterhoods—St Margaret's (1864) and the Society of Reparation (1870), the latter with orphanage attached; and three Episcopal schools, St Andrew's, St John's, and St Margaret's, with total accommodation for 942 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 898, and grants amounting to £805, 8s.

The Catholic cathedral of St Mary's of the Assumption, Huntly Street, was built of white granite in 1860 in Second Pointed style, has 1200 sittings, and consists of an aisled nave (156 by 73 feet, and 72 high), into which in 1879 were introduced a chancel arch and a rood-screen, with colossal Crucifix and figures of the Virgin and St John, whilst along the nave are canopied life-size statues of the Twelve Apostles. A large rose window over the new High Altar (1881) is filled, like all the other windows, with rich stained glass; at the W end is a very fine painting of the 'Visitation'; and the Baptistery contains a beautiful font of polished granite. By 1880 about £15,000 had been expended on the cathedral and

its graceful spire, which, completed in 1877, is 200 feet high, and contains a peal of 9 good bells, the largest of them over 30 cwt. Attached to St Mary's is a Franciscan convent, the nuns having charge of a day and boarding school with an average attendance of 86; Nazareth House (Convent of the Poor Sisters of Nazareth), Cuparstone, is a home for the aged and infirm, and for sick and abandoned children. There are other two churches, St. Peter's (Justice Street) and St. Joseph's (Woodside, sittings 200). There are three Roman Catholic schools, St Francis', St Joseph's, and St Peter's, with a total accommodation in 1891 for 694 scholars, an average attendance of 411, and a grant of £399, 12s. 1d.

Marischal College stands in a court, entered by an old arched gateway from the E side of Broad Street, near its emergence into Gallowgate. The original buildings were those of a Franciscan Monastery, suppressed at the Reformation. A new edifice, retaining the portions of the old buildings that were not destroyed by fire in 1639, was erected in 1676, and an extension superseding those portions was built in 1740-41. But the whole was unsubstantial and in constant need of repair; and in 1837-41 it was replaced on the same site by a very extensive and most imposing pile, designed by Archibald Simpson, and erected at a cost of £30,000, including a royal grant of £15,000. The new structure, consisting of durable white granite, and in a bold but simple style of collegiate Gothic, forms three sides of a quadrangle (117 by 105 feet), rises to the height of two lofty stories, and presents uniform and striking ranges of mullioned windows. A square tower springs from the side of the quadrangle, and terminates in four ornamental turrets, at a height of 100 feet from the ground; and open arcades, 48 feet long and 16 wide, extend from both sides of the principal entrance. The public school, 74 feet long and 34 wide, is on the ground floor; whilst the hall, 71 feet long, 34 wide, and 32 high, and the library and the museum, each 73 feet long, 34 wide, and 32 high, are all on the upper floor, have ornamental ceilings painted in imitation of oak, and are reached by a lofty staircase, with a massive stone balustrade and a groined ceiling. The public hall contains portraits of the fifth Earl Marischal, Bishop Burnet, Dr Arthur Johnston, Sir Paul Menzies, Andrew Cant, Sir Robert Gordon, and other worthies, several of them by the celebrated Jameson. There are 17 class rooms, and a number of other apartments. A granite obelisk, to the memory of Sir James M'Grigor, Bart., was erected (1860) in the centre of the quadrangle, and consists of base 16 feet square and 6 high, pedestal 9 feet square and 11 high, plinth 7 feet square and 3 high, and shaft from 5 to 3½ feet square and 52 high, having thus a total height of 72 feet. But both this monument and the dinginess of the approach from Broad Street mar the effect of the college buildings. The college was founded in 1593, by George Keith, fifth Earl Marischal. His charter endowed it with the ground and property of the Franciscan, Dominican, and Carmelite friars of Aberdeen, and appointed it to have a principal, 3 regents, 6 alumni, an economist, and a cook. The principal was to be an adept in sacred literature, and to be able to give anatomical and physiological prelections; and the first regent was to teach ethics and mathematics, the second logic, and the third Latin and Greek. The candidates for the chairs were to be nominated by the earl himself and his heirs, and to be examined and admitted by the faculty of King's College, and by the ministers of Aberdeen, Deer, and Fetteresso. The constitution was confirmed immediately by the General Assembly, and a few months afterwards by Parliament. A new charter was given in 1623, by William, Earl Marischal, and a new confirmation made in 1661 by Charles II. All the deeds declared that the masters, members, students, and bursars should be subject to the jurisdiction of the burgh magistrates. An additional regent was appointed within a few years of the foundation: a professorship of mathematics was founded in 1505, a professorship of

divinity was added in 1616, and 7 other professorships were founded at different subsequent periods. The senatus, in 1753, directed that the students, after passing through the Latin and Greek classes, should be instructed first, in natural and civil history, geography, chronology, and the elements of mathematics; next, in natural philosophy; and afterwards, in moral philosophy. A few alterations were subsequently made, and these adjusted the aggregate classes into the four faculties of arts, divinity, law, and medicine. But the college, under the University Act of 1858, was united with King's College into one university, with a new constitution, and now it is devoted entirely to the law and medicine classes of the united university, having been considerably enlarged. The library, in 1827, contained 11,000 volumes; and, subsequently to that year, received the valuable classical collection of the late Dr James Melvin, and was otherwise considerably enriched, until it now comprises over 100,000 volumes. In 1891 a scheme was inaugurated for the extension of the college buildings, and in 1892 Mr C. Mitchell (of Sir William Armstrong, Mitchell, & Co., Newcastle) contributed towards the extension of the University from £10,000 to £12,000 on certain conditions.

The Free Church College (1843) occupies a handsome Tudor edifice, with a square tower and an octagonal turret, erected in Alford Place in 1850, at a cost of £2025; possesses a number of scholarships, a museum, and a library of 17,000 volumes; and in 1891 had a principal, 4 other professors, a lecturer, and about 40 students. One of the latest gifts to the college is a building for the museum and library with reading room. The museum has among its treasures the watch which Mary Queen of Scots presented to John Knox when she wanted to disarm his opposition to one of her schemes.—The Church of Scotland and Free Church Training Colleges, in 1891, had 80 students each, and incomes of £3682 and £3296; for the former, new buildings were opened in George Street in 1878; for the latter, in Charlotte Street, in 1880.

The Grammar School, dating from about 1262, is the representative secondary school of the North of Scotland, attracts advanced pupils from the best primary schools, and has close connection, by charter and constitution, with the university. Its teachers, till 1863, were only a rector and 3 classical masters, but number now a rector and 14 under-masters. The building, from 1757 till 1863, was a plain structure, on School Hill, erected at a cost of £400, on part of the grounds of the Dominican Friary, forming three sides of a square, and containing a public hall with four class-rooms. The present Grammar School Buildings, in Skene Street West, were erected in 1861-63 at a cost of £16,605, in the Scottish Baronial style, and contain a rector's room, 52 feet by 30, class-rooms, each 40 feet by 28, with accommodation for 1215 boys, a public hall, a library, etc. They were vested in the magistrates and town council and in certain representatives of subscribers; but by the Education Act of 1872 passed to the supervision of the burgh school-board. The curriculum extends over five years, the number of scholars is about 350, and the endowments amount to £668 per annum, including 33 bursaries, founded between 1629 and 1866, and ranging from £20 for four years to £3 for five years.

Gordon's Hospital was founded in 1730 by Robert Gordon (1665-1732), a Dantzic merchant, who bequeathed it £10,300. Chartered in 1772, and further endowed by Alexander Simpson of Collyhill in 1816, it maintained and educated sons or grandsons of deceased burgesses of guild (and of indigent townfolk generally), but by a Provisional Order obtained in 1881 this restriction was abolished, and the institution converted into day and evening schools, the application of its benefits being also widely extended, and it is now one of the best equipped colleges for instruction in technical education in this country. It is governed by the magistrates, town council, and 4 ministers of Aberdeen. Its building, Grecian in style, stands in grounds stretching northward from School Hill, comprises a centre, erected in 1739 at a cost of £3300, and two

wings, with neat connecting colonnades, erected in 1834 at a cost of £14,000 more; presents a frontage to the S, overlooking a lawn; and gives one of the finest views in the city. A marble statue of the founder surmounts the S entrance, and his full-length portrait hangs in the large hall.

The Boys' and Girls' Hospital, founded in 1739, and incorporated in 1852, was in 1871 transferred from Upper Kirkgate and Gallowgate to new buildings in King Street Road. Governed by the Lord Provost, 3 life trustees, and 12 trustees elected annually, it admits poor children of St Nicholas parish, from eight to eleven years of age, and keeping them till fourteen, teaches them reading, writing, arithmetic, grammar, geography, music, and drawing, as also, if girls, sewing, knitting, and household work. By virtue of a provisional order obtained in 1888, this trust, along with several others, has now been placed under the charge of the Aberdeen Educational Trust, consisting of 15 elected members.

Composed of 15 members, the Burgh School-Board in 1891 reported 22 public schools (with accommodation for 12,225 children, and an average attendance of 10,398), besides industrial schools, academies, and non-public but State-aided schools. The board schools, with the accommodation provided, the average attendance, and Government grant in 1891, are—Albion Street (450, 368, £389, 10s.); Ashley Road (1030, 870, £975, 12s. 2d.); Causewayhead (856, 857, £845, 7s. 6d.); Commerce Street (661, 668, £652, 9s.); Ferryhill (480, 415, £480, 8s.); Frederick Street (669, 657, £620, 15s. 5d.); Holburn Street (977, 399, £485, 9s. 1d.); King Street (1478, 1384, £1211); Marywell Street (574, 721 day and 98 evening, £670, 10s. 2d. and £62, 6s.); Middle (1164, 786, £786); Northfield (340, 356, £323, 2s. 10d.); Port Hill (613, 497, £460, 8s. 6d.); Primrose (85, 84, £61, 5s.); Rosemount (836, 859, £947); Ruthrieston (265, 266, £376, 12s. 6d.); St Andrew's Street (237, 126, £80, 6s.); St Clement's Street (712, 601, £529, 4s.); St Paul Street (623, 623, £678, 9s. 9d.); Skene Square (510, 464, £433, 10s. 6d.); Skene Street (763, 749, £720, 9s. 6d.); Westfield (217, 213, £219, 9s. 6d.); York Street (383, 386, £376, 17s.). Also—Normal (F.C., 684, 421, £576, 9s. 6d.); Practising (Ch., 995, 697, £778, 12s.); St Andrew's (Epis., 454, 412, £360, 10s.); St Francis (R.C., 118, 99, £94, 3s. 6d.); St John's (Epis., 236, 236, £228, 8s.); St Joseph's (R.C. 340, 207, £188, 19s. 7d.); St Margaret's, Mission (Epis., 252, 250, £216, 10s.); St Peter's (R.C., 236, 115, £116, 9s.); Sheriff Watson's Female Industrial (113, 48, £41, 4s.).

Aberdeen till lately had no public gardens, a want the more felt from the scarcity of any large open spaces within the city; but the Victoria Park in 1872, and the Union Terrace Gardens in 1879, were laid out at a cost respectively of £4248 and £5110. The former lying on the NW outskirts of the town, near the Lunatic Asylum, is 13 acres in extent, measuring some 400 by 225 yards, and at its centre has a handsome granite fountain, presented by the master masons and workers of Aberdeen; whilst Union Terrace Gardens, with well-grown elm and ash trees, planted in 1775, (having served for some years as a convenient 'toom'), and extending northwards from Union Bridge along the W side of the Denburn Valley, here spanned by another bridge leading to School Hill, have an utmost length and breadth of about 250 and 50 yards. The Duthie Park (named after the donor, Miss Duthie of Ruthrieston) at Arthursseat, near Allendale Cemetery, within 2 miles of the centre of the city, was opened by the Princess Beatrice in 1883, the first sod having been cut on the 27 August 1881. It is 47 acres in extent, and cost £30,000. Aberdeen's best recreation ground, however, will always remain the Links, a stretch of velvety sward and broken sandhills (the highest, Broad Hill, 94 feet), which, 410 acres in area, extends for 2 miles along the fine level sands. Here are the battery, lifeboat house, bathing station, and golf club house; and here, too, cricket and football are played, and cattle shows and wapenshaws held.

The Cross, at the upper end of Castle Street, is a

Renaissance, open-arched, hexagonal structure of freestone, adorned with medallions of the seven Jameses. From its centre springs a column with Corinthian capital, surmounted by a unicorn that bears an escutcheon charged with the Scottish lion, the basement being 21 feet in diameter and 18 high, the column 12½ feet more. The workmanship of John Montgomery, mason of Old Rayne, it was first erected, in 1686, before the Tolbooth, near the site of the Flesh and Fish Crosses, and was transferred to its present position in 1842.—The monument (1836) of George, fifth Duke of Gordon, Scott's 'Cock of the North,' stands 30 yards lower down, and consists of a granite statue and pedestal, the one 11½, the other 10½ feet high.—At the NW corner of Union Bridge, in a circular recess, is Baron Marchetti's bronze seated statue of the Prince Consort, in field-marshal's uniform, the jack-boots very prominent. The figure is 6½ feet high, its pedestal of polished Peterhead granite 8; and it was unveiled in presence of Her Majesty, 13 Oct. 1863.—A statue of the Queen herself, by the late Alexander Brodie, of Aberdeen, was placed in 1866 at the junction of Union and St Nicholas Streets, but getting impaired by the weather, was removed in 1886 to the corridor of the Town House. Of white Sicilian marble, and 8½ feet high, it stands on a pedestal of polished Peterhead granite, 104 feet more.—A colossal bronze statue of Sir William Wallace, 'returning defiant answer to the English ambassadors before the battle of Stirling Bridge,' has been erected at the north end of Union Terrace Gardens, nearly opposite the Public Library. It was designed by W. G. Stevenson, R.S.A., and unveiled by the Marquis of Lorne in 1888. It is the gift of the late Mr John Steell, of Edinburgh, who left £4000 for the purpose.—At the entrance to Robert Gordon's College there is in the open space a bronze statue to the memory of General Gordon, the hero of Khartoum. It is 9½ feet in height, is placed on a granite pedestal 9 feet high, and was subscribed for principally by members of the Clan Gordon.—A bronze statue of the poet Burns, at the east side of Union Terrace, was unveiled in Sept. 1892.

The most noticeable bridge within the city is Telford's Union Bridge, in the line of Union Street, over the Denburn (now the railway) Valley. Besides three blind arches, one on the W and two on the E, it has an open arch of 132 feet span, with parapets 52 feet above the ground below, is 70 feet wide, with carriage-way of 21, and was constructed (1800-3) at a cost of £13,342.—Bridge of Dee, 1½ mile SW of Union Place, wastill recently the only great thoroughfare over the Dee from Aberdeen to the south, and, though rurally situated, is connected with the city by a chain of suburbs, and is under the management of the town council. It originated in a bequest of £20,000, left by Bishop Elphinstone, to build a bridge across the Dee near Aberdeen. He died 25 Oct. 1514; and his successor, Bishop Gavin Dunbar, carried out the intention of the legacy, and finished the bridge in 1527. Consisting of 7 arches, each of 50 feet span, this bridge eventually fell into decay, was restored (1718-21) out of funds belonging to itself, and was widened (1841-42) from 14½ to 26 feet, and otherwise greatly improved, at a cost of £7250.—Wellington Suspension Bridge, spanning the Dee at Craiging in the vicinity of Ferryhill, 1½ mile below Dee Bridge, was erected in 1831 at a cost of £10,000, and is 220 feet long by 22 wide.—The Railway Viaduct (1848), on the Aberdeen section of the Caledonian, crosses the Dee transversely, 3 furlongs above the Suspension Bridge, and designed by Messrs Locke & Errington, consists of 7 iron-girder arches, each about 50 feet in span, with two land arches at its northern end.—Victoria Bridge, over the Dee's new channel, in a line with Market Street and Cross Quay, is a granite five-arched structure, opened on 2 July 1881, having cost £25,000.—The Auld Brig o' Balgownie, built about 1320, either by Bishop Cheyne or by King Robert Bruce, crosses the Don, 2½ miles N by W of Castle Street. A single Gothic arch, narrow and steep, of 67 feet span and 34½ high above the black deep salmon pool below, it is commemorated by Byron

in *Don Juan*, where a note records how a dread prediction made him pause to cross it, and yet lean over it with a childish delight. For he was his mother's only son, and the prophecy runs:—

'Brig o' Balgownie, black's your wa' (or, though wight be your wa'),
W' a wife's ae son, and a meer's ae foal,
Down ye shall fa'!

In 1605 Sir Alexander Hay left lands of a yearly value of £2, 8s. 5½d. to keep the Auld Brig in repair; its accumulated funds amounted (1872) to £23,153, though out of those funds in 1825 was built the new Bridge of Don, 500 yards lower down, for £17,100. With five semicircular arches, each about 86 feet in span, this last is 26½ feet wide and 41 high. A new bridge over the Don at Persley, between Woodside and Buxburn, was opened 9 July 1892.

The Aberdeen railway, amalgamated (1866) with the Caledonian, was opened for traffic up to Guild Street terminus in 1843; and the Great North of Scotland was opened from Huntly to Kittybrewster in 1854, and thence extended, two years afterwards, to Waterloo terminus. The break—700 yards of crowded quays—between these termini had proved a great hindrance to intercommunication, when, in 1864, the two companies were empowered to construct the Denburn Valley line, on a capital of £190,000, of which the Great North of Scotland subscribed £125,000. The junction railway runs 1½ mile north-north-westward from Guild Street to Kittybrewster, being carried beneath Union Bridge, and through two short tunnels under Woolman Hill and Maberley Street; and the Great North Company abandoned their Waterloo branch, except for goods traffic, on the opening (1867) of the new Joint Guild Street station, which, over 500 feet long by 100 wide, is one of the finest stations in Scotland, its lofty iron-girder roof being modelled after that of Victoria station, Pimlico. This handsome building was erected for the accommodation of the Caledonian railway, the Great North of Scotland railway, and the Deeside railway companies, and is now also used by the North British.—Street tramways, on the line of Union, King, St Nicholas, and George Streets, were opened in 1874, and extended to Mannofield in 1880, their aggregate cost of construction being £18,791.

From a cistern, formed about 1766 at the head of Broad Street, and fed by the Fountainhall and other streams, 187,200 gallons of water were daily obtained; but this supply proving insufficient, the police commissioners resolved in 1830 to supplement it from the Dee. A pump-house was accordingly erected near the N end of the Bridge of Dee; but its two engines, each of 50 horse-power, could daily raise through a 15-inch main no more than 1,000,000 gallons to a granite reservoir at the W end of Union Street, which, with storage capacity of 94,728 gallons, stood 40 feet higher than the street itself, and 130 higher than the pumping-station. This fresh supply, too, proving quite inadequate, the commissioners next resolved, in 1862, to supersede pumping by gravitation, and to that end procured powers to abstract between 2,500,000 and 6,000,000 gallons daily from the Dee at Cairnron, 23 miles up the river, and 224 feet above the level of the sea. Similar to those of Glasgow, and rivalled in Scotland by them alone, the new Aberdeen waterworks were planned by the late James Simpson, C.E., of London. An aqueduct from Cairnron intake passes, by tunnel, through half a mile of rock, and thence goes half a mile further to Invercanny reservoir, in which 10,000,000 gallons can be stored, and from which the main aqueduct, 18 miles long, leads to the reservoir at Brae of Pitfodels. This, 1½ mile WSW of Union Place, and 162 feet above sea-level, can hold 6,000,000 gallons; and a high-service reservoir on Hillhead of Pitfodels (420 feet) contains about 500,000 more. Commenced in the spring of 1861, the waterworks were opened by the Queen on Oct. 16, 1866; their cost, which was estimated at £103,999, had reached £161,524 in 1872.

Aberdeen has good natural drainage facilities, but has been slow to turn them to account. In 1865 there were

but two or three common sewers in the new principal streets, besides the Den Burn, the Holburn on the S, the Powis or Tyle Burn on the N, and a few tinier rills. Furnishing water-power to numerous works, these streams threw up the filth that they received; the Den Burn, too, though often in summer almost dry, and though the outlet, within 600 yards, of between 40 and 50 minor sewers, was disposed in cascades, and carried along an ornamental channel. Small wonder to find it described as 'highly polluted,' as 'bringing down to its mouth at the harbour a thick and fetid slime that exhales, at low water, great volumes of poisonous gas;' nay, even in the best quarters of the city some houses were solely drained into back-garden cesspools. Much has been done since then; the Den Burn in its lower course having been covered over, and £62,695 expended during 1867-72 on the purchase of old and the construction of new sewers within the municipal bounds. In 1875, however, these works were described by Mr Alexander Smith, C.E., as far from perfect, 'the main sewers having been laid in zones, almost on dead-level intercepting sewers with reversible outfalls, instead of being laid in a position to take advantage of the natural outfalls.' By one of the four main sewers 44 acres of the Spital lands were successfully irrigated in 1871; and in 1876 it was proposed thus to utilise all the sewage of the low-lying parts of the city, 624 acres being required for the purpose. Two schemes were laid before the town council, the cost of one being £31,221, of the other £29,540. Up to September 1892 the total amount spent on the drainage system amounted to £128,000. The earliest Gas Light Company (1824) had their works near the present site of Guild Street station, whilst a new company (1840) had theirs at the Sandilands, just off the links; and on these companies' amalgamation, the former premises were sold to the Scottish North Eastern. In 1871 the Sandilands works themselves were acquired by the corporation at a total cost of £120,809.

For ages a mere expanse of open water, the harbour, so far back as the 14th century, seems to have been protected by a balwark, repaired or rebuilt in 1484. A stone pier on the S side of the channel was formed between 1607 and 1610, in which latter year a great stone, called Knock Maitland or Craig Metellan, was removed from the harbour's entry 'by the renowned art and industrie of that ingenious and virtuous citizen, David Anderson of Finzeach, from his skill in mechanics popularly known as *Davie do a' thing*.' The eastward extension of the wharf, whereby a fine meadow of ground was reclaimed, was carried on slowly (1623-59), and before 1661 a shipbuilding dock had been constructed at Foot-dee; but all improvements notwithstanding, navigation continued difficult and perilous, owing to a bar of sand, on which at low tide was scarcely 2 feet of water. To remedy this evil, the magistrates in 1770 procured a plan from Smeaton, in accordance wherewith the new N pier was built (1775-81) at a cost of £18,000. Curving slightly northwards, it had a length of 1200 feet, a height of from 16 to 30 feet, and a breadth of from 20 to 36 feet at the base, of from 12 to 24 at the top, its dimensions increasing seawards. By Telford this pier was extended (1810-16) to a further length of almost 900 feet, at a cost of £66,000; and to protect it, a southern breakwater, nearly 800 feet long, was finished in 1815, at a cost of £14,000 more. The next great undertaking was the construction (1840-48) of the Victoria Dock, 28 acres in extent—7½ above Regent Bridge—with 2053 yards of wharfage, and tide-locks 80 feet wide, the depth of water on whose sill is 21 feet at ordinary spring tides. This left about 18 acres of tidal harbour, and so things stood till Dec. 1869, when was commenced the southward diversion of the Dee from the Suspension Bridge downwards. The new channel, curving a little over a mile, and at its bottom 170 feet wide, was completed at a cost of £51,585 in 1872, the total sum expended on harbour improvements up to that date since 1810 amounting to £1,509,638. Other works under the Act of 1868 have been the building of a new S

breakwater of concrete, 1050 feet long and 47 high, at a cost of £76,443 (1870-73); a further extension of the N pier by 500 feet, at a cost of £44,000 (1874-77); and the filling up of the Dee's old bed, on which, in June 1885, a new and spacious graving dock was formed. Its total length is 524 feet; the width at the floor, 48 feet, gradually increasing to 74 feet at the cope, the length of the floor being 500 feet, and the depth on the sill 20 feet. The dock is furnished with hydraulic machinery, and cost about £50,000. Girdleness Light-house, with one fixed and one revolving light, 115 and 185 feet above mean tide, was built in 1833 to the S of the harbour entrance, which, widened now to 400 yards, leads out of Aberdeen Bay, a safe enough anchorage this with offshore winds, though not with a NE, E, or SE wind. The harbour is managed by 19 commissioners chosen from the town council, and by 12 other elected commissioners. The aggregate tonnage registered as belonging to the port was 310 in 1666, 4964 in 1788, 17,131 in 1810, 34,235 in 1821, 30,460 in 1831, 38,979 in 1841, 50,985 in 1851, 74,232 in 1861, 99,936 in 1871, 109,471 in 1881, and 101,922 on 31 Dec. 1891—viz. 59 sailing vessels of 47,094, and 120 steamships of 54,828 tons. The harbour revenue, again, was £7215 in 1811, £9161 in 1821, £12,239 in 1831, £18,657 in 1841, £20,190 in 1851, £28,436 in 1861, £32,292 in 1871, 59,320 in 1881, when the local salmon fishings (now the property of the harbour commissioners) yielded £5706, and £52,800 in 1890, when the expenditure was £37,375. Both lists show almost constant growth; as likewise does the following table, giving the aggregate tonnage of vessels that entered and cleared from and to foreign ports and coastwise, in cargoes, and also—for the three last years—in ballast:—

	Entered.			Cleared.		
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.
1845	263,731	8,781	272,512	311,117	3,639	214,756
1856	283,831	10,672	294,503	204,856	2,286	212,242
1869	339,299	32,815	372,114	292,630	13,512	216,142
1874	431,110	45,908	477,018	433,784	42,971	476,752
1880	482,132	51,997	534,039	471,044	48,419	519,463
1891	712,829	65,733	778,562	693,261	40,155	739,416

Of the total 2799 vessels of 778,562 tons that entered in 1891 2151 vessels of 674,403 tons were steamers, 138 vessels of 28,821 tons were in ballast, and 2483 of 633,739 tons were coasters; whilst the total 2768 of 739,416 tons that cleared included 1332 steamers of 376,887 tons, 1110 vessels in ballast of 324,846 tons, and 2630 coasters of 697,338 tons. The trade is mainly, then, a coasting one, and more an import than an export one; and coal is a chief article of import, 415,908 tons having been received coastwise here in 1890. The number of vessels that arrived at the port from Montreal since the Canadian cattle trade commenced in 1887 up to the end of 1891 was 85, while from Holland there had been 9, from Denmark 3, and from Iceland 1—in all, 98. The numbers landed were—cattle, 41,896; calves, 248; sheep, 4022—46,163. Other imports are lime, flax, hemp, jute, timber, oats, wheat, flour, salt, iron, bones, guano, etc.; exports are flax and cotton fabrics, woollen cloths, grain, oatmeal, cattle, horses, sheep, pigs, pork, butter, eggs, salmon, preserved meats, granite, and Scotch pine timber. The amount of customs in 1862 was £92,963; in 1868, £80,415; in 1879, £98,632; in 1887 £186,008.

Shipbuilding was carried on as early as the 15th century, and in the days of wooden ships, the Aberdeen 'clipper bow,' of Messrs Hall's invention, won for itself a wide repute. Its fame endures, but iron since 1539 has by degrees superseded wood, and this again has given place to steel. During 1832-36 there were built here 38 vessels of 6016 tons, and during 1875-79 48 of 28,817 tons, of which 22 of 9595 tons were steamers; in 1880 the number was 7 of 5849 tons, all of them iron steamships; and in 1891 the number was 12 of 3757 tons, all of them steel steamships. Aberdeen is head of the

fishery district between Montrose and Peterhead, in which, during 1890 there were cured 110,190 barrels of white herrings, besides 98,039 cod, ling, and hake, taken by 294 boats, the estimated value of boats, nets, and lines being £114,269. There is a trawling fleet of 78 vessels sailing regularly, besides 31 occasionally, each first-class boat being worth about £6000.

The manufactures of Aberdeen are at once extensive and varied, its industrial establishments including comb, cotton, linen, woollen and wincey, carpet, tape, soap and candle, tobacco and snuff, and pipe factories; paper mills; the Rubislaw bleachfields; breweries; distilleries; chemical works; engineering, iron-founding, boiler, and agricultural implement works; saw, file, gun, and brush factories; grain mills and meal stores; tanning or currying works; rope, twine, and sail factories; brickfields, etc., with—last but not least—the yards of numerous granite polishers and stone merchants.—The hosiery trade of Scotland began in Aberdeen, with which the African Company (1695) contracted for woollen stockings; and at the time when Pennant wrote (1771), 69,333 dozen pairs of stockings were yearly produced here, these being worth about 30s. per dozen, and being chiefly exported to Holland, for dispersion thence through Germany. But the trade has since dwindled into insignificance. The linen manufacture, introduced about 1745, soon grew so large as to pay some £5000 a-year in wages; and now, in the articles of thread, sailcloth, osenaburghs, brown linens, and sacking, employs between 2000 and 3000 hands. The thread manufacture was introduced at a later date than the spinning; was soon carried to great perfection; and employed 600 men, 2000 women, and 100 boys in 1795, when the sailcloth manufacture was commenced. Several large flax-spinning factories were established on the Don, near Old Aberdeen, about 1800. The woollen manufacture, in the beginning of last century, comprised chiefly coarse slight cloths, called plaidens and fingrons. These were made by the farmers and cottagers from the wool of their own sheep, by the citizens from wool supplied by country hill-farms, and were mostly exported to Hamburg. Woollen factories were established in the city about 1748; are still there of considerable extent; and belong to the same proprietors as factories at Garlogie and Don, with these consuming about 2,000,000 lbs. of wool per annum, and employing upwards of 1400 hands. The carpet manufacture has an annual value of about £50,000, the tweed manufacture (at Grandholm employing nearly 600 hands) of more than £120,000, and the wincey manufacture of at least £250,000. The aggregate woollen trade employs at least 600 hand-loom, 230 power-loom, and 3000 or more persons; and annually produces upwards of 3,000,000 yards of fabrics. Banner Mill is now the only cotton factory, but is so extensive as to employ above 650 hands.—The meat-preserving trade of Scotland was commenced at Aberdeen in 1822; made slow progress for a time, till it overcame prejudice and created a market; began by preserving salmon for exportation, and proceeded to the preserving of meats, game, soups, and vegetables; is now carried on in several establishments; employs upwards of 500 persons, produces preserved provisions to the annual value of about £221,000; supplies a large proportion of the meat stores to ships sailing from Glasgow, Liverpool, and London; and has extensive connection with India and China. Salmon, caught chiefly in the Dee and Don, appears to have been exported from as early as 1281, and was shipped to the Continent towards the end of the 17th century, at the rate of about 360 barrels yearly, of 250 lbs. each. The quantity sent to London, during the seven years 1822-28, amounted to 42,654 boxes, and during the eight years 1829-36 to 65,260 boxes; but later years have witnessed a decline. Dried whittings and haddock, sometimes called Aberdeen haddocks from their being shipped at Aberdeen, oftener called Findon or Finnan haddocks from a village about 6 miles to the S where they were originally dried for the market, are

a considerable article of commerce coastwise as far as to London. Beef and mutton are also largely prepared for exportation; and, together with live stock, are forwarded to the southern markets to the value of about £1,000,000 a-year.—Steam-engines, anchors, chains, cables, and all kinds of machinery are manufactured in extensive ironworks at Ferryhill, Footdee, and other localities. Rope-making, paper-making, soap-making, comb-making, and leather manufacture also are carried on. The granite trade has been associated with Aberdeen for fully 300 years; and now it makes a very great figure. Effective quarrying was not begun till about 1750, nor the exporting till 1764; whilst the use of machinery in quarrying dates only from about 1795, the dressing of the granite into regular cubes from 1800, and the polishing of granite for manufacture into monuments, columns, fountains, etc., from 1818. But now the trade in dressed blocks for paving, bridges, wharves, docks, and lighthouses, and so forth, is gigantic; while that in polished granite, or in numerous and diversified ornamental articles of polished granite, at once exercises remarkable artistic skill, and is considerably and increasingly extensive. Upwards of 80,000 tons of granite are quarried annually in Aberdeenshire and the contiguous parts of Kincardineshire, and more than half of the quantity quarried is exported. The quarrying employs upwards of 1000 hands; the transporting and the working employ a proportionally large number of hands, and the polishing and constructing into ornamental objects employ very many skilled workmen. The tons of granite exported from Aberdeen were 25,557 in 1840, 30,385 in 1850, 32,023 in 1865, 43,790 in 1867, and upwards of 50,000 in 1891.

A weekly grain market is held on Friday; a linen market, on the Green, is held on the last Thursday of April; a wool market, also on the Green, is held on the last Thursday and Friday of June, and of the first and second weeks of July; and a market is held on the Wednesday after the third Tuesday of October, *o.s.*; but none of these, except the weekly one, is now of importance. Hiring markets are held in Castle Street on several Fridays about Whitsunday and Martinmas.

A printing-press was started by Edward Raban in 1621, from which in 1623 the earliest Scottish almanac was issued, and in 1748 the *Aberdeen Journal*, the oldest newspaper N of the Forth. There now are 10 newspapers—the daily and Wednesday Conservative *Journal* (1748), the Saturday *Liberal Herald* (1806), the *Liberal Daily Free Press* (1853), the Tuesday and Friday *Northern Advertiser* (1856), the Saturday *Liberal People's Journal* (1858), the Saturday *Weekly News* (1864), the *Evening Express* (1879), the *Evening Gazette* (1882), and the *Northern Daily News* (1891).—The Spalding Club was instituted in 1839, for printing historical, ecclesiastical, genealogical, typographical, and literary remains of the north-eastern counties of Scotland; and issued nearly forty volumes of great value, including *Dr Stuart's Sculptured Stones of Scotland* and *The Book of Deer*. It came to a close in 1870; but a new Spalding Club was started in 1887. See John Stuart's *Notices of the Spalding Club*.

The Town Council consists of a Lord Provost, 6 bailies, 6 office-bearers, and 23 councillors; and the municipal constituency numbered 1902 in 1841, 2961 in 1851, 2701 in 1861, 9347 in 1871, 12,193 in 1881, and 23,449 in 1891. The corporation revenue was £15,184 in 1832, £18,648 in 1840, £16,894 in 1854, £11,376 in 1864, £11,447 in 1870, £12,560 in 1874 (including assessments and gas revenue), £122,328 in 1880, and £175,000 in 1892. By the Aberdeen Municipality Extension Act of 1871, the powers of the former commissioners of police were transferred to the town council, the business of the police department being thenceforth managed by separate committees. The watching force for city and harbour consists of a superintendent (salary £525), 2 lieutenants, 6 inspectors, 6 detectives, 9 sergeants, and 126 constables, the total cost of that force being £11,381 in 1891. The sheriff court for the county is held in the Court-House on Wednesday and Fridays, the small debt

court on Thursdays, the debts recovery court on Fridays, the commissary court on Wednesdays, and the general quarter sessions on the first Tuesday of March, May, and August, and the last Tuesday of October.—The parliamentary constituency numbered 2024 in 1834, 3586 in 1861, 14,146 in 1881, and 17,708 in 1891, of whom 8832 belonged to the North Division, and 8876 to the South Division. The burgh formerly returned one member to Parliament, but under the Redistribution of Seats Act of 1885 an additional member was granted to it.—The annual value of real property within the parliamentary burgh, assessed at £101,613 in 1815, has risen since the passing of the Valuation Act from £178,168 in 1856, to £198,336 in 1861, £226,534 in 1866, £283,650 in 1871, £323,197 in 1876, £414,564, 4s. in 1881, and (exclusive of £18,222 for railways, tramways, and waterworks) £568,461 in 1891, this last sum being thus distributed:—St Nicholas parish, £260,953; Old Machar, £297,118; Peterculter, £226; and Torry, £10,164.—The population is said to have numbered 2977 in 1396, 4000 in 1572, 5833 in 1581, 8750 in 1643, 5556 in 1708, and 15,730 in 1755, the last being that of the parliamentary burgh, which during the present century is shown by the census thus to have increased—(1801) 26,992, (1811) 34,649, (1821) 43,821, (1831) 56,681, (1841) 63,288, (1851) 71,973, (1861) 73,805, (1871) 88,189, (1881) 105,003, (1891) 121,623, of whom 384 belonged to the City Poor-house, 219 to the Royal Infirmary, 369 to the shipping, 10 to the Naval Reserve, 51,748 (26,607 females) to St Nicholas, and 71,579 (39,902 females) to Old Machar, the subdivisions of these two last being given under the Churches.

OLD ABERDEEN, by the Extension Act of 1891, is incorporated with the royal burgh and city. It is barely $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of Castle Street, yet merits separate notice as a quondam burgh of regality, an episcopal city, and the seat of a university. Consisting chiefly of a single street, it commences at Spital, near the N end of Gallowgate, and thence extends a good mile northward to the immediate vicinity of the Don. With its gardens and orchards, it wears a quiet country appearance, and, but for a few modern villas here and there, might almost be said to have remained three centuries unchanged. The northern end is strikingly picturesque, the Chanonry there, or ancient cathedral precinct, containing one cathedral, episcopal palace, deanery, prebends' lodgings, etc., and though now stripped of some of its features, presenting still in the massive form and short spiked steeples of the cathedral, amid a cluster of fine old trees on the crown of a bank sloping down to the Don, a scene of beauty hardly excelled by aught of the kind in Britain.

The Town-House stands about 300 yards S of the cathedral; was built in 1702, and renovated towards the end of the century; and contains a large hall, a council-room, and other official chambers.—The cross stood in front of the site of the Town-House, included a stepped pedestal, and a shaft surmounted by a figure of the Virgin; and was defaced at the Reformation, removed when the Town-House was rebuilt.—A well at the Town-House was formed in 1763, with a cistern in what had been called the Thief's Hole; and was provided with 625 yards of piping.—The entrance-gate to Powis' Garden fronts the College buildings, has a lofty round tower on either side, surmounted by gilded crescents, and forms a marked feature in the burghal landscape.—The Hermitage crowning an eminence in Powis' Garden is another picturesque object; and a conical mound, the Hill of Tillydrone, a little W of the cathedral, is said by some to have been artificially formed by Bruce's soldiers for a watchguard station; by others, to have served for beacon fires; by others, to have been the seat of ancient civil, criminal, or ecclesiastical courts.

The exact date of the erection of the see of Aberdeen is unknown, the legend of its original foundation by Malcolm II. at MORTLACH in Banffshire resting on five forged documents. Thence it is said to have been transferred by David I. (1124-53), but all that is certain

is that a charter granted by the Mormaer of Buchan for refounding the church of Deer early in David's reign was witnessed by 'Nectan, Bishop of Aberdeen,' whilst a bull by Pope Adrian IV. confirmed in 1157 to Edward, Bishop of Aberdeen, the church of Aberdeen and the church of St Machar, with the town of Old Aberdeen and other lands (*Skene's Coll. Scot.*, vol. ii., 1876, p. 378). Down to the Reformation, the see was held by 26 bishops, the twelfth of whom, Alexander Kininmonth II. (1356-80), laid the foundations of the present Cathedral of SS. Mary and Machar, preserving nothing of two earlier structures. The work was carried on by his successors, and in 1532 the cathedral presented a five-ayed nave, an aisleless choir, a transept, lady-chapel, and consistory, with two western octagonal steeples 113½ feet high, and a great central tower of freestone, rising 150 feet, in which hung 14 bells. Destruction soon succeeded to construction, for the Mearns rabble in 1560 despoiled the cathedral of all its costly ornaments, demolishing the choir; the transepts were crushed by the fall of the central tower in 1688. All that remains is the nave, now the parish church (126 by 67½ feet), a parvise S porch, the western towers, and fragments of the transept walls, containing the richly sculptured but mutilated tombs of Henry de Lichtoun (d. 1440), Gavin Dunbar (d. 1532), and a third unknown bishop. The only granite cathedral in the world, this, although dating from the Second Pointed age, has many survivals of the Norman style, notably its short massive rounded piers and plain un moulded 'storm' or clerestory windows; other features are the great western window, divided by six long shafts of stone, a low-browed doorway beneath it with heavy semicircular arch, and the finely carved pulpit, a relic of the wood-carvings, that also were hewn in pieces in 1649. The plainness of the whole is redeemed by the carving and gilding of a flat panelled oaken ceiling, emblazoned with the arms of 48 benefactors, and restored in 1869-71, when two galleries also were removed, and other improvements effected under the supervision of the late Sir G. G. Scott at a total cost of £4280. Five stained-glass windows, too, have been inserted (1871-74), the western to the Duke of Gordon's memory, another to that of the Aberdonian painters, Jameson, Phillip, and Dyce. (See Billings, vol. i., 1848; and Walcott's *Scotti-Monasticon*, 1874, with authorities cited there).—E of the cathedral the bishop's palace (c. 1470), with a large fair court and 4 high towers, stood near the site of the present residence of the Divinity Professor; to the S stood the deanery, on ground now occupied by Old Machar Manse; and to the W was a hospital founded in 1532 by Bishop Gavin Dunbar for 12 poor bedesmen; its revenues now are distributed to 18 men in their own homes.—A church and a hospital, dedicated to St Peter, stood within Spital burying-ground, near the S end of the town; and another church, St Mary ad Nives, commonly called Snow Kirk, stood behind houses a little NW of the Spital burying-ground. Both churches, by an act of Parliament in 1583, were united to the cathedral church. The western portion of Spital burying-ground is very ancient, but the eastern is recent; the Snow Kirk burying-ground is now the Roman Catholic cemetery.—The Free church, the only place of worship now in Old Aberdeen besides the cathedral, stands about midway between it and King's College, and is a neat edifice, renovated in 1880.

King's College stands on the E side of the main street, nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of the cathedral. It was begun in 1500, and now exhibits a mixture of architecture, mediæval and modern. Its original form, a complete quadrangle, with three towers, is depicted in a curious painting of the 17th century, preserved within the college; but one of these towers has perished, another is only a fragment. The third, 100 feet high, was rebuilt about 1636 at the NW corner, and is a massive structure, buttressed nearly to the top, and bearing aloft a lantern of crossed rib arches, surmounted by a beautiful imperial crown, with finial cross. Lantern and crown somewhat resemble those of St Giles', Edinburgh, and St Nicholas',

Newcastle-on-Tyne; but they have much less of the spire about them, and are far more in keeping with the spirit of Gothic architecture. The adjoining western or street front is a reconstruction of 1826, and, Perpendicular in style, is out of harmony with the tower. The entire original college appears to have been executed in a mixture of the Scottish and the French Gothic styles; and was specially distinguished by the retention of the semicircular arch, at a time long subsequent to the general use of the pointed arch throughout England. Much of that pile still stands, preserving all its original features, and serving as one of the best extant specimens of the Scottish architecture of its period. The W side of the quadrangle is disposed in class-rooms; the S side consists of plain building, with a piazza; and the E side contains the common hall, 62 by 22½ feet, enriched with portraits and with Jameson's famous paintings of the Ten Sibyls. The N side contains the chapel and the library, and for interior character is deeply interesting. The chapel is the choir of the original college church, and has canopied stalls of beautifully carved black oak, with screens of the same material, 'which,' says Hill Burton, 'for beauty of Gothic design and practical finish, are perhaps the finest piece of carved work existing in the British Empire.' The tomb of Bishop Elphinstone is in the middle of the chapel, and was once highly ornamented, but is now covered with an unscrubbed slab of black marble. The library is the former nave, measures 58 feet by 23, retains the original W window of the church, and is separated from the chapel by a partition wall. The university library possesses more than 100,000 volumes, and there are also museums of natural history, medicine, archaeology, etc.

A scholastic institution, serving as a germ of the college, existed from the time of Malcolm IV. The college itself originated in a bull of Pope Alexander VI., obtained by application of James IV., on supplication of Bishop Elphinstone, for a university to teach theology, canon and civil law, medicine, and the liberal arts, and to grant degrees. The bull was issued in 1494, but did not take effect till 1505. The college was dedicated to the Holy Trinity and the Virgin Mary, but being placed under the immediate protection of the king came to be known as King's College. James IV. and Bishop Elphinstone endowed it with large revenues. Six teachers for life and five for a certain number of years, were to carry on its tuition. The primus was styled principal, and was to be a master of theology; the second, third, and fourth were the doctors of canon and civil law and of medicine; the fifth was styled regent and sub-principal, and was to be a master of arts; the sixth was to teach literature, and to be also a master of arts; the five not holding their positions for life were likewise to be masters of arts; and all eleven, except the doctor of medicine, were to be ecclesiastics. A faithful model of the University of Paris, King's College, with its four 'nations' of Mar, Buchan, Moray, and Angus, partook partly of a monastic, partly of an eleemosynary, character; but, as it progressed, it underwent change, at once in its practical working, in the staff of its professors, and in the amount of its endowments. It became comparatively very wealthy towards the era of the Reformation, and had it been allowed to retain the wealth which it had then acquired it might at the present day have vied with the great colleges of England; but, through the grasping avarice of Queen Mary's courtiers, it was deprived of much of its property. It, however, received some new possessions from Charles I.; it had, in 1836, an income of £2363 from endowments and crown grants; and it acquired £11,000 from a bequest by Dr Simpson, of Worcester, in 1840, when its bursaries numbered 128, of the aggregate yearly value of £1643. In 1838, the University Commissioners had recommended that King's College here, and Marischal College in Aberdeen, should be united into one university, to be called the University of Aberdeen, with its seat at Old Aberdeen, and that recommendation was adopted in the Universities Act of 1858, and carried into effect on Sept. 15, 1860. Holding the funds of

both colleges, and ranking from the year 1494, the date of King's College, the university has 250 bursaries, of which 223 are attached to the faculty of arts, and 27 to that of theology. They vary from £5 to £50, and average fully £20 apiece, their aggregate value being £5179; there are also eight scholarships of from £70 to £100 per annum. The classes for arts and divinity are now held in King's College, and those for law and medicine in Marischal College. The session, in arts and divinity, extends from the beginning of November to the first Friday of April; in law, from the first Monday of November to the end of March; and in medicine, for winter, from not later than the 24 October to the end of April; for summer, from the first Monday of May to the end of July. The general council (3330 members in 1891) meets twice a year—on the Wednesday after the second Tuesday of April, and on the Wednesday after the second Tuesday of October. The chief officers are a chancellor, elected by the general council; a vice-chancellor, appointed by the chancellor; a lord rector, elected by the matriculated students; a principal, appointed by the Crown; and eleven assessors, chosen by respectively the chancellor, the rector, the town council, the general council, and the senatus academicus. The university court consists of the rector, the principal, the lord provost of Aberdeen, and the assessors; and the senatus academicus consists of the principal and the professors. The chairs, with the dates of their establishment and their emoluments, including estimated amounts from fees, are—Greek (1505, £607); humanity (1505, £578); mathematics (1505, £536); natural philosophy (1505, £524); moral philosophy (1505, £492); natural history (1593, £468); logic (1860, £492); divinity and church history (1616, £486); systematic theology (1620, £566); Oriental languages (1674, £439); divinity and biblical criticism (1860, £130); law (1505, £308); chemistry (1505, £531); practice of medicine (1700, £254); anatomy (1839, £600); surgery (1839, £266); medical logic and medical jurisprudence (1857, £222); institutes of medicine (1860, £272); materia medica (1860, £242); midwifery (1860, £223); botany (1860, £377); and pathological anatomy, the Sir Erasmus Wilson professorship (1882). The Crown appoints to 16 of the chairs, the university court to 5, and a composite body of 20 members to the chair of systematic theology. There are also four lectureships—one called the Murray Sunday Lecture (1821), one on practical religion (1825), one on agriculture (1840), and the Gifford lectureship on natural theology (1887); as well as assistantships to the Greek, humanity, mathematics, natural philosophy, chemistry, anatomy, materia medica, and medical logic and jurisprudence chairs, all instituted in 1860. The Act of 1858 awarded compensation, to the aggregate amount of £2500 a-year, to such professors and others as were displaced by new arrangements, authorised the erection of new buildings at King's College, and repairs and alterations in Marischal College, at an estimated cost of respectively £17,936 and £800, and fixed a new scale of emoluments, allotting £599 a year to the principal, and to professors as given above. The number of matriculated students in the winter session (1890-91) was 855, and in the summer session (1891) 422. The graduates in 1891 were—M.A., 83; M.D., 23; M.B. and C.M., 59; B.Sc., 2; D.Sc., 2; diploma in public health, 8; and B.D., 9. The University of Aberdeen unites with that of Glasgow in sending a member to Parliament.

The Grammar School stands E of the Town-House; is a very modest building, with a small playground; has accommodation for 91 scholars; and is chiefly engaged in preparing boys for university bursaries. It dates from time immemorial; but, strictly speaking, is only a sessional school, connected with the kirk-session of Old Machar. The Gymnasium, or Chantry School, is private property, but has some characteristics of an important public school; was opened in 1848, with design to prepare boys for the university; has accommodation for boarders, 9 class-rooms with capacity for at least 150 boys, and 2 playgrounds; and is conducted by

the proprietor, a rector, and 7 masters. Mitchell's Hospital stands in the south-western vicinity of the cathedral, is a one-story edifice, forming three sides of a square, with garden attached, and was founded in 1801 for lodging, clothing, and maintaining a certain number of aged widows and unmarried daughters of decayed gentlemen or merchants or of burghesses of Old Aberdeen. There are at present 10 inmates.

The magistrates, from the abolition of Episcopacy till 1723, were appointed by the Crown, and from 1723 till the passing of the Municipal Act, were elected by their own predecessors. As already stated, Old Aberdeen was united to Aberdeen in 1891; but before this the town council consisted of a provost, 4 bailies, 8 merchant councillors, trades councillors, and a treasurer. The magistrates were trustees of £2792 in the British funks as endowment of Dr Bell's school; and some of them shared in the management of Mitchell's Hospital. The burgh was ill-defined as to limits, had little property, and no debts. There were 7 incorporated trades, and the capital of the guildry was small. Pop. (1851) 1490, (1861) 1785, (1871) 1857, (1881) 2186, (1891) 1951.

Colonel Robertson maintains, in his *Gaelic Topography* (1869), that by old writers *New Aberdeen* was always discriminated from *Old Aberdeen*; the former he derives from the Gaelic *abhair-reidh-an* ('smooth river confluence'), the latter from *abhair-domhain* ('deep confluence'). Such discrimination, however, exists in his imagination only, the name of both kirktown and seaport being written indifferently *Aberdoon*, *Aberdon*, *Aberdin*, *Aberdene*, etc., and in Latin oftenest appearing as *Aberdonia*; so that one may take it to mean the ford or mouth of either Don or Dee, according as one assigns the priority of foundation to Old or New Aberdeen. And history fails us here, save only that, whilst Old Aberdeen was possibly the seat of a Columban monastery, *New Aberdeen* is certainly not identical with *Devana*, a town of the *Taexali* in the 2d century A.D., Ptolemy placing this fully 30 miles inland, near the Pass of Bal-later, and close to Loch Daven. The earliest mention, then, of Aberdeen is also the earliest mention of its see, already referred to on p. 15; next in Snorro's Icelandic *Heimskringla*, we read, under date 1153, how Eysteinn, a Norwegian kinglet, set forth on a freebooting voyage, and, touching at Orkney, thence spread his sails southwards, and 'steering along the eastern shores of Scotland, brought his ships to the town of Aparlion, where he killed many people, and wasted the city.' Again, the *Orkneyinga Saga* records how Swein Asleif's son went over to Caithness and up through Scotland, and in Aparlion was well entertained for a month by Malcolm IV., 'who then was nine winters old,' which places this visit in 1162. Of authentic charters, the oldest was granted about 1179 by William the Lion at Perth, and confirmed to his burghesses of Aberdeen the free-trade privilege enjoyed by their forefathers under his grandsire David I. (1124-53); and William here established an exchequer with a mint, and built a palace, which he bestowed in 1211 on monks of the Holy Trinity. Alexander II. kept Yule in Aberdeen (1222), founded its Blackfriars or Dominican priory, and allowed its burghesses to hold a Sunday market; during his reign the town was accidentally destroyed by fire (1224). Under Alexander III. (1249-85) the Castle was built, the burgh common seal is mentioned (1271), and we first hear of a provost or alderman (1284). On 14th July 1296, Edward I., in his progress through the realm, came unto Aberdeen, 'a fair castell and a good town vpon the see, and tarayed there v. days;' a little later Wallace is said by Blind Harry to have burned 100 English vessels in the haven. Bruce, from his rout at Methven (1306), took refuge in Aberdeen; and to this period belongs the legend how the citizens, waxing hot in his cause, rose suddenly by night in a well-planned insurrection, captured the castle, razed it to the ground, and put to the sword its English garrison. 'In honour,' adds Bailie Skene, 'of that resolute act,' they got their Ensigns-Armorial, which to this day they bear—*Gules*, three Towers triple, towered on a *double-Tressure* counter-

flowered *Argent*, supported by two Leopards proper; the *Motto*, in an *Escroll* above, their watchword *Box Accord*.' The legend is solely due to Hector Boece's inventive genius, but the garrison was really driven out, and in 1319 King Robert conveyed to the community the royal forest of Stocket and the valuable fishings of the Dee and Don, with various other privileges and immunities, his 'being the Great Charter of the city, from which it dates its political constitution.' In 1333, Edward III. having sent a fleet to



Seal of Aberdeen.

harry the eastern coast, a body of English attacked by night the town of Aberdeen, which they burned and destroyed; in 1336, Edward himself having marched as far north as Inverness, the citizens stoutly encountered at the W end of the Green an English force which had landed at Dunnottar, and slew their leader, Sir Thomas Roslyne. In vengeance whereof Edward, returning, once more burned the town, which, being rebuilt on an extended scale, with material aid from King David Bruce, received the title of 'New Aberdeen.' That monarch resided some time in the city, and erected a mint and held a parliament at it, whilst confirming all his predecessors' grants; Robert III., too, struck coins at Aberdeen. During the captivity of James I. and the minority of James II., the citizens bore arms for their own protection, built walls around the town, kept the gates care-fully shut by night, and by day maintained an armed patrol of their own number. In 1411, when the Earl of Mar collected forces to oppose an inroad of Donald of the Isles upon the north-west of the shire, Sir Robert Davidson, Provost of Aberdeen, led a band of the citizens to swell the earl's forces, and fell at their head in the battle of HARLAW. In 1462 the magistrates entered into a ten years' bond with the Earl of Huntly, to protect them in their freedom and property, whilst, saving their allegiance to the Crown, they should at any time receive him and his followers into the city. In 1497 a blockhouse was erected at the entrance of the harbour as a protection against the English. James IV. paid several visits to Aberdeen; and once, in 1507, he rode in a single day from Stirling, through Perth and Aberdeen, to Elgin. Margaret his queen was sumptuously entertained (1511), as also were James V. (1537) and Mary of Guise (1556). In 1525 the citizens were attacked, and 80 of them killed or wounded by a foraging party under three country lairds; and in consequence the town was put into a better state of defence. The plague raged here in 1401, 1498, 1506, 1514, 1530, 1538, 1546, 1549, 1608, and 1647; and on the last occasion carried off 1760 persons, or more than a fifth of the whole population. In 1547 a body of Aberlonians fought with great gallantry at the disastrous battle of Pinkie; in the early part of 1560 the city firmly received the doctrines of the Reformation, and for 'first minister of the true word of God' had Adam Heriot, who died in 1574. In 1562, during the conflict between the Earl of Huntly's and Queen Mary's forces, Aberdeen seems to have been awed equally by both parties; but it succumbed to the queen after her victory at Corrichie, and at it she witnessed the execution of Sir John Gordon, Huntly's second son. On 20 Nov. 1571, the Gordons and Forbeses met at the Craibstone between the city and the Bridge of Dee; and in a half-hour's fight the Forbeses were routed, with a loss of 300 men to themselves, of 30 to the Gordons. James VI. paid visits to Aberdeen in 1582, 1589, 1592, 1594, and 1600; on these occasions entailing much expense on the citizens, both in entertainments and in money-gifts. The witch

persecution here about this time resulted in the death from torture of many persons in prison, and in the burning, within the two years 1596-97, of 22 women and 1 man on the Castle Hill (Chambers' *Dom. Annals*, i. 278-285). In 1605 a General Assembly was convened at Aberdeen by Melville and others of the High Presbyterian party, but only 9 attended, who for their pains were 5 of them banished the realm, the others summoned to the English Court; in 1616 another General Assembly resolved that 'a liturgy be made and form of divine service.' A Cavalier stronghold, Aberdeen and the country around it rejected the Covenant, so in 1638 a committee of ministers—Henderson, Dixon, and Andrew Cant—was sent, with the Earl of Montrose at their head, to compel the people to sign. Their mission was thwarted by the famous 'Aberdeen Doctors'; but Montrose next year twice occupied and taxed the city, on the second occasion winning admittance by the trifling skirmish of the Bridge of Dee, 19 June 1639. In the following May, too, Monro with his thousand debased Covenanters, subjected the townfolk to grievous oppression; and continued harassment had at last subdued them to the Covenanting cause, when, on 13 Sept. 1644, Montrose, as Royalist, re-entered Aberdeen, having routed the Covenanters between the Craibstone and the Justice Mills. 'In the fight,' says Spalding, 'there was little slaughter; but horrible the slaughter in the fight, the lieutenant's men heaving down all they could overtake within and about the town.' So that, as Dr Hill Burton observes, Montrose 'in his two first visits chastised the community into conformity with the Covenant, and now made compensation by chastising them for having yielded to his inflictions.' Charles II. lodged (7 July 1650) in a merchant's house just opposite the Tolbooth, on which was fastened one of Montrose's hands; on 7 Sept. 1651, General Monk led a Commonwealth army into the city, where it continued several years. The Restoration was hailed by the Aberdonians with as great delight as the Revolution was looked on with disavour; yet scant enthusiasm was roused in Sept. 1715 by the Earl Marischal's proclamation at the Cross of James VIII., who himself on 24 Dec. passed *incognito* through the city, on his way from Peterhead to Fetteresse, where the Episcopal clergy and the new Jacobite magistrates of Aberdeen offered him homage. In the '45 Cope's force encamped on the site of Union Terrace, and embarked from Aberdeen for Dunbar; the Duke of Gordon's chamberlain again proclaimed James VIII.; Lord Lewis Gordon next occupied the city; and lastly the Duke of Cumberland lodged for 6 weeks in Guestrow. Two or three years before, between 500 and 600 persons of either sex had been kidnapped in Aberdeen for transportation to the American plantations; one of them, Peter Williamson, returning in 1765, and issuing the narrative of his bondage, was imprisoned and banished for defamation of the magistrates, but eventually obtained from them £285 damages (*Blackwood's Mag.*, May 1848). In a riot on the King's birthday (1802) 4 of the populace were shot by the military; 42 of the *Oscar's* crew were drowned in the Grayhope (1813); and out of 260 persons attacked by cholera (1832) 105 died. The Queen and Prince Albert visited Aberdeen on their way to Balmoral (7 Sept. 1848), and the latter presided at the British Association (14 Sept. 1859); whilst Her Majesty unveiled the Prince Consort Memorial (13 Oct. 1863), and opened the waterworks (16 Oct. 1866), then making her first public speech since her bereavement. Aberdeen has twice been the meeting-place of the British Association, once of the Social Science Congress, and repeatedly of the Highland and Agricultural Society.

The 'brave town' gives title of Earl of Aberdeen (cre. 1682) in the peerage of Scotland, of Viscount Gordon of Aberdeen (cre. 1814) in that of the United Kingdom, to a branch of the Gordon family, whose seat is Haddo House. Its illustrious natives are—Jn. Abercrombie, M.D. (1780-1844); Alex. Anderson (fl. 1615), mathematician; Prof. Alex. Bain (b. 1818), logician; Jn.

Barbour, archdeacon of Aberdeen from 1357 to 1395, and author of the *Brus*; And. Baxter (1686-1750), metaphysician; Thos. Blackwell (1701-57), scholar; his brother Alexander, the botanist (beheaded at Stockholm, 1747); Alex. Brodie (1830-67), sculptor; Jn. Burnet (1729-84), merchant and benefactor; Jn. Burnett (1764-1810), legal writer; Jn. Hill Burton, LL.D. (1809-81), historian; Geo. Campbell, D.D. (1719-96), divine and grammarian; Alex. Chalmers (1759-1834), biographer and miscellaneous writer; Alex. Cruden (1701-70), author of the *Concordance*; Geo. Dalgarno (1626-87), inventor of a universal language; Jn. Dick, D.D. (1764-1833), Secession divine; Jas. Donaldson, LL.D. (b. 1831), principal of St Andrews University; Walter Donaldson, 17th century scholar; Jas. Matthews Duncan, M.D. (b. 1826); Wm. Duncan (1717-60), translator; Wm. Dyce, R.A. (1806-64); Wm. Forbes (1585-1634), Bishop of Edinburgh; Jn. Forbes Robertson (b. 1822), art-critic; Dav. Fordyce (1711-51), professor of philosophy in Marischal College; his brothers, James Fordyce, D.D. (1720-96), and Sir Wm. Fordyce (1724-92), an eminent physician; Jas. Gibbs (1688-1754), architect; Gilbert Gerard (1760-1815), divine; his son, Alexander (d. 1839), explorer; Thos. Gray (d. 1876), artist; Dav. Gregory (1661-1710), geometer; Jn. Gregory, M.D. (1724-73), and his son, James Gregory, M.D. (1753-1821); Wm. Guild, D.D. (1586-1657), principal of King's College; Gilbert Jack (1578-1628), metaphysician; Alex. Jaffray (1614-73), diarist, provost, and Quaker; George Jameson (1586-1644), the 'Scottish Vandyke'; Geo. Keith (c. 1650-1715), Quaker and anti-Quaker; Sir Jas. McGrigor, Bart. (1771-1858), head of the army medical department; Prof. Dav. Masson (b. 1822), litterateur; Major Jas. Mercer (1794-1803); Colin Milne, LL.D. (1744-1815), botanist; Rt. Morison, M.D. (1620-83), botanist; Thos. Morison (fl. 1594), physician and anti-papist; Jn. Ogilvie, D.D. (1733-1814), minor poet; Jas. Perry (1756-1821), journalist; Jn. Phillip, R.A. (1817-67); And. Robertson (1777-1865), miniaturist; Rev. Jas. Craigie Robertson (b. 1813), ecclesiastical historian; Jos. Robertson, LL.D. (1810-66), antiquary; Alex. Ross (1590-1654), voluminous writer of Hudibrastic fame; Wm. Skinner, D.D. (1778-1857), Bishop of Aberdeen from 1816; Sir John Steel, R.S.A. (1804-91), sculptor; Wm. Thom (1799-1848), weaver-poet; and Dav. Wedderburn (c. 1570-1650), Latin poet.—Chief among many illustrious residents are Alexander Arbuthnot (1538-83), principal of King's College from 1569; the wit Jn. Arbuthnot (1667-1735), educated at Marischal Col.; Neil Arnott, M.D. (1788-1874), ed. at Grammar School and Marischal Col.; Wm. Barclay (1546-1605), the learned civilian, student; Peter Bayne (b. 1830), journalist, M.A. of Marischal Col.; the 'Minstrel,' Jas. Beattie LL.D. (1735-1803), bursar of Marischal Col. 1749, master of Grammar School 1758, and professor of moral philosophy and logic at Marischal Col. 1760; Jn. Stuart Blackie (b. 1809), son of Aberdeen banker, there educated, and professor of Latin literature in Marischal Col. 1841-52; Hector Boece (1465-1536), historian, and first principal of King's Col.; Rt. Brown, D.C.L. (1773-1858), botanist, educated at Marischal Col.; its principal, Wm. Lawrence Brown, D.D. (1755-1830); Dav. Buchanan (1745-1812), publisher, M.A. of Aberdeen; Gilbert Burnet, D.D. (1643-1715), Bishop of Salisbury, student at Marischal Col. 1653-56; Jas. Burnet, Lord Monboddo (1714-99), student *ib.*; Chas. Burney (1757-1817), scholar, M.A. of King's Col.; Lord Byron (1788-1824), resident 1790-98; Andrew Cant, minister in Aberdeen in 1640; Donald Cargill (1610-81), Covenanting preacher, student at Aberdeen; Fred. Carmichael (1708-51), divine, student of Marischal Col.; Jas. Cassie, R.S.A. (1819-79); Dav. Chalmers, Lord Ormond (1530-92), student; Geo. Chalmers (1742-1825), historian, student at King's Col.; Geo. Chapman, LL.D. (1723-1806), bursar *ib.*; Jas. Cheyne (d. 1602), head of Donay seminary, student; And. Clark (b. 1826), M.D. of Aberdeen in 1854; Pat. Copland, LL.D. (1749-1822), student and professor of natural philosophy and of mathematics at Marischal Col.; the Banffshire

naturalist, Thos. Edward (1814-86); Rt. Mackenzie Daniel (1814-47), the 'Scotish Boz,' student at Marischal Col.; Thos. Dempster (1879-1625), historian, student; Archibald Forbes (b. 1838), journalist, student; Jn. Forbes (1593-1648), divine, student at King's Col., and minister of St Nicholas; Pat. Forbes (1564-1635), Bishop of Aberdeen from 1618; Wm. Forsyth (d. 1879), poet and journalist; Sir Alexander Fraser (d. 1681), physician to Charles II., student; Simon Fraser, Lord Lovat (1667-1747), student at King's Col.; Al. Gerard, D.D. (1728-95), educated at Grammar School, student at Marischal Col., and professor there of nat. philos. 1752, of divinity 1760, minister of Greyfriars 1759, and prof. of theology at King's Col. 1771; Walter Goodal (1706-66), antiquary, student at King's Col.; Rt. Gordon (1550-1661), geographer and historian, student at Marischal Col.; Sir Wm. Grant (1754-1822), solicitor-general and master of the rolls, student at King's Col.; Gilbert Gray (d. 1614), second principal of Marischal Col., from 1598; Dav. Gregory (1627-1720), mechanician; his brother, James (1638-75), student at Marischal Col., the famous astronomer; Wm. Guthrie (1701-70), historical and miscellaneous writer, student at King's Col.; Rt. Hall (1764-1831), dissenting divine, student *ib.*; Rt. Hamilton, LL.D. (1743-1829), prof. at Marischal Col. of nat. phil. 1779, of math. 1780-1814; Jos. Hume (1777-1855), medical student, and M.P. for Aberdeen 1818; Wm. Hunter (1777-1815), naturalist, student at Marischal Col.; Arthur Johnston (1587-1641), Latin poet, student and rector of King's Col.; Jn. Johnston (1570-1612), Latin poet, student *ib.*; Rev. Alex. Keith, D.D. (1791-1850), student at Marischal Col.; Geo. Keith, fifth Earl Marischal (1553-1623), student of King's, and founder of Marischal Col. in 1593; Bishop Rt. Keith (1681-1757), student at Marischal Col.; John Leslie, Bishop of Ross (1526-96), vicar-general of Aberdeen 1558; Jn. Leslie, Bishop of Raphoe (d. 1671), student; David Low, Bishop of Ross (1768-1855), student and LL.D. of Marischal Col.; Geo. Low (1746-95), naturalist, student; Geo. Macdonald (b. 1824), poet and novelist, student at King's Col.; Wm. Macgillivray, LL.D. (d. 1852), prof. of nat. hist. in Marischal Col. from 1841; Sir Geo. Mackenzie (1636-92), legal antiquary, student; Even MacLachlan (1775-1822), Gaelic poet, bursar of King's Col., and head-master of Grammar School 1819; Colin MacLaurin (1698-1746), math. prof. in Marischal Col. 1717-25; Jn. Maclean, Bishop of Saskatchewan (b. 1828), student; Jas. Macpherson (1738-96), of Ossian celebrity, student at King's Col. 1752; David Mallet (1700-65), poet, educated at Aberdeen; Jas. Marr (1700-61), M.A. of King's Col. 1721, master of Poor's Hospital 1742; Jas. Clerk Maxwell (1831-79), prof. of nat. philos. in Marischal Col. 1856-60; Wm. Meston (1688-1745), burlesque poet, student at Marischal Col., and teacher in Grammar School; Jn. Pringle Nichol (1804-59), astronomer, student at King's Col.; Alexander Nicoll (1793-1828), orientalist, educated at Grammar School and Marischal Col.; Sir Jas. Outram (1805-63), Indian general, student at Marischal Col.; Wm. Robinson Pirie, D.D. (1804-55), divinity professor 1843, principal 1877; Jas. Ramsay (1733-89), philanthropist, bursar of King's Col.; Thos. Reid (1710-96), metaphysician, student and librarian of Marischal Col., prof. of philos. in King's Col. 1752-63; Sir Jn. Rose, Bart. (1820-88), student at King's Col.; Alex. Ross (1699-1784), poet, M.A. of Marischal Col. 1718; Thos. Ruddiman (1674-1757), Latin grammarian, bursar of King's Col. 1690-94; Helenus Scott, M.D. (d. 1821), student; Hy. Scougal (1650-78), prof. of philos. in King's Col. 1669-73; Jas. Sharpe, Archbishop of St Andrews (1613-79), student at Marischal Col.; Bailie Alex. Skene (fl. 1670), historian of Aberdeen; Rev. Jn. Skinner (1721-1807), poet, bursar of Marischal Col.; his son, Jn. Skinner (1743-1816), student at Marischal Col., and Bishop of Aberdeen from 1784; Jn. Spalding (fl. 1624-45), commissary clerk and diarist; and John Stuart, LL.D. (1813-77), antiquary, student. It may be added that about 1715 Rob Roy was staying with his kinsman, Dr Jas. Gregory, prof. of medicine in King's Col.; that

in 1773 Dr Samuel Johnson and Boswell, in their journey through Scotland, put up at the New Inn; and that the poet Burns came to Aberdeen, which he briefly describes, in a short diary of his Highland tour, as 'a lazy town,' 7 Sept. 1787.

The synod of Aberdeen, meeting there on the second Tuesday of April and October, comprises the presbyteries of Aberdeen, Kincardine O'Neil, Alford, Garioch, Ellon, Deer, Turriff, and Fordyce. Within the bounds of this synod there were 83,963 communicants of the Church of Scotland in 1891, and the sums raised by its 149 congregations on behalf of Christian liberality amounted to £29,487. The presbytery of Aberdeen comprises 35 congregations, viz., the 17 Aberdeen churches, and Cults, Banchory-Devenick, Craigiebuckler, Mannofield, Belhelvie, Drumoak, Durris, Dyce, Fintray, Kinnellar, Maryculter, Newhills, New Machar, Nigg, Peterculter, Portlethen, Skene, and Stoneywood. Pop. (1891) 149,898, the communicants numbering 31,246 in that year, and the sums raised for Christian liberality amounting to £17,851.—The Free Church synod, whose presbyteries are identical with those of the Established synod, in 1891 had 112 churches, with 30,841 communicants; its presbytery included 33 congregations with 16,162 communicants—the 23 Aberdeen churches, and Banchory-Devenick, Belhelvie, Blackburn, Cults, Drumoak, Durris, Dyce, Kingswells, Maryculter, Newhills, Peterculter, Skene, Torry, Woodside, and Bourtreebush.—The U.P. presbytery of Aberdeen in 1891 had 3399 members and 15 congregations—the six Aberdeen churches, and Banchory, Craigdam, Ellon, Lynturk, Midmar, Old Meldrum, Shiels (Belhelvie), Stonehaven, and Woodside.—In the Episcopal Church in Scotland, since 1577, there have been seventeen bishops of the diocese of Aberdeen, to which the revived diocese of Orkney was added in 1864. In 1891 the congregations of the 49 churches within the united diocese had 6028 communicants.—After having been vacant for 301 years, the Catholic see of Aberdeen was re-established in 1878; and in its diocese in 1892 there were 60 priests, 34 missions, 54 churches, chapels, and stations, 2 colleges, 8 convents, and 21 congregational schools.

See Bailie Alex. Skene's *Succinct Survey of the famous City of Aberdeen* (1685), W. Thom's *History of Aberdeen* (2 vols., 1811), Wm. Kennedy's *Annals of Aberdeen* (2 vols., 1818), *Extracts from the Council Register of the Burgh of Aberdeen, 1398-1625* (1844-49). Besides the Ordnance 6-inch and $\frac{2\frac{1}{2}}$ maps, there is the Ordnance 1-inch map, sh. 77 (1873).

Aberdeen and Banff Railway, a section of the Great North of Scotland railway, starts from the main line at Inveramsay, 20½ miles NW of Aberdeen. The southern part of it to Turriff (18 miles) was authorised on 15 June 1855, under the title of the Banff, Macduff, and Turriff Junction; was then designed to be prolonged northward to Banff and Macduff; was opened to Turriff, on 5 Sept. 1857; and took the name of the Aberdeen and Turriff Railway on 19 April 1859. The part from Turriff to Banff (11½ miles), authorised on 27 July 1857, under the name of the Banff, Macduff, and Turriff Extension, was opened on 4 June 1860, and was extended from Banff to Macduff (¼ mile) in 1872. The entire system has a total length of 29½ miles, with 10 stations and summit levels of 405 and 374 feet; was incorporated with the Great North of Scotland on 30 July 1866; and is brought into a circle with it by the Banffshire Railway.

Aberdeen Railway, a railway from Aberdeen, south-westward to the centre of Forfarshire. It was authorised on 31 July 1845, and opened on 30 March 1850. It cost very much more per mile than had been estimated, yet a good deal less than either the Scottish Central, the Edinburgh, Perth & Dundee, the North British, or the Caledonian. It commences at Guild Street, adjacent to the upper dock and to the foot of Market Street; crosses the Dee at Polmuir, proceeds by Cove, Portlethen, Newtonhill, and Muchalls, to Stonehaven; goes thence through the fertile district of the

Mearns, by the stations of Drumlithie, Fordoun, Laurencekirk, Marykirk, and Craig, to the northern border of Forfarshire; sends off at Dubton Junction a branch 3 miles and 160 yards eastward to Montrose; sends off again at Bridge-of-Dun Junction a branch of 3 miles and 862 yards westward to Brechin; proceeds by the station of Farnell Road to Guthrie Junction, and makes also a junction with the Arbroath and Forfar railway at Frickheim. That railway, previously formed, was leased to it in 1848, and ultimately incorporated with it. The Aberdeen itself and the Scottish Midland Junction were amalgamated in 1856, under the name of the Scottish North-Eastern; and the Scottish North-Eastern in turn was amalgamated with the Caledonian in 1866; so that the Aberdeen is now the northern part of the Caledonian system. The length of the Aberdeen proper, exclusive of branches, is 49 miles, and inclusive of branches and of the Arbroath and Forfar, is 72 miles.

Aberdeenshire, a maritime county, forming the extreme NE of Scotland, bounded N and E by the German Ocean, S by the counties of Kincardine, Forfar, and Perth, and W by those of Inverness and Banff. Its outline is irregular; but roughly describes an oblong extending from NE to SW. The greatest length, from Cairnbulg Head, on the E side of Fraserburgh Bay, to Cairn Ealer, at the meeting-point with Perth and Inverness shires, is 85½ miles; the greatest breadth, from the mouth of the river Dee to the head-springs of the river Don, is 47 miles; and the circuit line measures some 280 miles, 62 of which are sea-coast. Sixth in size of the Scottish counties, Aberdeenshire has an area of 1970 square miles or 1,251,451 acres. The boundaries of Aberdeenshire were rearranged by the Orders of the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 in so far as they were affected by the neighbouring counties of Banff and Kincardine. Of the parishes partly in Aberdeenshire and partly in Banffshire, Gartly, Glass, New Machar, Old Deer, and St Fergus have been transferred wholly to the county of Aberdeen; while the parishes of Cabrach, Gamrie, Iuverkeithny, Alvah, and Rothiemay have been placed in the county of Banff—the latter four parishes, however (by Section 41 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889), being reserved to Aberdeenshire for public health and road administration. The Banffshire portions of Cairnie and King Edward have been transferred to Banffshire parishes, leaving these two parishes wholly in Aberdeenshire. Of those parishes partly in Aberdeenshire and partly in Kincardineshire, Drumoak has been transferred wholly to the former, and Banchory-Terman to the latter; while the Aberdeenshire portion of Banchory-Devenick has been transferred to the Aberdeenshire parish of Peterculter, the name Banchory-Devenick being now restricted to the Kincardineshire part of the old parish. There has also been extensive readjustment of the interior parishes of the county, for which, however, see the separate articles throughout the work. Aberdeenshire was anciently divided into Buchan in the N, Formartine, Strathbogie, and Garioch in the middle, and Mar in the SW; it is now divided into the districts of Deer, Turriff, Huntly, Garioch, Alford, Ellon, Aberdeen, and Deeside.

The surface, in a general view, consists largely of tame levels or uninteresting undulations, but includes the long splendid valleys of the Don and Dee, and ascends to the grand Grampian knot of the Cairngorm Mountains. The coast is mostly bold and rugged, occasionally rising into precipices, 100 to 150 feet high, and pierced with extensive caverns, but in the southern part, adjacent to Aberdeen, sinks into broad sandy flats. About two-thirds of the entire surface are either moss, moor, hill, or mountain. Much of the scenery is bleak and cheerless, but around some of the larger towns, and along the courses of the principal rivers, it abounds with features of beauty or grandeur. In the SW the Cairngorm and the Grampian Mountains combine, with corries, glens, and valleys among or near them, to form magnificent landscapes; throughout the shire, from N to S, and crosswise from W to E, the following are the chief summits, those marked with asterisks culminating

on the boundary:—Hill of Fishrie (749 feet), Mormond Hill (769), Hill of Shenwall (957), *Meikle Balloch (1199), Clashmach Hill (1229), Corsegricht (619), Dudwick (572), Top of Noth (1851), Hill of Foudland (1509), Core Hill (804), Buck of Cabrach (2368), *Carn Mor (2636), Correen Hills (1699), Caillevar (1747), Bennachie (1698), Hill of Fare (1545), Brimmond Hill (870), Brown Cow Hill (2721), Morven Hill (2862), *Ben Avon (3843), *Braeraich (4248), Cairntoul (4241), Ben Maedhui (4296), Beinn Bhrotain (3795), *An Sgarsoch (3300), *Beinn a' Chaorunn (3553), *Beinn a' Bhuird (3924), Carn Eas (3556), *Beinn Iutharn Mhor (3424), *Cairn na Glasha (3484), Lochnagar (3786), Mount Keen (3077), and Cock Cairn (2387). The principal rivers are the Deveron, rising in the north-west and soon passing into Banffshire; the Bogie, running to the Deveron, about ½ mile below Huntly; the Ugie, running south-eastward to the sea, about a mile N of Peterhead; the Cruden, running eastward to the sea at Cruden Bay; the Ythan, running 33½ miles north-eastward and south-eastward to the sea, a little below Newburgh; the Urie, going south-eastward to the Don, at Inverurie; the Don, rising at an altitude of 1980 feet, adjacent to the county's western boundary, and making a sinuous run eastward of about 82½ miles, all within the county, to the sea in the vicinity of Old Aberdeen; and the Dee, rising on Cairntoul, at 4060 feet above sea-level, and making a sinuous run of about 87 miles, partly through Braemar, partly through the Aberdeen portions of Deeside, and partly along the boundary with Kincardineshire to the sea at Aberdeen. The chief lakes are Lochs Dhu, Muick, Callater, Brothacan, Kin-Ord, Drum, and Strathbeg, but are all small. Granite is the prevailing rock; occurs of various kinds or qualities; forms the great mass of the mountains together with extensive tracts eastward to the sea; has, for about 300 years, been extensively worked; and up to the present time has been in rapidly increasing demand as an article of export. The quantities shipped at ABERDEEN alone are remarkably great. The quarries of it at Kemnay employ about 250 workmen, with the aid of steam power, all the year round, and since 1858, have raised Kemnay from the status of a rural hamlet to that of a small town. Other notable quarries are those of Rubislaw, Selattie, Dancing Cairn, Persley, Cairngall, and Stirling-Hill, near Peterhead. The Kemnay granite has a light colour and a close texture, and owes to these properties its high acceptance in the market. The Rubislaw granite is of a fine dark-blue colour, and was the material used in the construction of great part of Union Street in Aberdeen. The Cairngall granite is small grained, of fine texture, and admirably suited for polishing and for ornamental work; it furnished the sarcophagus for the remains of the late Prince Consort. The Stirling-Hill or Peterhead granite is of a red colour, and of much larger grain than the other granites; it is much used for mural tablets, monumental stones, and ornate pillar shafts. The granites are sometimes associated with gneiss, with Silurian rocks, or with greenstone, basalt, or other traps; and, viewed in connection with these, they form fully eight-ninths of the substrata of the entire county. Devonian rocks occur in the north, underlie the wide level moors and mosses of Buchan, and have yielded millstones in the parish of Aberdeen. Blue slate, two beds of limestone, and a large vein of ironstone occur in Culsalmound parish, forming parts of strata which have been much tilted and deranged; and both the slate and the limestone have been worked. Limestone abounds also in other localities; but, owing to the scarcity of coal, except near a seaport, it cannot be advantageously worked. Beautiful green serpentine, with white and grey spots, occurs in Leslie parish, and is easily wrought into snuff-boxes and ornamental objects. Plumbago and indications of metallic ores have been found in Huntly parish. Gold, in small quantities, has been found in Braemar, and on parts of the coast near Aberdeen. Amethysts, beryls, emeralds, and other precious stones, particularly the species of rock crystal called cairngorms, are found in the moun-

tains of Braemar. Agates, of a fine polish and beautiful variety, have been got on the shore near Peterhead. Asbestos, talc, syenite, and mica also have been found. Mineral springs of celebrated character are at Peterhead and Pannanich.

The surface of the mountains for the most part is either bare rock or such thin poor soil as admits of little or no profitable improvement even for the purposes of hill pasture; that of the moorlands and the mosses comprises many tracts which might be thoroughly reclaimed, and not a few which have, in recent times, been greatly improved; and that of the lowland districts has a very various soil,—most of it naturally poor or churlish, a great deal now transmuted by judicious cultivation into fine fertile mould, and some naturally good diluvium or rich alluvium, now in very productive arable condition. Spongy humus and coarse stiff clays are common in the higher districts; and light sands and finer clays prevail in the valleys and on the seaboard. So great an area as nearly 200,000 acres in Braemar and Crathie is incapable of tillage. Only about 5000 acres in Strathdon parish, containing 47,737 acres, are arable. Nearly 16,000 acres, in a tract of about 40,000 acres between the Dee and the Don, midway between the sources and the mouths of these rivers, are under the plough. The principal arable lands lie between the Don and the Ythan, in Formartine and Garioch, in Strathgogie, and between the Ugie and the sea. Much improvement arose early from the impulse given by the Highland and Agricultural Society of Scotland; and has been vigorously carried forward under impulse of the Garioch Farmer Club (instituted 1808), the Buchan Agricultural Society (1829), the Formartine Agricultural Association (1829), the Vale of Alford Agricultural Association (1831), the Ythaside Farmer Club (1841), the Royal Northern Agricultural Society (1843), the Mar Agricultural Association, the Inverurie Agricultural Association, and many of the greater landed proprietors, and of the most enterprising of the farmers. The recent improvements have comprised, not only extensive reclamation of waste lands, but also more economical methods of cropping, better tillage, better implements, better manuring, better farmyard management, better outhouse treatment of live-stock, and extensive sub-soil draining; and they have resulted in such vast increase of produce from both arable lands and pastures as has changed the county from a condition of constant loss in the balance of agricultural imports and exports, to a condition of constant considerable gain.

According to *Miscellaneous Statistics of the United Kingdom*, 1,255,138 acres, having a total gross estimated rental of £1,118,849, were divided among 7472 landowners; one holding 139,829 acres (rental, £17,740), four together 300,827 (£86,296), five 120,882 (£35,959), fourteen 186,902 (£113,927), twenty-five 179,083 (£123,251), forty-six 153,214 (£131,751), sixty 87,466 (£109,805), fifty-eight 42,037 (£45,992), one hundred and twenty-six 30,441 (£69,691), thirty-eight 2658 (£18,880), one hundred and eighty-two 3822 (£37,745), four hundred and twenty-one 1333 (£50,662), and 6492 holding 2274 acres (£277,150).

Tenantry-at-will is now almost entirely unknown. Tenant-tenure is usually by lease for from 15 to 19 years. The tenant, in the management of his land, was formerly restricted to a 5 years' and a 7 years' course of rotation, but is now generally allowed the option also of a 6 years' course; and he is usually allowed 3 years, after entering on his farm, to determine which of the courses he shall adopt. The 7 years' course commonly gives 1 year to turnips, the next year to barley or oats with grass seeds, the next 3 years to grass fallow or pasture, and the last 2 years to successive crops of oats. That course and the 5 years' one are still the most commonly practised; but the 6 years' course has come into extensive and increasing favour, and is generally regarded as both the most suitable to the nature of the prevailing soil, and the most consonant with the principles of correct husbandry. Arable farms generally rent from

15s. to 30s. per acre; but some near Aberdeen, Peterhead, and Inverurie rent much higher.

The acres under corn crops were 214,676 in 1873, 212,767 in 1880, and 213,955 in 1891; under green crops—106,003 in 1874, 104,203 in 1880, and 101,479 in 1891. Of the total 618,071 acres under crops and grass in 1891, 195,813 were oats, 5 wheat, 91,328 turnips, 266,692 clover, sainfoin, and grasses under rotation, 35,945 permanent pasture, &c. The number of cattle was 133,451 in 1866, 152,106 in 1880, and 174,048 in 1891. The cattle are of various breeds, and have on the whole been highly improved. The small Highland breed was formerly in much request, but has latterly dwindled to comparative insignificance. A few Ayrshire cows have been imported for dairy purposes; but no Ayrshires, and scarcely any Galloways, are bred in the county. One Hereford herd here is the only one in Scotland. The polled Angus or Aberdeen breed has had great attention from Mr M'Combie of Tillyfour; has won him numerous splendid cups, gold medals, silver medals, bronze medals, and upwards of £2500 in money; and has produced some animals of such high qualities as to bring each from 100 to 200 guineas. The same breed was largely kept by the late Colonel Fraser of Castle Fraser, who won a prize for it over Mr M'Combie, besides winning a considerable number of other prizes. Other great breeders of it have been the late Mr Rt. Walker of Portlethen, Mr Geo. Brown of Westertown, Mr Jas. Skinner of Drumin, and Mr Al. Paterson of Mulhen, who have found successors in Mr A. Bowie of Mains of Kelly, Sir Geo. Macpherson Grant of Ballindalloch, Mr Jas. Scott of Easter Tulloch, Mr Wm. Skinner of Drumin, &c. (*Trans. Highl. and Ag. Soc.*) The short-horned breed is raised more numerously in Aberdeenshire than in any other Scottish county. This breed was introduced about 1830, but did not obtain much attention till after 1850; comprises nine celebrated herds (the Sittytton, Kinellar, Kinaldie, Cairnbrogie, &c.), besides many smaller ones; and has sent off to the market, annually for several years, nearly 400 bull calves and about half as many young heifers. The number of sheep was 112,684 in 1856, 158,220 in 1869, 157,105 in 1874, 157,693 in 1880, and 237,894 in 1891. The breeding of sheep is carried on most extensively in the upland districts, and the feeding of them in the middle and lower districts. The upland flocks move to the lowlands of Aberdeenshire and the adjoining counties about November, and do not return till April. Black-faced wethers, 2, 3, and even 4 years old, are, on some farms on the lower districts, fed with grass in summer, and with turnips and straw in winter. Black-faced sheep constitute more than one-half of all the sheep in the uplands; and also are extensively bred in the inland districts of Braemar, Strathdon, Glenbuckel, Corgariff, Cromar, Cabraich, and Rhynie, but not in the lower districts. Cross-breeds are not so numerous as the black-faced, yet form extensive flocks, and are fed for the slaughter-market. Leicesters have, for a number of years, been extensively bred, and they form fine flocks at Pitmedden, Fornot-Skene, Gownar, Old Meldrum, Strichen Mains, and some other places. There are no pure Cheviots, and few Southdowns. The number of horses was 24,458 in 1869, 23,202 in 1873, 26,851 in 1880, and 27,686 in 1891, of which 199 were kept solely for breeding. They are partly Clydesdales, Lincolns, and crosses; and though not very heavy, may, for the most part, stand comparison with the average of horses throughout the best part of Scotland. The number of pigs was 7773 in 1869, 10,565 in 1874, 7240 in 1880, and 12,588 in 1891. The accommodation for farm servants is better than it was, but still not so good as could be desired. The farm-house kitchens are still the abodes of the majority of the servants; and homes for the families of the married men cannot, in many instances, be found nearer than 8, 10, and even 20 miles. Handsome cottages for servants have been built by the Duke of Richmond on several of his larger farms in the Strathgogie districts; and these, it is hoped, may serve as models for similar buildings on other estates.

Farm servants' wages are about double what they were 50 years ago. Feeding markets, believed to have an injurious effect on the morals of the agricultural labourers, are being superseded by a well-organised system of local registration offices.

Orchards cover 11 acres, market gardens 411, nursery grounds 136; and altogether there are 108,858 acres of woods and plantations within the shire. About 175,000 acres are disposed in deer forests. A great deal of land in the upper part of the Dee Valley, previously under the plough, or used as sheep pasture, has been converted, during the last 50 years, into deer forest. Large portions of Braemar, Glentanner, and Mortlach are still covered with natural wood. 'The mountains there seem to be divided by a dark sea of firs, whose uniformity of hue and appearance affords inexpressible solemnity to the scene, and carries back the mind to those primeval ages when the axe had not invaded the boundless region of the forest.' The Scotch pine is very generally distributed, and flourishes up to 1500 feet above sea-level, as also does the larch. Birch, alder, poplar and other trees likewise abound (*Trans. Highland and Agricultural Society*). Grouse, black game, the hedgehog, the otter, the badger, the stoat, the polecat, and the wild-cat are indigenous. Salmon used to be very plentiful in the Dee and the Don, but, of late years, have greatly decreased. About 20,000 salmon and 40,000 grilises, inclusive of those taken by stake nets, and at the beach adjacent to the river's mouth, are still in an average season captured in the Dee. The yellow trout of the Dee are both few and small. A small variety of salmon is got in Loch Callater, and excellent red trout in Loch Brothacan. So many as 3000 salmon and grilises were caught in a single week of July 1849 at the mouth of the river Don. Salmon, sea-trout, yellow trout, and a few pike are got in the Don. Pearls are found in the Ythan; and the large pearl in the crown of Scotland is believed to have been found at the influx of Kelly Water to the Ythan. Salmon, sea-trout, and finnocks, in considerable numbers, ascend the Ythan. Salmon ascend also the Ugie; finnocks abound near that river's mouth; and burn-trout are plentiful in its upper reaches and affluents. Tench, carp, and Loch Leven trout are in an artificial lake of about 50 acres at Pitfour. Red trout, yellow trout, and some perch are in Loch Strathbeg. Herrings, cod, ling, hake, whiting, haddock, halibut, turbot, sole, and skate abound in the sea along the coast; and are caught in great quantities by fishermen at and near the stations of Aberdeen, Peterhead, and Fraserburgh.

The manufactures of Aberdeenshire figure principally in Aberdeen and its immediate neighbourhood, but are shared by some other towns and by numerous villages. The woollen trade, in the various departments of tweeds, carpets, winceys, and shawls, has either risen, or is rising to great prominence; but is seated principally in Aberdeen and its near vicinity, and has been noticed in our article on Aberdeen. The linen trade, as to both yarn and cloth, has figured largely in the county since about 1745; and is seated chiefly at Aberdeen, Peterhead, and Huntly. The cotton trade employed 1448 hands in 1841, but has declined. Paper-making is carried on more extensively in Aberdeenshire than in any other Scottish county excepting that of Edinburgh. One firm alone has a very large mill for writing-paper at Stoneywood, another mill for envelopes at what is called the Union Paper-works, a third for coarse papers at Woodside; employs upwards of 2000 persons; and turns out between 60 and 70 tons of paper, cards, and cardboard, and about 6,000,000 envelopes every week. Rope-making, comb-making, boot and shoe making, iron-founding, machine-making, ship-building, and various other crafts, likewise employ very many hands. The leather trade proper makes little figure within the county, but elsewhere is largely upheld by constant supplies of hides to the Aberdeen market. The number of cattle killed for export of dead meat from Aberdeen is so great, that the hides sold annually at that port amount to an average of considerably more than 40,000. The commerce of the county is given under its two head ports, ABERDEEN and PETER-

HEAD. The tolls were abolished at Whitsunday 1866; the roads have since been managed by trusts, and are being kept in repair by means of an assessment. The railways are the Caledonian and the Great North of Scotland; and, with the sections of the latter, the Aberdeen and Banff, the Inverurie and Old Meldrum, the Alford Valley, the Formartine and Buchan, and the Deeside, they are separately noticed.

The royal burghs are Aberdeen, Inverurie, and Kintore; a principal town and parliamentary burgh is Peterhead; and other towns and principal villages are—Huntly, Fraserburgh, Turriff, Old Meldrum, Old Deer, Tarland, Stewartfield, St Combs, Boddam, Roseheart, Inverallochy, Cairnbulg, Ellon, Newburgh, Colliston, New Pitsligo, Banchory, Aboyne, Ballater, Castleton of Braemar, Cuminstown, Newbyth, Fyvie, Insch, Rhyne, Lumsden, Alford, Kennay, Auchmill, Bankhead, Burnhaven, Buchanhaven, Broadsea, Garmond, Gordon Place, Longside, Mintlaw, Aberdour, New Deer, Strichen, and Woodend. The chief seats are—Balmoral Castle, Abergeldie Castle, Huntly Lodge, Aboyne Castle, Slains Castle, Keith Hall, Mar Lodge, Skene House, Dalgety Castle, Duncht House, Haddo House, Philorth Castle, Castle-Forbes, Logie-Elphinstone, Westhall, Crinnomogate, Newe, Edinglassie, Fintray House, Craigerav Castle, Monymusk, Hatton House, Pitmedden House, Finzean, Invercauld, Ballogie, Castle Fraser, Countesswells, Clunie, Learney, Drum, Grandholm, Haughton, Ward House, White Haugh, Leith Hall, Mount-Stuart, Rothie, Fyvie House, Rayne, Manar, Freefield, Warthill, Pitcaple, Meldrum, Auchnacroy, Ellon House, Brucklay Castle, Tillyfour, and Pitlury.

The county is governed (1891) by a lord-lieutenant, a vice-lieutenant, 58 deputy-lieutenants, a sheriff, 2 sheriffs-substitute, 3 honorary sheriffs-substitute, and 334 magistrates; and is divided, for administration, into the districts of Braemar, Deeside, Aberdeen, Alford, Huntly, Turriff, Garioch, Ellon, Deer, and New Machar. Besides the courts held at ABERDEEN, a sheriff court is held at Peterhead on every Friday, and sheriff small debt circuit courts are held at Huntly and Turriff once every 3 months. The County Council is composed of sixty elected members and five representatives of royal and parliamentary burghs (Peterhead, three; Inverurie and Kintore, one each). There are seven committees of the Council—the Finance Committee, the County Road Board, the County Valuation Committee, the Public Health Committee, the Bills Committee, the Executive Committee under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, and the General Purposes Committee. The convener and vice-convener are members of all committees. The Standing Joint-Committee of County is partly elected by the County Council and partly by the Commissioners of Supply, while the Aberdeen District Board of Lunacy is elected partly by the County Council and partly by the Town Council. The prisons are the new Prison of ABERDEEN, and the police cells of Peterhead, Huntly, and Fraserburgh, all three legalised in 1874 for periods not exceeding 3 days. The police force in 1891, exclusive of that for Aberdeen burgh, comprised 97 men; and the salary of the chief constable was £440. The annual value of real property in 1815 was £325,218; in 1843, £605,802; in 1888, £929,884, including £48,728 for railways, and in 1891, £814,887, and of railways, etc., £57,972. The county, exclusive of the burghs, sent 1 member to parliament prior to the Reform Act of 1867; but by that Act it was constituted into two divisions, eastern and western, each sending 1 member. The constituency in 1891, of the eastern division, was 11,803; of the western division, 10,027. The population in 1801 was 121,065; in 1811, 133,871; in 1821, 155,049; in 1831, 177,657; in 1841, 192,387; in 1851, 212,032; in 1861, 221,569; in 1871, 244,603; in 1881, 267,990; in 1891, 281,332, of whom 133,861 were males and 147,471 were females.

The registration county gives off parts of Banchory-Ternan and Banchory-Devenick parishes to Kincardineshire, and takes in part of Drumoak parish from the same county, and parts of Cabrach, Cairney, Gartly,

Glass, New Machar, and Old Deer from Banffshire—all as constituted prior to their rearrangement in 1891; it comprises 82 parishes, and had in 1891 a population of 251,963. Two parishes, Aberdeen & St Nicholas and Old Machar, have each a poorhouse and a poor law administration; and 10, forming Buchan combination, have a poorhouse dating from 1869. The percentage of illegitimate births is about 13. The climate is far from unhealthy, and, while varying much in different parts, is on the whole mild. The temperature of the mountainous parts, indeed, is about the lowest in Scotland; and the rainfall in the aggregate of the entire area is rather above the mean. The winters are not so cold as in the southern counties, and the summers are not so warm or long. The mean temperature, noted from observations extending over a period of 13 years, is 46·7 at Aberdeen and 43·6 at Braemar 1114 feet above sea-level.

Religious statistics have been already given under Aberdeen; in 1891 the county had 264 public and 48 non-public but State-aided schools—in all, 312 schools—with accommodation for 54,800 children, 51,261 scholars on the registers, and an average attendance of 41,750.

The territory now forming Aberdeenshire was anciently inhabited by the Caledonian Taexali. Many cairns and other antiquities, commonly assigned to the Caledonian times, are in the upland districts. A so-called Pict's house is at Aboyne; vitrified forts are at Insch and Rhynie; and a notable standing-stone, the Maiden Stone, is in Chapel-of-Garioch. Old castles are at Abergeldie, Boddam, Corgarrif, Coul, Dundargue, Dunideer, Fedderate, Lesmore, Slains, and other places. Chief septs, in times down almost to the present day, have been the Farquharsons, the Forbeses, and the Gordons. Principal events were the defeat of Comyn by Bruce, at the 'herschip of Buchan,' near Barrahill; the defeat of Donald of the Isles by the Earl of Mar, in 1411, at Harlaw; the lesser conflicts of Corrie, Alford, and the Craibstone; and other incidents noticed under ABERDEEN. See Jos. Robertson's *Collections for a History of the Shires of Aberdeen and Banff* (5 vols., Spalding Club, 1847-69), and Al. Smith's *New History of Aberdeenshire* (2 vols., 1875).

Aberdona, an estate, with a mansion, in Clackmannan parish, 5 miles ENE of Alloa.

Aberdour (Gael. *abhir-dur*, 'confluence of the stream'), a village and a parish of SW Fife. The village lies just to the W of Whitesands Bay, a curve of the Firth of Forth (here 4½ miles wide), and is 3 miles W by S of Burntisland station, and 7½ NW of Leith, with which in summer it holds steamboat communication several times a day. Sheltered on the E by Hawkraig cliff (270 feet), northward by Hillside and the Cullalo Hills, it nestles among finely wooded glades; commands a wide prospect of the Firth's southern shores, of Edinburgh, and of the Pentland range beyond; and by its good sea-bathing and mild climate draws many visitors, for whose accommodation a terrace of superior villas has been built along the Shore Road, on sites belonging to the Earl of Morton. There is a station here of the railway from Burntisland to Inverkeithing in connection with the Forth Bridge scheme. The village proper, standing at the mouth of the Dour Burn, consists of 3 parts—Old Town to the NE, Aberdour in the middle, and New Town to the SW. It has a good tidal harbour with a picturesque old pier; is supplied with water at an annual cost of about £2000; contains the parish church (erected in 1790), the Free church, inns, insurance offices, a railway station post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, and an hospital for 4 widows, founded by Anne, countess of the second Earl of Moray. Here, too, were formerly St Martha's nunnery of St Claire (1474) and the hospital of SS Mary and Peter (1487), and here, concealed by brushwood, still stand the ruins of St Fillan's Church (c. 1178), with a S aisle, a porch, and the grave of the Rev. Robert Blair (1583-1666), Charles I.'s chaplain, who, banished from St Andrews by Archbishop Sharp, died in this parish at Meikle Couston.

Steps lead from the churchyard to the broad southern terrace of Aberdour Castle, a ruinous mansion of the Earls of Morton and Barons Aberdour (1458), held by their ancestors since 1351, earlier by Viponts and by Mortimers. Its oldest portion, a massive keep tower, is chiefly of rough rubble work, with dressed quoins and windows; additions, bearing date 1632, and highly finished, mark the transition from Gothic forms to the unbroken lines of Italian composition that took place during the 17th century. Accidentally burned 150 years since, this splendid and extensive pile has formed a quarry to the entire neighbourhood (Ballings, i., plate 12). An oyster-bed in Whitesands Bay employs, with wheel-picking and fishing, a few of the villagers.

The parish, formed in 1640 by disjunction from Beath and Dalgety, contains also the village of Donibristle Colliery, and includes the island of INCHCOLM, lying 1½ mile to the S, and until 1891 Kilrie Yetts (detached, 132½ acres). Its main body is bounded N by Beath, NE by Auchtertool, E by Kinghorn and Burntisland, S by the Firth of Forth, and W by Dalgety and Dunfermline. Its length from NW to SE is 4½ miles, its breadth varies between 1½ and 3¼ miles; and the total area is 6059½ acres, of which 85 are foreshore. This area, however, was reduced by the transference of the above-mentioned detached portion to the parish of Kinghorn by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. The coast is nearly 2 miles long. The western part of the parish rises gently inland, and is feathered and flecked with plantations; the eastern is steep and rugged, with shaggy woods descending to the water's edge. From NE to SW the Cullalo Hills, 400 to 600 feet in height, intersect the parish; and the tract to the S of them is warm and genial, exhibiting a wealth of natural and artificial beauty, but that to the N lies high, and, with a cold sour soil, presents a bleak, forbidding aspect. Near the western border, from S to N, three summits rise to 499, 513, and 500 feet; on the south-eastern are two 574 and 540 feet high; and Moss Moran in the N, which is traversed by the Dunfermline branch of the North British railway, has elevations of 472 and 473 feet. About 1200 acres are either hill pasture or waste; some 1800 are occupied by woods, whose monarchs are 3 sycamores, 78, 74, and 78 feet high, with girths at 1 foot from the ground of 16½, 20½, and 13½ feet. The rocks are in some parts eruptive, while in others they are carboniferous; there is one colliery, the Donibristle, and fossiliferous limestone and sandstone are also extensively quarried. Mansions are Hillside, Whitehill, and Cuttlehill; and the chief landowners are the Earls of Morton and Moray, each holding an annual value of over £2000. Five others hold each £500 and upwards, 5 from £100 to £500, 4 from £50 to £100, and 19 from £25 to £50. At Hillside 'Christopher North,' the Ettrick Shepherd, and others of the celebrated *Wocets*, met often round the board of Mr Stuart of Duneary; at Humble Farm Carlyle wrote part of *Frederick the Great*. But (*pace* Sir Walter Scott) Aberdour's best title to fame rests on the grand old ballad of *Sir Patrick Spens*. A baron, it may be, of Wormieston in Crail, that sleeky skipper conveyed in 1281 the Princess Margaret from Dunfermline to Norway, there to be wedded to King Eric; of his homeward voyage the ballad tells us how—

'Half owre, half owre to Aberdour
It's fifty fathoms deep,
And there lies good Sir Patrick Spens,
Wi' the Scots lords at his feet.'

This parish is now in the presbytery of Dunfermline and synod of Fife; and anciently it belonged to Inchcolm Abbey, its western half having been granted by Alan de Mortimer, for leave of burial in the abbey church. The bargain was broken, for 'carrying his corpse in a coffin of lead by barge in the night-time, some wicked monks did throw the same in a great deep betwixt the land and the monastery, which to this day, by neighbouring fishermen and salters, is called *Mortimer's Deep*.' The minister's income is £330. There are 2 board-schools, at Aberdour and Donibristle, with respective ac-

accommodation for 184 and 167 scholars, the latter having been rebuilt in 1880 at a cost of £1500. These had (1891) an average attendance of 127 and 138, and grants of £82, 2s. and £126, 18s. Valuation (1891) £14,644, Os. 4d. Pop. (1801) 1260, (1831) 1751, (1851) 1945, (1871) 1697, (1881) 1736, (1891) 1977. See M. White's *Beauties and Antiquities of Aberdour* (1869), and W. Ross' *Aberdour and Inverholm* (1885).—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Aberdour, a village and a coast parish of N Aberdeenshire. The village, called commonly New Aberdour, having been founded in 1798 in lieu of an old kirk-hamlet, stands 7 furlongs inland, at an altitude of 337 feet, and is 8 miles W by S of its post-town Fraserburgh, 6½ NW of Strichen station. It has a post office with money order and savings bank departments, 2 inns, and fairs on Monday week before 26 May and on 22 Nov.; at it are the parish church, a Free church, and an Episcopal church. Pop. (1891) 620.

The parish contains, too, the fishing village of Pennan, 3½ miles WNW. It is bounded N by the Moray Firth, NE by Pitsligo, SE by Tyrie, S by New Deer, W by Aylah and by Gamrie in Banffshire. From N to S its greatest length is 6½ miles; its width from E to W tapers southward from 5½ miles to ¾ mile; and its land area is now 14,026 acres. A detached portion (1482 acres) lying 1½ mile from the SE border was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 to Strichen parish. The seaboard, 6 miles long, is bold and rocky, especially to the W, presenting a wall of stupendous red sandstone cliffs, from 50 to 419 feet high, with only three openings where boats can land. Of numerous caverns, one, called Cowshaven, in the E, afforded a hiding-place after Culloden to Alexander Forbes, last Lord Pitsligo (1678-1762); another, in the bay of Nethermill of Auchmedden, was entered, according to legend, by a piper, who 'was heard playing *Lochaber no more* a mile farther ben', and himself was no more seen. Inland, the surface is level comparatively over the eastern portion of the parish, there attaining 124 feet at Quarry Head, 222 at Egypt, 194 at Dundarg, 248 at Coburty, and 443 at North Cowfords; but W of the Dour it is much more rugged, rising, from N to S, to 522 feet near Pennan Farm, 590 near West Mains, 670 near Tongue, 703 on Windyheads Hill, 612 near Glenhouses, 723 near Greens of Auchmedden, 487 near Braeklamore, and 524 at Mid Cowbog. This western portion is separated from Banffshire by the Torr Burn, and through it 3 deep ravines, the Dens of Troup, Auchmedden, and Aberdour, each with its headlong rivulet, run northward to the sea; but the drainage of the southern division is carried eastward, through Glasslaw Den, by Gonar Burn, the Ugie's northern headstream (Smiles' *Scotch Naturalist*, ch. viii.) The prevailing rocks, red sandstone and its conglomerates, belong to the oldest Secondary formation, and are quarried for building material, as formerly at Pennan for millstones; the soils are various, ranging from fertile loamy clay in the north-eastern low lands to very deep peat earth on the south-western moors. Antiquities are 'Picts' houses,' near Earls Seat; the Cairn of Coburty, said to commemorate a Danish defeat; the ruined pre-Reformation chapel of Chapel den; and on the coast to the NE of the village, crowning a sandstone peninsula 63 feet high, the scanty vestiges of Dundargue Castle, built by the Englishman, Henry de Beaumont, fifth Earl of Buchan in right of his wife, and captured from him by the regent, Sir Andrew Moray (1333). Some will have this to be the Aberdour of the 'grand old ballad of *Sir Patrick Spens*;' at least its church of St Drostan, at the mouth of the Dour, was certainly founded by St Columba in the latter half of the 6th century. 'With Drostan, his pupil, he came from *Hi*, or Iona, as God had shown to them, unto *Abbordoir*, or Aberdour, and Bede the *Cruithnech*, or Pict, was Mormaer of Buchan before him; and it was he that gave them that *cathair*, or town, in freedom for ever from Mormaer and Toisech' (Skene's *Celt. Scot.*) The chief estates are Aberdour (transferred to Strichen parish in 1891) and Auchmedden, belonging to the Fordeyses of Brucklay Castle in New Deer and the Bairds of Cambusdon in Ayr, who own respectively 20,899 and 5979

acres in Aberdeenshire, valued at £12,744 and £2704 per annum; whilst 71 proprietors hold a yearly value in this parish of under £100. Purchased by the Gartsherrie Bairds in 1854, Auchmedden belonged from 1569 to 1750 to their more ancient namesakes, whose last male representative, Wm. Baird (1701-77), compiled the interesting *Genealogical Collections concerning the Bairds of Auchmedden, Newbyth, and Saughtonhall* (2d. ed., Lond. 1870). Parts of the civil parish (with about 260 inhabitants) are included in the *quoad sacra* parishes of New Byth and New Pitsligo; the rest forms a *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Deer and synod of Aberdeen, the living being worth £294. Three public schools—Aberdour, Auchmedden, and Glasslaw—with respective accommodation for 259, 114, and 70 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 154, 92, and 44, and grants of £163, 12s., £62, 9s., and £45, 3s. Valuation, £8671, 16s. 3d. Pop. (1801) 1304, (1841) 1645, (1861) 1997, (1871) 2176, (1891) 2019; of registration district (1871) 1946, (1881) 1931, (1891) 1835.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 97, 1876.

Aberfeldy (*Abyrfeldybyeg* in 1301; Gael. *abhir-feath-aille*, 'calm smooth confluence'), a police burgh (1887) formerly in detached portions of Dull and Logierait parishes, central Perthshire, but transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 wholly to the parish of Dull, at the terminus of a branch of the Highland railway, 8½ miles W by S of Ballinluig Junction, 32½ NW of Perth, and 79½ NNW of Edinburgh. It stands on both sides of Urkar Burn, 1 mile below its lovely Falls of Moness, and 3 furlongs S of its influx to the Tay; which latter river is spanned, ¼ mile WNW of the village, by a five-arched bridge, erected by General Wade in 1733, and variously described as 'elegant and substantial' by guide-books, by Dorothy Wordsworth as 'of ambitious and ugly architecture.' At least, this bridge commands a noble view down the Tay, eastward, to Grantully Castle; up the Tay, westward, to Castle Menzies and Taymouth Castle, the Strath of Appin, and Glen Lyon; southward of the narrow Glen of Moness,—all set in an amphitheatre of high ribbed hills. Within a radius of some 6 miles, from E to W, rise Grantully Hill (1717 feet), Stron a Ghamhuinn (1208), Meall Dearg (2258), Monadh nam Mial (1975), Meall Dubh (2021), Meall Dun Dhomhnuill (2061), and Craig Hill (1845) to the S of the Tay; and, to the N, the Bonnets (1338), Ben Eagach (2259), Farragon Hill (2559), Weem Hill (1638), Meall Tarruinn'chon (2559), and Craig Odhar (1710), beyond which last Schiehallion (3547) and Carn Maig (3419) appear their loftier summits. Strange that with such surroundings Aberfeldy should most be famed for what it has not, and seemingly never had, the 'birks' of Burns's lyric* :—

'The braes ascend like lofty wa's,
The foaming stream deep-roaring fa's,
O'erhung w' fragrant spreading shaws,
The birks of Aberfeldy.
The hoary cliffs are crown'd w' flowers,
White o'er the linn the burale pours,
And, rising, weets w' misty showers
The birks of Aberfeldy.'

The date of Burns's visit was 29 Aug. 1787, of Wordsworth's and his sister's 5 Sept. 1803; and the Queen has driven twice through Aberfeldy, 7 Sept. 1842 and 3 Oct. 1866. On a field here, in 1739, the famous 'Black Watch' was first embodied (this title being acquired from their dark tartan uniform), to commemorate which a monument was erected in 1887 in the shape of a cairn, at a cost of about £500. The town is governed by a chief magistrate and eight commissioners. A new public library, reading and recreation rooms in the Town Hall buildings were opened Dec. 5, 1891. Aberfeldy is held, with few exceptions, under building leases of 99 years from the Marquis of Breadalbane, its sole proprietor; and it has recently been much improved, being lighted with gas, and furnished since 1875 with a

* Rowans there are in abundance, and a myth has of course arisen that these have superseded the birks; but the absence of the latter from Aberfeldy in 1803 is as certain as their presence at ABERFELDY years before Burns's day.

thorough drainage system and public waterworks. It has a head post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland, the Commercial Bank, and the Union Bank of Scotland, two large hotels, a Young Men's Christian Association hall (1881), a literary society, a choral union, curling, cricket, and bowling clubs, a dyework, 2 saw-mills, and a woollen factory. A sheriff small-debt court sits on the Monday following the first Saturday of April, August, and December; and cattle sales are held on alternate Thursdays, fairs on the first Thursday of January (old style), the Tuesday of March after Perth, the last Friday of July (old style), and the Thursday of October before Doune November Tryst. To a Free church (Gaelic, 800 sittings) in the presbytery of Breadalbane and synod of Perth and Stirling, a Congregational church (1817; 700 sittings), and a Baptist church (60 sittings), there has been lately added an Established church; and Aberfeldy has besides a Roman Catholic station, occasionally served from Ballechin; whilst at Weem, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW, is St David's Episcopal Church (1877). One public school, with accommodation for 323 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 222, and a grant of £215, 9s. Pop. (1841) 910, (1861) 1145, (1871) 1159, (1881) 1260, (1891) 1469—916 in Dull, 553 in Logierait. Pop. of registration district, including parts of Dull, Logierait, Fortingall, Kenmore, and Weem (1861) 2402, (1871) 2286, (1881) 2268, (1891) 2278.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 55, 1869.

Aberfoyle (Gael. *abhir-a-phuill*, 'confluence of the pool'), a hamlet and a parish on the SW border of Perthshire. The hamlet stands, towards the south-eastern corner of the parish, on the left bank of the Laggan, here crossed by a high and narrow three-arched bridge. It is 4 miles S by W of the Trossachs, and 7 NNW of Buchlyvie station, this being $15\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Stirling, and $14\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Balloch; by the Strathendric and Aberfoyle railway this clachan, made classic by Scott's novel of *Rob Roy*, is brought into direct connection with the railway system of Scotland. It has a post office under Stirling, with money order and savings' bank departments, an orphanage, and an excellent hotel, the 'Baillie Nicol Jarvie,' successor to the celebrated 'Clachan,' whose site, about 1 mile westward, is marked by only a few large stones. Across the bridge, 3 furlongs SSW, is the parish church (rebuilt 1744; repaired 1839; and seated for 250); and on this bridge, or its predecessor, a fray took place between a christening party of the Grahams of Duchray and the followers of the Earl of Airhand Monteith, 13 Feb. 1671 (*Chambers' Dom. An.*, il. 309, 310). A cattle fair is held on the third Tuesday of April, a lamb fair on the Friday before the third Tuesday of August, and a cattle and hiring fair on the last Tuesday of October.

The parish is bounded, N by Loch Katrine, Achray Water, Loch Achray, Dubh Abhainn, and the head of Loch Venachar, which separate it from Callander; E by Loch Drunkie and Port of Monteith; and S, SW, and W by Stirlingshire, being parted for $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles by Duchray Water from Drymen and Buchanan parishes. The greatest length, from near Loch ARKLET at the north-western to Cobleland at the south-eastern angle, is $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its width from NE to SW ranges between 24 and 6 miles; and its area is 29,215 acres, of which 2405 are water. Twenty-two rivulets flow northward into Loch KATRINE, 2 into Achray Water, 2 into Loch ACHRAY, and 2 into Loch VENACHAR, while 3 more run eastward to Loch DRUNKIE; but the drainage generally is carried east-south-eastward, belonging to the basin of the two head-streams of the FORTH—the Avondu and Duchray Water. The former, rising close to the western boundary, has a course of about 9 miles, and traverses Lochs CHOX and ARD; the latter, rising on the slopes of Ben Lomond (3192 feet) in Buchanan, flows $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile north-eastward through the interior of Aberfoyle, and joins the Avondu near the old Clachan. Thence, as the shallow Laggan, their united waters wind $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles down the narrow Pass of Aberfoyle, beneath the precipices of Craigmore, to Cobleland, where they enter Port of Monteith. Loch

Katrine lies 364 feet above sea-level; and the Inversnaid Road, leading up the valley of the Laggan and Avondu, has an altitude of 66 feet near the hamlet, of 112 feet towards the head of Loch Arl, of 299 at the foot of Loch Chon, and of 571 at 1 mile NNW of its head. A region of glens and mountains, of rivers, cascades, and lakes, of oak and birch woods, Aberfoyle is for ever associated with the scenes of Scott's *Lady of the Lake*, *Waverley*, and *Rob Roy*; the last describes its little vale, its beautiful river, the bare yet romantic ranges of rock that hedge the landscape in on either side and form a magnificent background, while far to the eastward a glance is caught of the Loch of Monteith, and of Stirling Castle, dimly descried, along with the blue and distant line of the Ochils. From W to E rise Meall Meadhonach (893 feet), Caisteal Corrach (1075), Druim nan Càrn (1500), Sròn Lochie (1643), Beinn Bhreac (2295), 'huge' BEN VENUE (2393), Beinn an Fhogharaidh (2000), Craigmore (1271), Dùn nam Muc (695), and Meall Ear (1091), to the N of the Avondu and Laggan; to the S are Beinn Uaimbe (1962) on the western border, Beinn Dubh (1675) and Mulan an t-Sagairt (1398) on the south-western, Coire Eirigh (852), Innis Arl (566), Bad Dearg (533), and Arndrum (454). The rocks include trap, conglomerate, a fissile slate of excellent roofing quality, and hard, blue, white-veined limestone, of which the two last have long been regularly worked. The glens are so small—none more than 1 mile in length and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in breadth—that the arable area is very limited, and what there is has mostly been reclaimed from heath, to which it would revert if let to lie fallow for a year or two. The lands of Aberfoyle, supposed to have anciently belonged to the neighbouring priory of Inchmahome, were disposed of by the second and last Earl of Airth (d. 1694) to James, third Marquis and first Duke of Montrose, whose great-great-grandson, the fifth duke, is owner of the entire parish. Among its ministers were, Robert Kirk (d. 1692), translator of the Psalms into Gaelic verse; William Fisher (d. 1732), the last Episcopal clergyman who held a benefice in Scotland; and Patrick Graham, author of *Sketches Descriptive of Picturesque Scenery on the Southern Confines of Perthshire* (1806); whilst natives were the Shakespearian critic, William Richardson (1743-1814), and the poet William Glen, writer of 'Wae's me for Prince Charlie.' Among its traditions is the defeat, in 1653, of Colonel Reid, a Cromwellian leader, by Graham of Duchray, at the Pass of Aberfoyle. The principal residences—Glashart, Lochard Lodge, Ledard, Bhàrthulachan, and Couligartan—lie all around Loch Arl. Aberfoyle is in the presbytery of Dunblane and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £295. Two public schools, at the hamlet and at Kinlochard (5 miles W by N), with respective accommodation for 72 and 65 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 50 and 41, and grants of £40, 11s. and £50, 7s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £7376, 9s. 3d. The population of the parish of Aberfoyle in 1891 was 1023.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 38, 1871.

Abergeldie (Gael. *abhir-gile*, 'confluence of the clear stream'), the Highland residence of the Prince of Wales, in Crathie and Braemar parish, SW Aberdeenshire, stands, at an altitude of 840 feet, on the right bank of the Dee, 6 miles above Ballater, and 2 below Balmoral. Behind it rises Craig-na-Ban, a rounded granitic hill, 1736 feet high; and cairn-crowned Geallaig (2439 feet) fronts it across the river, which at this point is spanned by a curious 'rope-and-cradle' bridge. The Castle is a massive and imposing building, its oldest part a turreted square block-tower; the estate, extending 10 miles along Deeside, is finely planted with old Scotch firs, larch, and the natural birch, mixed in the private grounds with spruce, ash, plane, and sycamore. The Birks, indeed, of Abergeldie are celebrated in a time-honoured melody, though Burns capriciously transferred their fame to Aberfeldy, where (*coste* Dorothy Wordsworth) no birks were to be seen in 1803. Sir Alexander Gordon, son of the first Earl of Huntly, acquired the lands of Abergeldie in 1482; in 1848 the late Prince Consort purchased the lease of them for 40 years. The Duchess of Kent

spent several autumns here between 1850 and 1861; and here the Empress Eugénie passed the October following the loss of the Prince Imperial (1879).

Aberiachan, a rivulet on the confines of the parishes of Inverness and Urquhart, Inverness-shire. It traverses romantic scenery; makes a succession of falls, from 10 to 30 feet in leap; and enters the lower part of Loch Ness, about 9 miles from Inverness. A spar cave adjacent to it, and to the road from Inverness to Fort Augustus, was discovered not many years ago; measures about 21 feet in length, from 6 to 12 feet in height, and from 3 to 6 feet in width, and makes an interesting display of stalactites and stalagmites.

Aberlady (anc. *Aberlfdli* = Gael. *abhir-loibh-aite*, 'confluence of the smooth place'), a village and a coast parish of NW Haddingtonshire. The village stands at the mouth of the sluggish Peffer Burn, 3 miles NE of Longniddry station, and 5½ NW of Haddington. Consisting chiefly of one long street of good appearance, it is an occasional resort of sea-bathers from Haddington; has a post office under Longniddry, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a hotel, and some good shops; is lighted with gas; and in 1891 had a population of 505.

The parish is bounded N by Dirleton, E and SE by Haddington, S by Gladsuir, and W by the Firth of Forth. It has an equal extreme length and breadth of 3½ miles; its area is 4928 acres, of which 21½ are links, 581 foreshore, and 6 water. The surface rises very slowly from the shore, nowhere much exceeds 200 feet of elevation, and is mostly flat, yet has a pleasant aspect, abounding in artificial adornment, and commanding views of the Firth and its shores away to the Lomond hills, the Edinburgh heights, the Pentlands, and the Grampians. The coast is everywhere low, and has a great breadth of foreshore. Vessels of 60 or 70 tons can ascend the channel of the Peffer, at spring tides, to within a few hundred yards of the village, and lie tolerably secure; but they cannot easily go out during a westerly wind. The harbour or anchorage-ground belongs to Haddington, in capacity of a port; but it is practically of little or no value, as the trade is trivial. A belt of links, or low flat sandy downs, skirts much of the shore, and is tunneled by rabbit-holes; the land thence inward, though now well cultivated and productive, appears to have been, at no very distant period, swampy and worthless. The soil there is light and sandy; further back is clay, not naturally fertile; and further inland to the eastern border, is of excellent quality. The Peffer is the only stream of any size; and water for the use of the inhabitants is chiefly obtained from wells, being good and abundant. The rocks are partly eruptive, but mainly of the Carboniferous formation. Limestone and sandstone abound, but are not worked; and coal, in connection with the great coalfield of Midlothian, is believed to extend under a considerable area, but not in conditions likely to compensate mining. Kilspondley fortalice, built in 1585 between the village and the shore, has wholly disappeared, as have two ancient hospitals at Ballencrieff and Gosford. The Red Friar Monastery of Luffness, said to have been founded by Patrick, Earl of Dunbar, in 1286, is represented by the founder's effigy, and by the N walls of its First Pointed church, which measured 94 feet 10 inches by 19 feet; and Redhouse Castle, a large 16th-century mansion, near the Gladsuir boundary, is now a complete ruin. **GOSFORD** (Earl of Wemyss), **BALLENCRIEFF** (Lord Elibank), and **LUFFNESS** (H. W. Hope, Esq.), are the principal seats; the property is divided among 3 landowners holding £500 and upwards, 1 between £100 and £500, 1 between £50 and £100, and 17 between £20 and £50. The Rev. Adam Dickson (d. 1776), author of *The Husbandry of the Ancients*, was a native of this parish, which is in the presbytery of Haddington and synod of Lothian. The parish church was rebuilt in 1887; the living is worth £400. There is also a U.P. church; and a public school here, with accommodation for 170 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 149, and a grant of £150, 7s. 10d. Valuation (1892)

£9500. Pop. (1831) 973, (1861) 1019, (1871) 1022, (1881) 1000, (1891) 1063.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 33, 1863.

Aberlady Bay, an encroachment of the Firth of Forth, on the coast of Haddington and Edinburgh shires, from Gullane Point to Leith, measures 12 miles along the chord, and 3½ thence to the inmost recess of the shore. The view over it, from Arthur's Seat, includes the coast towns of Portobello, Musselburgh, and Prestonpans; the fertile slopes of Haddingtonshire, with the Garleton Hills on the right, and the conical hill of North Berwick Law in the distant front, and is exquisitely beautiful. It was from Aberlady Bay, according to legend, that Thane, the virgin mother of St. Kentigern, was cast adrift in a coracle.

Aberlemno (Gael. *abhir-leumnach*, 'confluence of the leaping stream'), a village and a parish of central Forfarshire. The village stands on the left bank of a rivulet, 3½ miles N by W of Auldbar Road station on the Caledonian, and 6 NE of its post-town, Forfar. The present parish comprises the ancient parishes of Aberlemno and Auldbar; but the former is thought to have originally included the portion of Oathlaw through which the Lemno flows, and to have had its church where that stream enters the South Esk. It is bounded N by Careston and Brechin, E by Brechin and Guthrie, S and SW by Kescobie, W by Oathlaw, and NW by Tannadice. Of irregular outline, it measures 6½ miles from NE to SW, and 5 from NNW to SSE; its land area is 8914 acres. The **SOUTH ES**K, roughly tracing all the north-western and northern boundary, is the only considerable stream; the only loch, Balgavies, on the southern border, is ½ mile long by 1 furlong wide, contains pike and perch, and was formerly dredged for marl. The surface declines towards the South Esk, and from N to S attains an altitude of 452 feet at the Mote, of 323 at Bibberhill, of 663 in the eastern summit of the Hill of Finhaven, of 441 near the Wood of Kellockshaw, of 492 at Pitkenney, of 800 in fort-crowned Turin Hill on the south-western border, of 348 near Framedrum, and of 384 near Turin House. The lower grounds are for the most part fertile and well cultivated; the higher are often clothed with broom and heath. A greyish sandstone abounds in the SW, and is worked in several quarries both for building and for paving purposes. **MELGUND** and **Flemington Castles** are ruins; **AULDBAR Castle**, Balgavies, and **Carsgewonie** are interesting old buildings, still inhabited. Older than any of these are two sculptured stones, standing one in the churchyard, the other a little to the N. The former, about 6 feet high, represents a battle in which both horse and foot are engaged, and in which a bird attacks a helmeted man, vainly attempting to cover himself with a shield. Above are a mirror and less intelligible emblems; on the back is a finely ornamented cross, surrounded by quaint figures of animals. 'This monument,' says Worsaae, 'might have been reared after a victory, whether over the Danes remains uncertain. At all events, the stone is Scotch, not Scandinavian' (*Danes and Northmen*, pp. 210-213). A third and similar stone was brought to Auldbar Castle from the ruins of a neighbouring chapel. The Earl of Minto and Viscount Melgund (cre. 1813) owns nearly one-half of the parish; and 7 other proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 or upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, and 1 of between £20 and £50. Aberlemno is in the presbytery of Forfar and synod of Angus and Mearns. The church is mainly a reconstruction of 1722, with some 450 sittings; its minister's income is £253. There is also a **Free church**, and under the board are the Aberlemno school and a subscription school at Pitkenney, which, with respective accommodation for 152 and 67 scholars, had (1891) an average attendance of 76 and 51, and grants of £47 and £37, 7s. 6d. Valuation of lands (1891) £8290, 16s.; of railway, £687. Pop. (1831) 1079, (1871) 1007, (1891) 926.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 57, 1868.

Aberlour (Gael. *abhir-luath-ir*, 'confluence of the strong stream'), a village and a parish on the W border of Banffshire. The village of Aberlour or Charlestown of Aberlour stands on a haugh, at the influx of a burn of its own name to the Spey, and has a station on the

Strathspey branch of the Great North of Scotland railway, 2½ miles SW of Craigellachie Junction and 17 SW of Keith. Founded, in 1812, by Grant of Wester Elchies, it is a burgh of barony by Royal Charter, and consists of substantial slated houses ranged in a broad street ½ mile long, with a square to the W; it has a post office, with telegraph, money order, and savings' bank departments, branches of the Union and North of Scotland banks, several insurance offices, an excellent hotel, and an imposing distillery, with tower and spire (1856); fairs are held at it on the first Thursday of April, the Thursday before 26 May, and the second Thursday of November. The old church of St Drostan is now a roofless ruin; and a successor to it, erected in 1812, was destroyed by fire in 1861, when the present parish church was built; it has 800 sittings and a tower 65 feet high. The Free church is also of recent construction, and likewise St Margaret's Episcopal church (1875-77). In connection with it there are schools and an orphanage for 50 children of all denominations. The latter is supported by voluntary contributions. Upwards of 200 girls are also received and trained for service, these being not only provided with a home when out of a situation or ill, but looked after when they leave. The demands for admission are so numerous that it is being enlarged.

The parish is bounded NW for 6 miles by the river Spey, separating it from Elginshire; NE for 1½ mile by the river Fiddich, separating it from Boharn; E and SE by Mortlach; and SW by Inveraven. Its greatest length, from N to SSW, is 9 miles; its breadth is from 1 to 5 miles; and its land area is 14,781 acres. The SPEY is here a deep and rapid river, which, in the great floods of 1829, rose 19½ feet above its ordinary level, and from this parish it receives the Carron and Aberlour Burns, the latter of which, 1 mile above its mouth, makes a beautiful cascade of 30 feet in leap—the Linn of Ruthlie. Most of the surface is hill or mountain, the chief elevations being, in the N, Blne Hill (1062 feet), Gownie (1005), and Wood of Allachie (909); near the eastern border, Edinville (1067), and on the western, Drum Wood (967); in the centre, Tom of Ruthrie (951 feet); and, in the S, BEN RINNES (2755), Roy's Hill (1754), Braunshie Cree (1477), and Restocknach (1196). A considerable aggregate of upland has been reclaimed for the plough, and still more naturally good arable land exists in the form of narrow vales, or what are here called *daugh's*, along the courses of the streams and around the bases of the hills, so that altogether about one-half of the entire area is under cultivation. The soil in some parts along the Spey is a rich, deep, alluvial loam; in other parts, further from the river, is a good mould, on a bed of rough gravel; in others, toward the foot of the hills, is prevalently argillaceous; and toward the base of Ben Rinnes, is reclaimed moss or coarse humus. The rocks include much granite and some limestone, but are nowhere quarried. The birch-clad rock of CRAIGELLACHIE figures picturesquely in the landscape, and thence the Strathspey railway goes up the Aberlour side of the river, past Aberlour village to Carron, where it crosses a magnificent iron viaduct. Aberlour House (Mr Findlay) stands 1½ mile SSE of Craigellachie, is a good modern mansion, in the Grecian style, with pleasant grounds, and very fine gardens; on its lawn is a Doric column of Aberdeen granite, 84 feet high, surmounted by a large globe of polished granite. Kinermory eminence, to the SW of the village, was anciently the site of a house of the Knights Templars, and commands a fine view of part of the Spey's valley. Four landowners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 3 of between £50 and £100, and 4 of between £20 and £50. This parish is the seat of a presbytery in the synod of Moray, but part of it is annexed for school, registration, and ecclesiastical purposes to the *quoad sacra* parish of Glenrinnes. The minister's income is £296. The board schools of Aberlour, Edenville, Charlestown (Episc.), and Craigellachie (females, E.C.), with respective accommodation for 210, 146, 266, and 77 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 144, 74, 167, and 68, and grants of £135, 8s., £64, 10s.,

£150, 3s. 6d., and £59, 10s. Pop. of civil parish (1871) 1776, (1881) 1913, (1891) 2165; of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 1795, (1891) 2072.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 85, 1876.

The presbytery of Aberlour comprehends the *quoad civilia* parishes of Aberlour, Boharn, Inveraven, Knockando, and Rothies, and the *quoad sacra* parishes of Glenlivet and Glenrinnes. Pop. (1891) 10,042, of whom 2169 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, when the sums raised by these congregations in Christian liberality amounted to £599. The Free Church also has a presbytery of Aberlour, whose churches at Aberlour, Boharn, Inveraven, Knockando, Mortlach, and Rothies, had 909 communicants in 1891.

Aberluthnet, a rivulet of S Kincardineshire, running to the Nth Esk in the vicinity of Marykirk village. Aberluthnet (Gael. *abhri-uth-ait*, 'confluence where the stream is swift') was anciently the name of Marykirk parish, and continued an alternative name of it down to the beginning of last century.

Abermele or **Abermilk**, an ancient parish in Annandale, Dumfriesshire. It was named from the confluence of the river Mele or Milk with the Annan; and, its church having been dedicated to St Kentigern or Mungo, it has, since the Reformation, been called St Mungo.

Abernethy, a Speyside parish of E Inverness-shire, till 1870 partly also in Elginshire. It contains the village of Nethybridge, which, standing on the right bank, and 1½ mile above the mouth of the Nethy, here spanned by a bridge 84 feet long, has a post office (Abernethy) under Grantown, with money order, telegraph, and savings bank departments, an inn, and a station on the Great North of Scotland, 4½ miles SSW of Grantown, 4½ ENE of Boat of Garten, and 9¾ N by W of Perth.

The parish comprises the pre-Reformation parishes of Abernethy and Kincardine, the former mostly to the E, the latter wholly to the W of the Nethy. It is bounded NE by Cromdale in Elginshire and Kirkmichael in Banffshire, E and SE by Kirkmichael, SW by Rothiemurchus, and NW by Duthil and Cromdale, having an extreme length from NNE to SSW of 16½, and an extreme width from E to W of 14 miles. The SPEY, here 50 yards broad, flows 16 miles along all the north-western border, and glides on smooth and unruflled, throughout this course having only a fall from about 690 to 600 feet above sea-level. The Nethy rises on the eastern slope of Cairngorm, at an altitude of 2700 feet, and after a north-north-westerly course of 14 miles, falls into the Spey near Broomhill station. A brook in drought, it is subject to violent spates, the greatest on record being those of 1829 and June 1880, when it flooded great part of Nethybridge village, and changed all the level below into a lake. The Nethy itself receives the Dorback Burn (flowing 9½ miles WNW), and the Duack Burn (6½ miles N); and 2 affluents of the Aron, the Water of Caiplich or Ailnach and the Burn of Brown, trace 7 miles of the south-eastern, and 4 of the eastern border. Besides many smaller tarns, Loch Garten (5 × 3 furlongs) lies at an altitude of 726 feet, 2¼ miles SW of Nethybridge, on the Rothiemurchus boundary are Loch Phituilais (5 × 1½ furlongs, altitude 674 feet), and pine-girt Loch Morlich (8 × 5 furlongs, altitude 1046 feet). Save for the level strip along the Spey, from 3 furlongs to 2½ miles in width, the surface everywhere is hilly or grandly mountainous, ascending southward to the Cairngorm Mountains, eastward to the Braes of Abernethy, north-eastward towards the hills of Cromdale. To the W of the Nethy the chief elevations are Tor Hill (1000 feet), Carn Rynnetin (1549), Craiggorrie (2237), Creagan Gorm (2403), Meall a' Bhnachail (2654), Mam Suim (2394), An t-Aonach (2117), Airdgiedmeall (2118), *Castle Hill (2866), *Crag na Leacainn (3448), and *CAIRNGORM (4084), where the asterisks mark the summits culminating on the boundary. E of the Nethy rise Carn na Leine (1505), Beinn an Fhuidair (1476), Carn Dearg (1378), *Tom Liath (1165), Carn Tuairneir (2250), Baddoch (1863), Tom nan Damh Mora (1742), Tom an Fhannach (1638), Carn an Fhìr Odhair (2257), Carn a' Chnuic (1658), Carn Sheilg (2040), Carn Bheur (2636), Beul Buidhe (2385), Geal Charn (2692), Geal Charn Beag (2484), Tamh-dhrum (2463), *Caiplich

(3574), and *A Choinneach (3215). Planted or natural pine-forest covers a vast extent, far up the Nethy, around Loch Garten, and in GLENSMOR on the border of Rothiemurchus; and, whilst loch and river abound in trout and salmon, the glens and mountains teem with all kinds of game, the Countess-Dowager of Seafield's Abernethy deer-forest being one of the largest. The felling, too, of timber on the uplands, thence to be floated down the Nethy to the Spey, forms a great source of wealth, first opened up in 1728 by Aaron Hill, ex-manager of Drury Lane (Chambers' *Dom. Ann.*, iii. 547). The rocks are chiefly granitic and unworked; what arable soil there is—by nature fertile—has been greatly improved by liming; and within the last 30 years many acres of pasture have been brought under the plough, many good farm-buildings erected. In the NE a Roman road is thought to have run from Bridge of Brown to Lynmore, and on towards Cromdale station; Castle Roy, near the church, a reputed stronghold of the Comyns, is 90 feet long, 60 broad, and 30 high, with no roof or loopholes, and but a single entrance. John Stuart, the Gaelic poet, best known as 'John Roy Stuart,' was born at Knock of Kincardine in 1700. The Countess Dowager of Seafield and the Duke of Richmond are chief proprietors in Abernethy, which gives name to a presbytery in the synod of Moray. The living is worth £331: the parish church (1000 sittings) stands 7 furlongs NNE of Nethybridge, and is a well-built modern edifice, as also are a Free church and an Established mission church (600 sittings) at Kincardine, 6½ miles SW, on the Spey. Four public schools—Abernethy, Dorback, Glenbrown and Glenloch, and Tulloch—with respective accommodation for 198, 40, 42, and 84 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 105, 11, 12, and 23, and grants of £118, 15s. 6d., £26, 12s., £22, 19s. 11d., and £44, 17s. 6d. Valuation £8141, of which 46552 belongs to the Countess-Dowager of Seafield. Pop., mostly Gaelic-speaking (1891) 1354.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 74, 75, 1877.

The presbytery of Abernethy, meeting at Grantown, comprehends the civil parishes of Abernethy, Alvie, Cromdale, Duthil, Kingussie, Kirkmichael, and Laggan, and the *quoad sacra* parishes of Advie, Inch, Inverallen, Rothiemurchus, and Tomintoul. Pop. (1891) 10,613, of whom 1171 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, the sums raised by the above congregations amounting to £938. There is also a Free Church presbytery of Abernethy, having churches at Abernethy, Alvie, Cromdale, Duthil, Kingussie, Kirkmichael, and Laggan, with 1869 members and adherents in 1891.

Abernethy, a small police burgh of SE Perthshire, and until 1891 a parish partly also in Fife. The town has a station on the Ladybank and Perth branch of the North British railway, 8½ miles SE of Perth, and 1¼ mile SSW of the influx of the Earn to the Tay. It stands on the right bank of the Nethy, and thence most probably received its name (Celt. 'ford of the Nethy'), which Colonel Robertson, however, derives from *Obair Nethan* or *Nectan* ('Nectan's work'). His objection to the former etymology is, that at Abernethy there is no confluence, the stream not joining the Earn till ¼ mile below the town, and ½ mile below Innerneath, a former seat of the Freers, now owned by Sir Robert Drummond Moncrieffe (*Gael. Topog.*, 76-79). But, then, Skene says that '*Aber* and *Inver* were both used by the southern Picts, though not quite in the same way, *Inver* being generally at the mouth of a river, *Aber* at the ford usually some distance from the mouth' (*Celt. Scot.*, i. 220-222); anyhow, Isaac Taylor is certainly wrong in stating that 'Abernethy became Invernethy, though the old name is now restored' (*Words and Places*, 258-260). Orrea, a town of the Vernicomes, mentioned by Ptolemy, the Alexandrian geographer of the 2d century A.D., must have stood at or near Abernethy; and at Abernethy, according to the Pietish chronicle, Nectan Morbet, third of the shadowy line of early Pietish kings, founded a church in honour of St Bridget of Kildare about 462—a legend inconsistent with the known date of St Bridget's death (525). Under the influence of Columba's teaching, Gartnaidh, 'supreme king of the Tay,' founded or re-founded here a church for Columban monks, dedicated,

like its alleged predecessor, to St Bridget, some time between 584 and 596, Abernethy being then the chief seat of the Pietish government. It was most probably in the neighbouring low-lying plain that the Picts, revolting from the Angles yoke, were routed by Egfrid, with dreadful slaughter, in 672; thirteen years later Egfrid's own rout and death at Dunnichen restored to them their independence. In 717 the Columban monks were doubtless expelled from Abernethy by Nectan III. for nonconformity to Rome; but in 865 we find it once more occupied by Irish clergy, as in that year it seems to have been visited and reorganised by Cellach, abbot both of Iona and of the mother church of Kildare. From that year, too, on to 908, Abernethy was at once the episcopal and the royal capital of the whole Pietish kingdom, Constantin, son of Kenneth mac Alpin, having translated the sole bishopric hither from Dunkeld. Three bishops held the see, whose transference to St Andrews under Constantin, King of Alban, stripped Abernethy of much of its former importance, the single epoch in its after-history being the homage paid at it in 1072 to the Conqueror by Malcolm Ceanmor, 'who came and made peace with King William, and gave hostages, and became his man; and the king went home with all his forces.' Culdees are first heard of at Abernethy during the reign of Edgar (1097-1107), but it does not appear how long they had been introduced. They were holding the possessions of the ancient nunnery between 1189 and 1198; but the church and its pertinents had been granted by William the Lyon to Arbroath Abbey, to whose monks the lay Abbot of Abernethy now conveyed his abbatial rights, while retaining his lands, becoming thus a secular baron and founder of the house of Abernethy. A dispute in the succeeding century between Arbroath and these Culdees was decided by the Bishop of Dunblane against the latter, who in 1272 were converted into a priory of Canons Regular of St Augustine, valued at its dissolution at £706, 11s. 2d.

Thus Abernethy disappeared from history, yet still it retains a monument of bygone greatness in its tapering round tower, like though inferior to that of BRECHIN. Standing by itself in the centre of the town, at an angle of the churchyard near the entrance-gate, it is 74 feet high, and has an interior diameter of 8½ feet at its base, where the wall is 2½ feet thick, while at the top the diameter is 5½ feet, and the wall's thickness 2. It is built of stone, dressed to the curve and laid in 64 courses, the material up to the twelfth of these being a hard grey sandstone, which has resisted the weather; above, a buff-coloured freestone, much weather-worn, especially at the joints. Without, it presents a continuous plane; within, it is divided by string courses into six stories, the sixth terminating a little short of the summit in a platform roof, which is gained by a staircase of modern construction. The two lowest stories are pierced by a doorway only, which, fronting the N, stands 2½ feet above the present level of the ground, is 8 feet high by 3 wide, and has inclined jamb-posts, going right through and projecting externally a little from the wall, with a semicircular head, hewn from one solid stone. In each of the three next stories is a single diminutive aperture; the uppermost is lighted by four round-headed windows, facing the four points of the compass, each 5½ feet high by 2½ feet wide, and each with inclined jambs. Such is the famous Abernethy tower, agreeing generally with that of Brechin, and with that only on the Scottish mainland. In Ireland, however, there still stand 76 round towers, presenting the characteristics of this pair; 'therefore,' says Mr Anderson, 'these two are stragglers from a great typical group, which has its habitat in Ireland, and all questions as to the origin, progress, and period of the type must be discussed with reference to the evidence derived from the principal group.' Concerning the origin of the Irish towers imagination formerly ran riot. Buddhists, Druids, Baal worshippers, Brethon lawgivers, pillar-saints, Freemasons, Danes, or Phœnicians had reared them; they were minarets, phallic emblems, celestial indices, penitentiaries, monumental tombs, or what not else besides. Now, archaeologists

are fairly agreed that one and all were built in connection with churches, not as belfries (though afterwards employed as such), since large bells were not cast till after 1200, and not till then were campaniles erected. They were due to the Norsemen's raids, being meant, as Kuskin says of church towers generally, 'for defence and faithfulness of watch.' More than this, they admit of classification into four groups, marking the transition from the flat-lintelled style of ecclesiastical architecture to the round-arched and decorated Irish Romanesque—a transition accomplished between the end of the 9th and the beginning of the 12th century. To which of these groups, then, does our tower belong? To none, according to Dr Petrie, who refers its erection to 712-727, believing it to have been built by certain Northumbrian architects of Jarrow monastery, summoned by Nectan III. to build him a church in the Roman style, which should be dedicated to St Peter (note appended to Sir J. Simpson's *Archæol. Essays*, i. 134). Skene objecting to this that no church at Abernethy was ever dedicated to St Peter, and that this tower has no peculiarity so marked as thus to remove it wholly from the class of similar structures, yet holds that it is 'undoubtedly older than that of Brechin,' and assigns it to 865, the year of Abbot Cellach's visit to Abernethy (*Celt. Scot.*, 1877, ii. 309, 310). Muir, on the other hand, discovered features in the Abernethy tower which 'place it somewhat lower in the scale of time than that of Brechin, *c.a.* the decidedly Norman type of the belfry windows, and the stones of the general building, which approach very nearly to the small cubical form of those we constantly find in Romanesque masonry' (*Old Church Arch.*, 1861). And Mr Anderson so far agrees with Muir, that while he decidedly ascribes the Brechin tower to the third of the four groups, *i.e.*, to a period later than 950, this Abernethy tower he connects with either the third or fourth, 'though the difference between it and the Brechin one cannot be very great' (*Scotland in Early Christian Times*, 1881). See also vol. ii. of Lord Dunraven's *Irish Archaeology*, edited by Miss Stokes (Lond. 1877). Besides its ancient tower, rising grey and melancholy over the red-tiled houses, the town has nothing of much interest, being a mean-looking place, with irregular streets, but with several good cottages built to accommodate summer visitors. It is a burgh of barony under charter granted (23 Aug. 1476) by Archibald 'Bell-the-Cat,' fifth Earl of Angus, and confirmed (29 Nov. 1628) by William, eleventh Earl, to whose descendant, the Duke of Hamilton, it gives the title of Baron (*cre.* 1633). It is lighted with gas, has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, and holds a cattle fair on the second Thursday in November. The former parish church, one of the oldest in Scotland, was demolished in 1802, when the present plain edifice, containing 600 sittings, was built on a neighbouring site. There are also a Free church, a U.P. church, and a public school, with accommodation for 359 scholars, an average attendance (1891) of 206, and a grant of £199, 11s. 11d. Weaving is the chief winter employment of the inhabitants, many of whom in summer are engaged in salmon-fishing on the Tay. Pop. (1871) 953, (1891) 852.

The parish contains also the hamlets of Glenfoot and Aberargie, 1 and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of the town. It is bounded N by the river Earn, dividing it from Rhynd, and by the Tay, dividing it from St Madoes; E by Newburgh, S by Auchtermuchty and Strathmiglo, and W by Arngask, Dron, and Dunbarney. In 1891 it was placed by the Boundary Commissioners wholly in the county of Perth, with the exception of certain lands which were transferred to Fife parishes, Easter Colzie going to Newburgh parish, and Nocharrie and Pitlour to Strathmiglo. To the S of the town the surface is broken by hills, belonging to the Ochils, and rising in the middle of the parish to 815, 906, and 923 feet, in its southern portion to 879 and 629 feet. Northward the low ground lying along the EARN and TAY, and traversed by the little FARG, forms an oblong some 4 miles long by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile broad, and is not exceeded in beauty, fer-

tility, and cultivation by any tract of equal extent in Scotland. Its soil and sub-soil, down to a depth of 25 feet, consist of strata of clay and sand, overlying a stratum of moss from 1 foot to 3 feet thick, which comprises remains of oak, alder, hazel, and birch. Fine rich haughs, protected by embankments from inundation, extend along the windings of the Earn and Tay; the latter is here from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ mile broad, and is divided into the North and the South Deep by the long, low island of MUGGERUM, belonging to Abernethy parish. Eruptive rocks prevail throughout the uplands, Devonian in the low grounds. At Invernethy is a disused Old Red Sandstone quarry, and greenstone and clinkstone are still worked in the hills, whilst zeolites, jaspers, agates, and calcareous spars abound in Glenfarg, where a quarry has yielded fragments of scales of ichthyolites. At the SE angle of the parish a hill behind Pitlour House is crowned by an ancient fort, with a paved road leading to it; at the SW are the ruins of Balvaard Castle, a stronghold of the Murrays, whose descendant, the Earl of Mansfield, takes from it his title of Baron (*cre.* 1641). He, the Earl of Wemyss, Sir Robert Moncrieff, and 6 other proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 13 between £100 and £500, 7 between £50 and £100, and 22 between £24 and £50. The chief mansions are Ayton, Carey, and Carpow, near the last of which stood the castle of the Lords of Abernethy. Near it, too, in a weaver's cottage, was born the Rev. John Brown of Haddington (1722-87), author of the *Self-interpreting Bible*, and the great pastor of that Secession Church, of whose four founders (1733) the Rev. Alexander Moncrieff, minister of Abernethy, was one. This parish is in the presbytery of Perth and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £291. Valuation (1891) of Perthshire portion, £10,791, 14s. 6d.; of Fifeshire portion, £1327, 9s. 8d. Pop. of entire parish (1831) 1776, (1861) 1960, (1871) 1744, (1881) 1714, (1891) 1585, of which 107 were in Fifeshire.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Abernyte, a hamlet and a parish near the E border of Perthshire. The hamlet stands in a beautiful glen, by the confluence of two rivulets, one of them anciently called the Nyte; and is $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of its post-village Inchtute, 4 miles NNW of Inchtute station, and $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Perth.

The parish is bounded N and NE by Longforgan, SE by Inchtute, SW by Kinnaird, W by Collace, and NW by Cargill. Of irregular shape, it has an extreme length from E to W of $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles, a width from N to S of $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and an area of 2533 acres, of which $1\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The surface has a general north-westward rise from the Carse of Gowrie to the Sidlaw Hills, the Braes of the Carse in the centre of the parish having elevations of 632 and 832 feet above sea-level, while to the W are the slopes of Blacklaw (969 feet), Dunsian Hill (1012), Black Hill (1182), and King's Seat (1235), whose summits, however, lie just outside the bounds. The glen, shut in upon three sides by bold but cultivated ascents, opens south-eastward to the Carse; and its united rivulets form in the low grounds at the head of a deep-wooded ravine a romantic waterfall with 40 feet of almost sheer descent. The rocks are chiefly sandstone and amygdaloid, containing agates; and the soil on these lower grounds is light but fertile, mostly incumbent on gravel, whilst that of the uplands is of poorer quality, and in some places heathy. Two cairns crowned Glenny Law, on which and on Stockmair there also stood two small stone-circles of 7 and 9 stones each. Abernyte House is the principal residence, and 7 landowners hold each an annual value of upwards of £50. In the presbytery of Dundee and synod of Angus and Mearns, the parish contains an Established church (rebuilt 1736: living, £200), and a Free church for Abernyte and Rait, these churches standing $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E, and 5 furlongs ESE, of the hamlet. A public school, with accommodation for 92 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 64, and a grant of £55. Valuation (1891) £2464, 12s. 5d. Pop. (1831) 254, (1861) 310, (1871) 253, (1881) 275, (1891) 263.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Aber-Ruthven. See **ABER-RUTHVEN.**

Abertarf, a parish, giving name to a presbytery, in the centre of Inverness-shire. The parish, named from the mouth of the Tarf rivulet, which enters the head of Loch Ness at Fort Augustus, lies principally on the NW side of Loch Ness, and formerly comprised also the district of Glenmoriston, but is now united to the parish of **BOLESKINE**. The presbytery of Abertarf, in the synod of Argyll, meets at Fort William in March and at Fort Augustus in November. It comprehends the parishes of Boleskine-Abertarf, Kilmallie, and Kilmoinvaig, and the *quoad sacra* parishes of Ballachulish and Ardour, Duncansburgh, Fort Augustus, and Glengarry. Pop. (1891) 7871, of whom 447 were communicants, when the above congregations raised £709 in Christian liberality. The Free Church also has a presbytery of Abertarf, whose churches of Arisaig, Ballachulish (North and South), Fort Augustus, Fort William, Glenmoriston, Glen Urquhart, Kilmallie, and Kilmoinvaig, had 2232 members and adherents in 1891.

Aberuchill, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Comrie parish, Perthshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Comrie. A castle here, built in 1602, was long a centre of strife between the Campbells and the Macgregors.

Aberuthven (Gael. *abhir-ruadh-abhainn*, 'confluence of the red river'), a post office village in the north of Auchterarder parish, SE Perthshire, stands on the right bank of Ruthven Water, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of its influx to the Earn, and is $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Dunning station, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ NE of its post-town, Auchterarder. It has a Free church (1851), gas works, an inn, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 100 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 61, and a grant of £40, 17s. Cotton weaving is the staple industry, and cattle fairs are held on the third Tuesday of April and November. Across the Ruthven stands the roofless ruin of St Kattan's Chapel, the church of what once formed the separate parish of Aberuthven, granted in 1200 to INCH-AFFRAY. Of Norman or First Pointed origin, it retains a couplet of narrow, ogee-headed, one-light windows, set widely apart in the E wall, and is the burial place of the Duncans of Damside and the Graemes of Inchbrakie; whilst beside it is the urn-surmounted mausoleum of the Dukes of Montrose.

Abington, a village in the E of Crawfordjohn parish, Lanarkshire, standing at 808 feet above sea-level on the left bank of the Clyde, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile below the influx of Glen-gonner Water, and 14 miles SSE of Lanark by road. A bridge over the Clyde connects it with Abington station, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile eastward on the Caledonian; this station being 9 miles S by W of Symington, $43\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Edinburgh, and $43\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Glasgow. At the village are a Free church, a post office with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank of Scotland, an hotel, and a school, which, with accommodation for 83 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 50, and a grant of £62. Coursing meetings are held in the vicinity, at which the best dogs of England and Ireland are pitted against those of the West of Scotland. Abington House, a little to the S of the village, is a handsome modern erection, the seat of Sir Edward Arthur Colebrooke of Crawford, fifth Bart. since 1759 (b. 1861; suc. 1890), and owner of 29,604 acres in the shire of an annual value of £9282.

Aboyne, a village and a parish of S Aberdeenshire. The village, called sometimes Charlestown of Aboyne, has a station on the Deeside section of the Great North of Scotland railway, $32\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S of Aberdeen, and 11 miles E by N of Ballater, and stands at 413 feet above sea-level, on the left bank of the Dee, here crossed by a fine suspension bridge (1831), which, 230 feet long by 14 wide, is gained from the S by two iron-trussed arches of 50 and 60, and by two stone arches of 20 and 30, feet span. This bridge and a predecessor (1828; destroyed by the great flood of 4 Aug. 1829) were erected by the Earl of Aboyne at a cost of £7000; in 1871 it was re-constructed by the County Road Trustees. Surrounded by forest uplands, and skirting a large green,

Aboyne is a pretty little place, possessing a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the North of Scotland Bank, a good hotel, a public library and reading-room, and a picturesque high-roofed school (1874). Its places of worship are a handsome parish church (1842, 628 sittings), a Gothic Free church with graceful spire; and a Roman Catholic church, St Margaret's (1874, 120 sittings). A burgh of barony, it holds cattle and horse fairs on the third Thursday of the months of January, February, March, April, August, September, November, and December, on the last Wednesday of June and the last Friday of July, and on the first Tuesday and Wednesday of October (old style).

The present parish comprises the ancient parish of Glentanner, and hence is often designated the united parish of Aboyne and Glentanner. It is bounded N by Logie-Coldstone, E by Kincardine O'Neil and Birse, S by Lochlee in Forfarshire, and W by Glenmuick. Irregular in outline, it has a length from N to S of from 2 to $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from E to W of from 2 to $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and a land area of 25,265 acres. A small detached portion (consisting of 349 acres), situated at or near Percie, and surrounded by the parish of Birse, was by the Order of the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 transferred to that parish. With the exception of the lands of Balnacraig, Aboyne proper is all to the left or N of the Dee, between the burns of Dess on the E and Dinnet on the W. Its highest summit, Mortlich, rises upon the northern boundary to 1248 feet above sea-level, and is crowned by an obelisk and cross of granite 60 feet high, erected in 1868 as a memorial of Charles, tenth Marquis of Huntly (1792-1863). Lesser eminences are Balnagowan Hill (800 feet), Muchricha's Cross (798), Oldtown (580), and Balnacraig (689). Glentanner extends from the southern bank of the Dee away to the Braes of Angus; and within it, from N to S, are Creag-na-Slige (1336 feet), Duchery Beg (1485), Bandy Meg (1602), the Strone (1219), the Hill of Duchery (1824), Craigmahandle (1878), Little Cockcain (2044), Cockcain (2387), Gannoch (2396), and the Hill of Cat (2435), the three last culminating upon the southern or south-eastern border. The DEE either bounds or intersects the parish for about 15 miles, descending within this distance from some 550 feet at Deecastle to 460 at the mouth of the Dinnet, 397 at the suspension bridge of Aboyne, and 296 at the Bridge of Potarch. Its principal affluent is the impetuous Water of Tanner, which, rising in Glenmuick parish on the south-western slope of Hare Cairn (2203 feet), takes a north-easterly course of 14 miles to a point $\frac{3}{4}$ mile above the suspension bridge, and receives on the way the united Waters of Gairney and Allachy and the Skinna Burn. It flows through 'a beautiful and richly-wooded glen, between high hills'—so the Queen has described Glentanner, up which she drove as far as Etnach, with the Prince Consort and the Princess Alice, 21 Sept. 1861 (pp. 156, 157 of *Journal*, ed. 1877). Glentanner then was 'out of sight of all habitations,' but this is no longer the case; its present proprietor Sir Wm. Cunliffe Brooks, Bart., having built at the Bridge of Tanner an entrance lodge like an old turreted keep, higher up a verandah farm-house, with model dairy, stabling, and kennels, and many a quaint little cottage besides, all of them planned by Mr G. Truefit, of London. Auld-dinnie Burn, running 4 miles northward on the boundary with Birse, is the only other noticeable stream; in Aboyne proper, are two small sheets of water—Braeroddach Loch ($1\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ fur.) to the NW, and, in the Castle policies, the artificial, islet-studded Loch of Aboyne ($3 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ fur.). Granite, the primitive formation, varies in hue from whitish-grey to red, the latter resembling Peterhead granite and taking a fine polish. Syenitic and ironstone boulders are also common, and black ferruginous fragments that seem to have been disintegrated from rocks higher up the Dee. Glentanner yields topaz and crystallised quartz (both white and rose coloured) on the Firmouth, fuller's earth along Auld-dinnie Burn, impure limestone in small quantities, and traces of manganese; whilst peat-mosses on the hills

above Craighendinnie are found to overlie remains of oak, hazel, and birch, at a much higher level than that at which those trees now grow. The soil is generally poor and stony, even the narrow alluvial haughs of Deeside being mostly a mass of gravel, thickly covered with earth; and, in spite of considerable reclamations, less than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the whole area is arable. Forestry occupies more than double this extent. In the united parish, writes Mr Alexander Smith, the ground-growing timber is estimated at between 8000 and 9000 acres. The extent of planted ground on both sides of the Dee, including the ornamental plantations in the policies of Aboyne Castle, is very large. Soil and climate seem to favour the growth of both pines and hardwood trees. Of the latter, the oak, ash, birch, and elm seem to succeed best. Near the Castle are some fine specimens of the old Scotch fir, and throughout the adjoining plantation the larch, common spruce, and birch form a pleasant variety. Nearly 40 years ago most of the full-grown timber in the outlying plantations of Aboyne was cut down and the ground replanted; but many years must elapse before the Aboyne woods attain the prominence they once had. Along the S bank of the river, from Craighendinnie westwards as far up as Deecastle, a large tract of muir ground has recently been enclosed and planted, chiefly with Scotch fir, mixed with larch and hardwood trees; and with the natural birch and hazel bushes the valley has been much beautified. The old forest of Glentanner extends from near Craighendinnie on the Dee, along the Tanner and its tributaries, to far up the lower slopes of the Cockcairn, Moutkeen, and Firmonth; but from the straggling position of the trees on the outskirts, no exact estimate could well be formed of its extent. It is believed, however, that the area of ground covered with timber of all ages and condition is about 6000 acres. Glentanner is said to be a remnant of the ancient Caledonian Forest, and within the past eighty or ninety years the timber in it has twice been cut down, and portions of it have twice been seriously injured by fire; but for about thirty years it has been allowed to 'rest and be thankful.' In 1841 the wood cut down in Glentanner brought little if anything more than the cost of cartage to Aberdeen, owing to the unapproachable position of the best trees, most of them being too heavy to be floated by the river, except in time of flood. The soil of Glentanner on the alluvial haughs is good gravelly loam, overlying drift and rough sand, and on the lower slopes of the hills it is much of the same quality—rather more loamy, with disintegrated granite rocks. Higher up the hills these trees do not now grow; it is broken moss, bleak rocky mountains, only partially covered with heather (*Trans. High. and Ag. Soc.*, 1874, p. 270). The lands and Castle of Aboyne passed successively from William Bisset to the Knights Templars (1242), from them to the Frasers of Cowie, and from them, by marriage, to Sir William Keith, great marischal of Scotland (c. 1355), whose great granddaughter, Joan, brought them early in the 15th century to Alexander de Seton, Lord of Gordon and first Earl of Huntly (1449). With his descendants, the great political dynasty of the Seton-Gordons, known afterwards for loyalty to the Stewarts, and long adherence to the Catholic faith, they continued till lately, giving them title of Baron (1627), Viscount (1632), and Earl (1660). The present owner of Aboyne Castle is Sir William Cunliffe Brooks, Bart., whose daughter is married to the eleventh Marquis of Huntly, the latter being still occupier of the Castle. Part of the lands of Aboyne has likewise been sold to the above-mentioned gentleman and part to Mr Davidson of Dess. Lying low, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of the village, and girt by the Burn of Aboyne as by a moat, the Castle, with its many turrets, is rather imposing than beautiful. The western part was rebuilt in 1671 by Charles, first Earl of Aboyne, the traditional hero of the ballad of 'Lord Aboyne,' though his countess was no Peggy Irvine, but Lady Elizabeth Lyon. The E wing was added in 1801, and in 1869 the old kitchen department was pulled down and replaced by new buildings, all in granite with stepped gables, very simple but

very effective. The old mansion of Balmacraig has sunk to a farmhouse; but the house of Glentanner, $\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of the village, has risen from a shooting-box to a large two-winged mansion adorned with rustic work, stained glass, pine dados, panelled ceilings, and antique furnishings. Hard by, a ruined 'laird's house,' with an ancient archway, has been converted into the private Episcopal chapel of St Lesmo (1871), a charming little church, 50 feet long by 20 broad, with heather thatch and internal fittings of pine. Other residences are Balfour House, Huntly Lodge, and Deeside Lodge; two proprietors holding each an annual value of from £100 to £500, and five of from £20 to £50, whilst the Marquis of Huntly owns some four-fifths of the entire rental. Natives were Father Thomas Innes (1662-1744), priest of the Scots College in Paris, and author of the earliest attempt to open up the real sources of Scottish history, *A Critical Essay on the Ancient Inhabitants of Scotland* (1729); and Peter Williamson, kidnapped at Aberdeen in the first half of the 18th century, and sold into American slavery. Aboyne is in the presbytery of Kincardine O'Neil and synod of Aberdeen; the living is worth £161. The *quoad sacra* church of Dinnet (minister's salary £120) has 242 communicants; and the two public schools of Aboyne and Glentanner, with respective accommodation for 187 and 66 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 131 and 43, and grants of £129, 18s. 6d. and £56. Valuation £8004, 19s. 4d. Pop. (1801) 916, (1831) 1163, (1871) 1351, (1881) 1427, (1891) 1463.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 66, 76, 1871-74. See 'Architecture on Deeside' in the *Builder*, 19 Sept. 1874.

Aboyne and Braemar Railway, a line of S Aberdeenshire, incorporated 5 July 1865, from the Deeside extension at Aboyne to Bridge of Gairn, on a capital of £66,000 in £10 shares, and £22,000 upon loan. That portion of it from Aboyne to Ballater, 11 miles W by S, was opened in Oct. 1866, and is a single line with the two intermediate stations of Dinnet and Cambus O'May, a short tunnel under and through the village of Aboyne, and a light iron-girder bridge of 40 feet span over Tullich Burn. Aboyne station is 408 and Ballater 670 feet above sea-level, and trains are timed to perform the journey in from 21 to 25 minutes. By act of 13 July 1876, the Deeside and the Aboyne and Braemar undertakings were amalgamated with the Great North of Scotland.

Abroich, a burn in Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire, running to Kelvin Water.

Aburthven. See **ABERUTHVEN**.

Achacharra, a place with a large ancient Caledonian standing stone, in Ulva Island, Argyllshire.

Achadashemaig, an estate, with a mansion, in Salen parish, Mull Island, Argyllshire. The mansion stands on a rising ground overlooking Aros Bay.

Achaffrick, a place on Loch Shin, in the S of Sutherland.

Achahoish, a hamlet in Knapdale, Argyllshire, at the head of Loch Killisport, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Lochgilphead. It has a post office under Ardtrishaig.

Achaistal. See **LATHERON**.

Achalafen, a place in Kilmorie parish, Buteshire, in the S of Arran, 7 miles SW of Lamalsh.

Achalhanzie, a detached part of Crieff parish, in Perthshire, lying to the E of Cultoquhey House, and consisting of one farm.

Achalick, a small bay fishing station on the E side of Loch Fyne, in Argyllshire, 4 miles NE of the mouth of East Loch Tarbert. Ardmarcock House, the seat of D. N. Nicol, Esq., is in its vicinity.

Achall, a lake in Lochrom parish, Ross-shire, about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Ullapool. Lying 265 feet above sea-level, it measures 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in extreme length, and from 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 furlongs in breadth; it is embosomed variously in wooded promontories, green hills, and rugged heights; and, under some aspects, it is one of the prettiest pieces of water in the Highlands. It abounds with salmon and trout, and is preserved, forming parts of the late Duchess of Sutherland's Rhidorroch deer forest.

Achallader, a ruined fortalice of the Campbells, Lairds of Glenorchy, in Glenorchy parish, Argyllshire, 1 mile above the head of Loch Tulla, and 10 miles N of Tyndrum station. Near it a conflict between two clans occurred in the latter part of the 17th century, and is commemorated by several cairns over the graves of the slain.

Achally. See **BENACHALLY**.

Achanault. See **AUCHANAULT**.

Achanduin or **Auchindown Castle**, a square, roofless structure, the quondam residence of the Bishops of Argyll, in Lismore island, Argyllshire, 4 miles W of Lismore Cathedral.

Achaneilein, a quagmire or quaking bog in Ardnamurchan parish, Argyllshire. It lies along the S side of Loch Shiel, is of unknown depth, and measures upwards of 5 miles in length and $\frac{3}{4}$ mile in breadth.

Achantiobairt (Gael. *achadh-an-t-iobairt*, 'field of sacrifice'), the site of several stone crosses in Inverary parish, Argyllshire, $5\frac{1}{4}$ miles SSW of Inverary. It has an altitude of about 500 feet above Loch Fyne, and commands an extensive view.

Achantoft, a place in E Caithness, 2 miles S of Dunbeath Castle.

Achany, a mansion in Lairg parish; S Sutherlandshire, beautifully situated on the right bank of the Shin, 4 miles NNW of Invershin station. Purchased in 1840, its estate was greatly improved by the late Sir James Matheson, Bart. of the Lews and Achany (1796-1878), owner of 424,560 acres, valued at £19,489 per annum. Hugh Miller speaks of 'the woods of Achany, famous for their nuts.'

Achar, a farm, with an ancient obelisk 13 feet high, in Duror district, Argyllshire.

Acharacle or **Aharacle**, a parliamentary parish on the mutual border of Argyll and Inverness shires, on the coast, 12 miles NW of Strontian. It consists chiefly of the eastern portion of Ardnamurchan parish, but comprises also part of Morvern; it includes portions of Ardnamurchan proper, Sunart, and Moirdart, and the islands of Shona, Shonaveg, and Portavata; it has its church and manse at the W end of Loch Shiel; and it has a post office under Ardgor. This parish is in the presbytery of Mull and synod of Argyll. The stipend is £140, paid by government, with a manse and a glebe worth respectively £15 and £16 a-year. Two public schools, Acharacle and Eilanshona, with respective accommodation for 90 and 35 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 47 and 15, and grants of £82, 11s. 6d. and £27, 15s. 6d. Pop. (1891) of parish, 1148, of whom 656 were in the Argyllshire portions; of registration district (1891) 1318.

Acharadale. See **ACHARDALE**.

Acharainey, a hamlet in Halkirk parish, Caithness, 21 miles WSW of Wick. A chapel of the royal bounty, with 403 sittings, was formerly here, and served also for parts of Watten and Reay parishes. A Free Church charge now includes Acharainey, Westerdale, and Hallsary. See **WESTERDALE**.

Achardale, a hamlet in Halkirk parish, Caithness, 2½ miles SSW of Halkirk.

Achareidh, a mansion, 1 mile W of Nairn town, the seat of Montague Clarke, Esq.

Acharn, a village and a burn in Kenmore parish, Perthshire. The village stands at the burn's mouth, on the S shore of Loch Tay, $1\frac{3}{4}$ mile above Kenmore. A neat little place, it has a public school, which, with accommodation for 117 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 71, and a grant of £79, 9s. 5d. The burn rises on Creagan na Benne, at an altitude of 2400 feet, and has a northward course of about 5 miles. Near the village, over the side of a wooded dell, it makes a picturesque fall, first a sheer leap of 50 feet, then in two streams that meet in a little pool, and thence down a series of inclined descents, the total height being between 80 and 90 feet. A grotto opposite was visited on 5 Sept. 1803 by Wordsworth and his sister Dorothy, who writes in her *Journal* (ed. by Principal Shairp, 1874):—'We entered a dungeon-like passage, and, after walking some yards in total darkness, found ourselves in a quaint apartment stuck over with moss, hung about with stuffed

foxes and other wild animals, and ornamented with a library of wooden books covered with old leather backs, the mock furniture of a hermit's cell. At the end of the room, through a large bow window, we saw the waterfall, and, at the same time, looking down to the left, the village of Kenmore and a part of the lake—a very beautiful prospect.'

Acharnie, a hamlet, near Huntly, in the NW of Aberdeenshire.

Acharynie. See **ACHARAINY**.

Achavair, a hamlet in Latheron parish, Caithness, near the coast, 11 miles SSW of Wick.

Achavandra, a hamlet in Dornoch parish, Sutherland. A Free Church school stood in it, and was transferred to the parochial school-board.

Achavarn, a mansion in Halkirk parish, Caithness, near the E shore of Loch Calder, 6 miles S by W of Thurso. It is the seat of Colonel C. Guthrie, owner in the shire of 13,934 acres, valued at £2762 per annum.

Achavrea, a hamlet in Watten parish, Caithness, 9½ miles WSW of Wick.

Achay, a hamlet in Watten parish, Caithness, 1½ mile NW of Achavrea.

Achbreck, a hamlet in Inveraven parish, Banffshire, in Glenlivet, with a post office under Ballindalloch, its station, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the NNW. It has also a chapel of ease (1825) to Glenlivet.

Achenacraig. See **ACHNACRAIG**.

Achendown. See **AUCHINDOWN**.

Achenharvie, a hamlet in Cunninghame district, Ayrshire, 5 miles NNE of Irvine.

Achenkill, a farm, with the site of an ancient religious house, in Cumbar-nauld parish, Dumbartonshire.

Achenreoch, a lake on the mutual boundary of Urr and Kirkpatrick-Durham parishes, Kirkcudbrightshire, 7 miles NE by N of Castle-Douglas. It measures $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile in length, and from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlong in width; and abounds with pike and perch.

Achenreoch, an estate, with a commodious mansion, in Straeathro parish, Forfarshire, 4 miles N of Brechin.

Achenreoch, a moorland tract in Dumbarton parish, rising into Knockshanoch, 895 feet high, and forming the eastern part of Dumbarton Moor, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Dumbarton.

Achentorlie, an estate, with a mansion, in Abbey-Paisley parish, Renfrewshire.

Acherachan, a hamlet in Inveraven parish, Banffshire, on the river Livet, 8 miles N of Tomintoul. A distillery is here.

Achern, a hamlet in Wick parish, Caithness, 4 miles SW of Wick.

Achernach, an estate in Strathdon parish, Aberdeen-shire. The mansion on it was built in 1809, and was long reputed the best in the district.

Acheson's Haven or **Newhaven**. See **MORISON'S HAVEN**.

Achilty, a loch in Contin parish, Ross-shire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Strathpeffer, measures about 2 miles in circumference, is limpid and very deep, and holds some char. It sends off its effluence by a subterranean canal into the river Rasay, about a mile to the NE; an artificial islet in it was formerly the site of a house and garden, used as a retreat from danger, and accessible by a drawbridge; and a 'Druidical' stone circle stands on its eastern bank. Tor Achilty, a beautiful, undulated, wooded hill, overhangs the lake, and has a remarkable number of species of plants.

Achin, a lake in the centre of Ross-shire, in the course of the river Sheen, 3 miles SE of Loch Fannich.

Achinarrow, a hamlet in Inveraven parish, Banffshire, in the upper part of Glenlivet, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of its railway station, Ballindalloch.

Achinbee, a place, with the site of an ancient religious house, in Cumbar-nauld parish, Dumbartonshire.

Achinblae. See **AUCHINBLAE**.

Achincass or **Auchen Castle**, a ruined castle in Kirkpatrick Juxta parish, Dumfriesshire, 2 miles SW of Moffat. It stands on the peninsula between the Evan and the Garpol, near a cascade formed by the latter stream; and occupies a strong position, surmounting preci-

pieces and encircled by morass; seems once to have been of considerable extent, with outhouses for retainers, and a large quadrangular main building, with a turret at each angle, but consists now chiefly of parts of the walls, from 10 to 15 feet thick, and of one of the turrets in a good state of preservation. Held, and, it may be, built, by Randolph, Earl of Moray, and regent of Scotland (d. 1332), it passed to the Douglasses of Morton, and is now the property of William Younger, Esq. His splendid seat, the modern castle of Achincass, is a structure of considerable extent, and splendidly situated on a rising-ground near the Evan Water. Hogg makes Achincass the residence of William Wilkin, the famous Annandale warlock:

'To Auchin Castle Wilkin bled,
On Evan banks sae green,
And lived and died like other men,
For aught that could be seen.'

Achindarach, a place in Appin, Argyllshire, near Ballachulish.

Achindavy. See AUCHENDAVY.

Achinduin. See ACHANDUIN.

Achingale, a hamlet in Watten parish, Caithness, 8½ miles W of Wick.

Achinew, a place at the S end of the island of Arran.

Achinlaich, an ancient fortification, on a hill-top, in Callander parish, Perthshire. The hill is planted, and the ditch and mound of the fortification on its top are very distinct.

Achintoul. See AUCHINTOUL.

Achiries. See AUCHILIES.

Achleck, a rivulet with a picturesque waterfall in Morvern parish, Argyllshire.

Achleeks. See AUCHELEKS.

Achline or **Auchlyne**, an estate, with a mansion, in Killin parish, Perthshire, on the river Dochart, 6½ miles NW of Lochearnhead.

Achlishie, an estate in Kirriemuir parish, Forfarshire. A cave is here in which a curragh and some querns were found.

Achluachrach, a hamlet in the SW of Inverness-shire, on the river Spean, under Ben Nevis, 14½ miles ENE of Fort William. It has a post office with money order and savings bank departments.

Achmelvich. See ASSYNT.

Achmerrel, a place in Watten parish, Caithness, 10½ miles W of Wick.

Achmithie. See AUCHMITHIE.

Achmore, a district of Kenmore parish, Perthshire, adjacent to Killin, and extending thence 2 miles eastward along the river Dochart and Loch Tay. It is chiefly pastoral, but has a considerable amount of wood. Achmore House (Earl of Breadalbane), in a fine park, was converted about 1873 from 'a nice little cottage' into a stately chateau. The Queen rowed up to it from Taymouth, 10 Sept. 1842.

Achnacarry, the estate of Cameron of Lochiel, in Kilmalie parish, Inverness-shire, extends from Loch Archaig to Loch Lochy, on either side of the river Archaig, 12 miles NNE of its post-town, Fort William. It came about 1664 into undisputed possession of Sir Ewan Cameron (1629-1719), the 'Ulysses of the Highlands,' but was forfeited by his grandson Donald, the 'Gentle Lochiel,' for his share in the '45, and not restored to the family till 1784. Part of the ruined castle, burned by Cumberland's troops, remains; and close to it is the modern Achnacarry House, which, with its noble avenue of ancient plane-trees and its wooded hills, Prince Charles's lurking-place in the August after Culloden, is one of the loveliest of Highland seats.

Achnacloish, a picturesque small lake, in a small secluded glen, in Rosskeen parish, Ross-shire.

Achnacrag, a hamlet in Latheron parish, Caithness, on the coast, 4½ miles SSW of Berriedale.

Achnacraig or **Auchnacraig**, a hamlet in Torosay parish, island of Mull, Argyllshire, on the coast, at Loch Don, 8½ miles W by N of Oban. It has a post office with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph

department under Oban, an inn, and a small harbour; and was formerly the ferry-station of Mull, first to the opposite island of Kerrera, a distance of about 4½ miles, and thence to the mainland near Oban, a distance of 4 miles. Great numbers of black cattle were conveyed from it for the lowland markets; and at one time those also from Coll and Tiree were landed on the further side of Mull, and here reshipped.

Achnacroish, an estate, with a mansion of 1859, on the E side of Mull, 3 miles N by W of Achnacraig.

Achnacy, a hamlet in the NW of Aberdeenshire, 4½ miles N of Huntly.

Achnadavel, a place in the SW of Inverness-shire, 7 miles NE of Fort William.

Achnagart, a place in Kincardine parish, Ross-shire.

Achnagol, a hamlet in Inverary parish, Argyllshire, 4 miles SSW of Inverary town. A cairn here, 130 feet long, was excavated in 1871, and yielded human bones, pottery, weapons, etc.

Achnahannet, a place in the SW of Elginshire, 3½ miles WSW of Grantown.

Achnahannet, a hamlet, with a public school, in Kincardine parish, Ross-shire.

Achnahowie, a lake in the W of Sutherland, in the upper basin of the Helmsdale river, 9 miles NW of Kildonan.

Achnaiken, a place in the W of Sutherland, on Elleswater, 7 miles NNW of Kildonan.

Achnarrow, a hamlet in Glenlivet *quoad sacra* parish, Banffshire. It has a girls' school.

Achnastank, a place in the highlands of Elginshire, near the E base of Ben Rinnes, 5 miles SSW of Dufftown.

Achnavarn, a ruined ancient castle, near Loch Calder, in the NW of Halkirk parish, Caithness. Its strength appears to have been great, but its origin is not recorded.

Achollies, a place in Fetteresso parish, Kincardineshire, on a branch of the river Cowie, 5½ miles WNW of Stonehaven.

Acholter, a place in the island of Dute, 2½ miles NW of Rothelay.

Achosnich, a place with a post office under Salen, in Ardnamurchan parish, Argyllshire. The public school, with accommodation for 67 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 37, and a grant of £44, 17s. 4d.

Achrannie, a double cataract on the river Isla, in the W of Forfarshire, on the mutual boundary of Glenisla and Lintathen parishes, about 2 miles below the Reeky Linn. The upper cataract occurs in a stupendous chasm, scarcely more than 9 feet in width, flanked by mural precipices of great height, surmounted by a profusion of trees; and it descends a steep broken channel, in deep boiling flood, and curling wreaths of foam, with roaring noise and impetuous power. The lower cataract is of similar character, but of less force.

Achray (Gael. *achadh-reidh*, 'smooth field'), a 'lovely loch' of SW Perthshire, lies on the mutual boundary of Callander and Aberfoyle parishes, 7½ miles W by S of Callander, and midway between Lochs Katrine and Venachar, its distance from each being about 1 mile. By the former it is fed through Achray Water, to the latter it sends off the Dubh Abhainn, belonging thus to the basin of the Teith. From W to E 1½ mile long, and from 2 to 3 furlongs broad, it is bounded at its head by the Trossachs, flanked on their left hand by Ben Venue (2393 feet), and on their right by Meall Gannmeich (1851 feet), whilst in the NE 'Benledi's distant hill' rises to a height of 2875 feet. On the northern shore are a little church, a manse, and the castellated Trossachs Hotel, connected with Callander by telegraph; the farm of Achray stands at the SW angle, on the level patch that gave the loch its name. There are boats; and the fishing (trout, salmon-trout, pike, and perch) is good, and open to the public. The *Lady of the Lake* (1810) has made the world familiar with Achray's beauties, so sweet and lonely in its 'copsewood grey'; but others than Scott had found those beauties out—Coleridge, and Wordsworth, and his sister Dorothy. The last in her *Journal* (27 Aug. 1803) describes the lake as 'small compared with Loch

Katrine, though perhaps 4 miles long, but the misty air concealed the end of it. The transition from the solitary wildness of Loch Katrine, and the narrow valley or pass to this scene was very delightful; it was a gentle place, with lively open bays, one small island, cornfields, woods, and a group of cottages. This vale seemed to have been made to be tributary to the comforts of man. Loch Katrine for the lonely delight of nature, and kind spirits delighting in beauty. The sky was grey and heavy—floating mists on the hill-sides, which softened the objects; and where we lost sight of the lake, it appeared so near to the sky that they almost touched one another, giving a visionary beauty to the prospect. While we overlooked this quiet scene, we could hear the stream rumbling among the rocks between the lakes, but the mists concealed any glimpse of it which we might have had. Again, on 11 Sept., she writes:—'We came up to that little lake, and saw it before us in its true shape in the cheerful sunshine. The Trossachs, overtopped by Ben Ledi and other high mountains, enclose the lake at the head; and those houses which we had seen before, with their cornfields sloping towards the water, stood very prettily under low woods. The fields did not appear so rich as when we had seen them through the vale of mist; but yet as in framing our expectations we had allowed for a much greater difference, so we were even a second time surprised with pleasure at the same spot. We went as far as these houses of which I have spoken in the car, and then walked on, intending to pursue the road upon the side of Loch Katrine along which Coleridge had come; but we had resolved to spend some hours in the neighbourhood of the Trossachs, and accordingly coasted the head of Loch Achray, and pursued the brook between the two lakes as far as there was any track. Here we found, to our surprise—for we had expected nothing but heath and rocks like the rest of the neighbourhood of the Trossachs—a secluded farm; a plot of verdant ground with a single cottage and its company of outhouses. We turned back, and went to the very point from which we had first looked upon Loch Achray when we were here with Coleridge. It was no longer a visionary scene, the sun shone into every crevice of the hills, and the mountain tops were clear.' See also Alexander Smith, *A Summer in Skye*, chap. ii.; and *Passages from the English Note-Books of Nathaniel Hawthorne*, vol. ii., pp. 303-308.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 38, 1871.

Achriesgill, a hamlet and a rivulet in the NW of Sutherland. The hamlet lies at the head of Loch Inchard, 13 miles SSW of Durness. The rivulet has a run of about 7 miles north-north-westward to the head of Loch Inchard, makes some pretty cascades over high rocks in its channel, and traverses a little strath nearly all heathy or pastoral.

Achtercairn, a hamlet in Gairloch parish, Ross-shire. A public school, with accommodation for 85 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 63, and a grant of £59, 10s. 9d.

Achtow, a hamlet in Balquhider parish, Perthshire, 1½ mile E of Balquhider village.

Achvaich, a small strath in the upper part of Dornoch parish, Sutherland.

Achvarasdal Burn. See REAY.

Ackergill Tower, a mansion in Wick parish, Caithness, on the coast, 2½ miles N by W of Wick. It stands on a rock close to the sea, a few feet above high water mark, and is partly an ancient, strong, three-storied tower, 65 feet high and 45 square, partly a recent castellated mansion. Once the seat of the Earls Marischal, and defended on all sides but that toward the sea by a moat 12 feet wide and 12 deep, it now belongs to Garden Duff-Dunbar, Esq. (b. 1838; suc. 1875), owner of 22,880 acres in the shire, valued at £11,046 per annum.

Ackerness, a headland on the N of Westray island, in Orkney.

Adam. See ALDHAM.

Add (Gael. *Avon-Flhada*, 'long river,' Ptolemy's *Longus Fluvius*), a river of W Argyllshire, which, rising in marshes at the NW extremity of Glassary parish, runs along the valley of Glassary, and through the moss of

Crinan, and falls into the sea at Inner Loch Crinan. It occasionally in heavy rains overflows its banks, and does much injury to adjacent fields. It abounds with trout, and there is a salmon fishery at its mouth.

Adderlaw, a hill summit, 822 feet high, in the E of Applegharth parish, Dumfriesshire.

Addiewell, a manufacturing village in West Calder parish, Edinburghshire, on the verge of the county, near the Cleland branch of the Caledonian railway, 1½ mile WSW of West Calder. It has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments, under West Calder, and an Established church built in 1854. Founded about 1866 in connection with large chemical works, it comprises a great number of factory buildings, retort sheds, etc.; and it looks like an assemblage of numerous factories and their appurtenances for a diversity of purposes. The works cover 70 acres, produce vast quantities of paraffin oil, naphtha, paraffin candles, and ammonia, and serve also as auxiliaries to the great chemical works in the vicinity of Bathgate. A public school, with accommodation for 552 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 307, and a grant of £335, 17s. 10d. Pop. (1891) 1696.

Addiston, an adjunct of the Dalmahey estate, in Ratho parish, Edinburghshire, 2 miles NW of Currie.

Adie or **Addie**, a heathy hill, 893 feet high, in the SE of Rathven parish, Banffshire.

Adigo, a lake in Uig parish, Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire.

Advie, a barony in Cromdale parish, Elginshire, and on the Strathspey branch of the Great North of Scotland railway, 8 miles NE of Grantown. In July, 1888, it was erected into a parish in the presbytery of Abernethy. It has a post office of Advie station, under Ballindalloch, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 90 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 26, and a grant of £26, 10s. The barony of Advie, on the right side of the Spey, and the Barony Tulchen on the left side, anciently were a parish, now united with Cromdale, and they belonged to the Earl of Fife, passed in the 15th century to the Ballindalloch family, and now belong to the Countess Dowager of Seafield.

Ae, an impetuous river of Dumfriesshire, rises upon the eastern skirts of Quencesberry Hill (2285 feet), 6½ miles WSW of Moffat. Thence it runs S, SE, and NE, chiefly along the boundary between Closeburn, Kirkmahoe, Tinwald, and Lochmaben parishes on the right, and Kirkpatrick Juxta and Kirkmichael parishes on the left, and falls into the Kinnel at a point 2½ miles N of Lochmaben. Its length is some 16 miles; and its affluents are the Deer, Bran, Capel, Windyhill, Goukstone, Black Linn, and Garrel burns.

Aebercurnig. See ABERCORN.

Aen. See AAN.

Affleck, an ancient castle in Monikie parish, Fife-shire. It is a fine specimen of the old feudal keep; and, though long uninhabited, is still almost entire. It stands about 5 miles from the coast, yet serves as a landmark to sailors.

Affleck, Ayrshire. See AVCHINLECK.

Afforsk, a picturesque ravine in Gamrie parish, Banffshire. It is deep and winding; has precipitous, diversified, luxuriantly plant-clad sides; is split into two, about half-way down, by a steeply acclivitous ledge of rock, called the Ruin of Afforsk; and descends, past the old church, to the sea. The view of it from the Ruin, both upward and downward, is strongly romantic.

Affric (Gael. *abh-riach*, 'greyish water'), a lake and a river in Kilmacrae parish, NW Inverness-shire. The lake lies 14 miles NW of Fort Augustus, at an altitude of 744 feet above sea-level, and, extending in a north-easterly direction, is 3½ miles long and from 1½ to 4 furlongs wide. Of great depth, it abounds in trout, running 3 to the lb.; receives some 18 streams and brooklets; and is flanked NW by Mam Sodhail (3862 feet) and Carn Eige (3877), N by Sgurr na Lapaich (3401), and NE by Am Meallan (2136), SW by Carn a' Choire Chairbh (2827), Tigh Mor (3222), and Sgurr na Conbhairan (3634), S by Carn Glas Lochdarach (2350), and Aonach Shasuinn (2901), and SE by Creag nan

Colman (2167). It belongs to The Chisholm, and a shooting-lodge stands at its foot. The river is formed by the Griannan and Fionn, both of which rise upon Drumalban—the former flowing 3½ miles N and E from Ben Fhada (3383 feet), the latter 5 NE from Sgur a' Bhealach (3378). They unite 5 miles W by S of the head of Loch Affric; and thence the river runs 18 miles ENE, through Lochs Affric and BENEVEIAN (2½ miles by 3¼ fur.), till, 2½ miles SW of Glenaffric Hotel, it joins with the Amhuinn Deabhaidh to form the GLASS. The scenery is lovely along its banks, wooded with birches and ancient pines, survivors of the Caledonian Forest; and the plentiful trout of its waters, all owned by The Chisholm, range from ½ to 1 lb. in weight. Salmon and grise are also sometimes taken, and the rod season lasts from Feb. 11 to Oct. 15.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 72, 73, 1880-78.

Afton, a rivulet of New Cumnock parish, SE Ayrshire, rises on the northern slope of Albany Hill, at an altitude of 1750 feet, near the meeting-point of Ayr, Dumfriesshire, and Kirkcubright shires. Thence it runs 9 miles northward, in rapid current, along the lovely valley of Glenafton, and falls into the Nith 3 furlongs NNE of New Cumnock church. It is celebrated in Burns's song, 'Flow gently, sweet Afton, among thy green braes.'

Afton-Bridgend, a village in the parish and immediately S of the village of New Cumnock, Ayrshire. Pop. (1891) 384.

Agabatha, an ancient military fort in Collesie parish, Fife, on a small eminence near Trafalgar hamlet. It and another fort, the Maiden Castle, appear to have been formed to command the pass from Newburgh to the central part of Fife; and they must have been important stations. The eminence on which Agabatha stood was surrounded by a moat.

Agston. See OXTON.

Aharcle. See ACHARACLE.

Aheurich, a glen containing a considerable lake in Dunbarton district, Argyllshire, a few miles N of Strontian.

Aich or Eich. See BENEICH.

Aichitibuie, a hamlet in Lochbroom parish, Ross-shire. It has a public school with accommodation for 87 children, an average attendance in 1891 of 86, a grant of £78, 15s.; and a post office with money-order, savings bank, and telegraph departments.

Aigas or Eilean-Aigas, a rocky islet in Kilmorack parish, Inverness-shire, immediately above the Drhuin, 5½ miles SW of Beaulieu. It is encompassed by divergent and convergent branches of the river Beaulieu; it measures about ¾ mile in length, and fully 1¼ mile in circumference; it has an oval outline, and rises abruptly to a height of about 100 feet above the water's level; it consists chiefly of conglomerate, and is covered with natural wood of birch and oak; it communicates with the mainland by a bridge; it was the retreat of Lord Lovat in 1697; and it is now occupied by a handsome shooting-lodge, built in 1839 by Lord Lovat for the two brothers 'Sobieski Stuart,' and afterwards the summer retreat of Sir Robert Peel. The roe used greatly to frequent it; the red-deer used occasionally to be found on it; and the wild turkey of America was introduced to it in 1842.

Aigle. See EDZELL.

Aikenhead, the site of the ancient church of Finhaven, in Oathlaw parish, Forfarshire, a short distance below Finhaven Castle. The church was probably parochial; and the walls of its burying-ground, enclosing a number of monumental stones, were standing in the latter part of last century.

Aikenhead, the seat of Jn. Gordon, Esq., in the former Lanarkshire portion of Cathcart parish—placed by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 wholly in Renfrewshire.

Aikenway, a high rocky peninsular tract in Rothes parish, Elginshire, at the foot of Beneagen Hill, and projecting into the Spey. It is fully a mile in length; rises steeply round three-fourths of its circuit from the Spey; was anciently surmounted by a castle, and otherwise fortified; and appears to have been a place of strong refuge and defence in times of danger from hostilities.

Aikerness, a lake at the N end of Pomona or Mainland, in Orkney, opposite Rousay.

Aiket Castle, a ruined ancient structure in Dunlop parish, N Ayrshire. It is of various dates, includes a lofty keep, and was once the seat of a branch of the Cunninghams.

Aikey Brae, a place on the W border of Old Deer parish, Aberdeenshire. The final overthrow of the Comyns by Edward Bruce, said to have occurred here, is commemorated by an annual fair, called Aikey Market, on the Wednesday after 19 July, as also by a cluster of tumuli over the graves of the men who were slain.

Ailsa Craig, a rocky islet in the Firth of Clyde, 10 miles W by N of Girvan, and 12½ S of Arran. Forming part of Knockgerran barony in Dailly parish, Ayrshire, it belongs to the Earls of Cassillis, and gives them, in the peerage of Great Britain, the titles of Baron (1806) and Marquis (1841). It rises almost murally from the water; attains an altitude of 1114 feet above the mean level of the tides; and figures conspicuously in most views from either the bosom of the Firth or the broad expanses of land which spread away from it to distant watersheds. Its base is elliptical, and measures 3300 feet in one direction, 2200 feet in another. Its rock is columnar syenitic trap. Its columns, on a close view, are ill defined; but, seen at a little distance, they look as distinct as those of the basaltic colonnades of Skye. They likewise have great magnitude, ranging from 6 to 9 feet in breadth; and, in one part, they rise without a break to nearly 400 feet in height. 'If Ailsa Craig,' says Dr Macculloch, 'has not the regularity of Staffa, it exceeds that island as much in grandeur and variety as it does in absolute bulk. There is indeed nothing, even in the columnar scenery of Skye or in the Shiant Isles, superior as these are to Staffa, which exceeds, if it even equals, that of Ailsa. In point of colouring, these cliffs have an infinite advantage, the sobriety of their pale grey-stone not only harmonising with the subdued tints of green, and with the colours of the sea and the sky, but setting off to advantage all the intricacies of the columnar structure; while, in all the Western Islands where this kind of scenery occurs, the blackness of the rocks is not only often inharmonious and harsh but a frequent source of obscurity and confusion.' A landing on the Craig is difficult, and can be effected only on the E side, at a small beach formed by fallen fragments of the rock. The ascent, to a height of about 200 feet, is easy, and leads to the ruins there of a square building, which may have been a hermitage, but of which nothing certain is known. The ascent thence is extremely laborious, over fragments of rock, and through a dense tangle of gigantic nettles. Two copious springs are not far from the summit; and a scanty but fine herbage, with somewhat perilous footing for man or even beast, covers the upper parts and the top. Crowds of rabbits burrow in the lower parts; a few goats subsist on the herbage higher up; and countless myriads of sea fowl inhabit all the cliffs. The rabbits are thinned during January usually to the number of from 600 to 1200, and they are of excellent quality, and find a ready market. A tacksman, with assistants, inhabits the rock during the summer months, to gather feathers and to catch fish. A scheme was agitated, a number of years ago, to make the rock a fishing station, in connection with the steamers from Glasgow to Liverpool, and buildings were actually commenced, but never finished. In July, 1868, a lighthouse and two long-distance fog-signalling stations, one on the north and the other on the south side of the island, were established. The south signal is produced by a double-note siren, giving three blasts in quick succession, the first a high note, the second a low note, and the third a high note, every three minutes. The north signal is produced by a single-note siren, giving a high note for five seconds, then silent 175 seconds. The signals are timed so that the north sounds 90 seconds after the south has ceased, in order that the sound of the two signals may not clash. The blasts can be heard at a distance of 15 miles. A favourite custom in excursion steamers is to fire a gun and alarm the birds

which inhabit the cliffs. The scene which follows is wondrously sublime.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 7, 1863.

Ailsh, a lake of SW Sutherland, 6½ miles SSE of Assynt. It is fed by a streamlet from Benmore, but is commonly regarded as the source of the river Oikel.

Ainort, a sea-loch in the SE of Skye, opening at the NW end of the Sound of Scalpa, and penetrating the land about 3 miles south-westward.

Ainort, in the mainland of Inverness-shire. See **AYLORT**.

Ainort, in South Uist. See **EVNOET**.

Aird, a hamlet in Inch parish, Wigtownshire, 2½ miles E by S of Stranraer. Another hamlet, Bridge of Aird, on Bishop Burn, is 1 mile E of Stranraer.

Aird, a fertile district in the E of Inverness-shire, in the basin of the river Beauly. It is very beautiful as well as fertile, and it belongs chiefly to the clan Fraser.

Aird, an extensive ruin supposed to be the remains of a Danish fort, on the E side of Kintyre, Argyllshire, 1 mile N of Carradale Point, and opposite Machrie Bay in Arran. It crowns a rocky promontory, and overhanging the sea, was defended by a deep wide ditch, and had an outer wall 210 feet long, 72 broad, 6 thick, and 12 high.

Aird, a picturesque waterfall in Tynron parish, Dumfriesshire, on the river Shinnel, a short distance below Tynron Manse.

Aird or Eye, a peninsula of Stornoway parish, on the E side of Lewis island, with whose mainland it is connected by an isthmus, ¼ mile wide. It extends 7 miles north-eastward, from Chicken Head to Tuimpan Head, has a breadth of from 2 to 3½ miles, and flanks all the E side of Broad Bay, or Loch-a-Tuath. It contains itself six little lochs, and its highest point is 266 feet above the sea. It anciently formed a chapelry called Ui or Uy; and it is now included in the parliamentary *quoad sacra* parish of Knock. Its old chapel is in ruins.

Aird, a hamlet and a headland at the north-eastern extremity of Skye, near Troaod Island, and 30 miles W by S of the mouth of Gair Loch.

Aird, a hamlet, with a public school, in Sleat parish, Skye.

Aird or Strathaird, a headland at the southern extremity of Skye, terminating the peninsula between Lochs Scaavaig and Slayán.

Aird, Argyllshire. See **AIRDS**.

Aird, Ross-shire. See **COIGACH**.

Airdit, a hill summit, 515 feet high, on the mutual boundary of Leuchars and Logie parishes, NE Fife. In Leuchars is the ruined old mansion of Airdit.

Airdlamont. See **ARDLAMONT**.

Airdle or Ardle, a small river of NE Perthshire. It is formed by the union of two streams, the one descending from the Grampians in the E forest of Athole, along Glen Fernal,—the other descending from the W along Glen Briarachan; and it flows south-eastward along Strath-Airdle in Kirkmichael parish, and a little below Nether Traquhair unites with the Snee to form the Ercht. Its length of course is about 13 miles.

Airdmeanach. See **ARDMEANACH**.

Airdnamurchan. See **ARDNAMURCHAN**.

Airdrie (Gael. *airde-riùth*, 'smooth height'), a parliamentary and municipal burgh in New Monkland parish, NE Lanarkshire, 2 miles E by N of Coatbridge, 10 E of Glasgow, and 32 W by S of Edinburgh. It stands on the great highroad between the two cities, with which it also communicates by the North British railway, having one station (South Side) on the main Bathgate line, and another (Commonhead or North Airdrie) on the Slamannan branch, 16 miles WSW of Manuel Junction. With Glasgow it is further connected by the Caledonian Railway and the MONKLAND CANAL, extending to Calder ironworks, 1½ mile to the SSW. Lying between two rivulets, on the side of a hill with a south-westward slope from Raywards (624 feet above sea-level) to Coatbridge (361 feet), Airdrie consists of several principal streets, with others of a smaller class diverging from them; it is built on a regular plan, has many excellent houses, is airy,

well paved, and lighted, and is supplied with good water. Chalmers identified its site with Ardderyd, the battlefield of Rhydderch and Gwendolew (573); but Ardderyd or Arthuret is far away in Cumberland (Skene, *Celt. Scot.*, i. 157), and the first that we hear of Airdrie is its erection into a market-town by Act of Parliament in 1695, with the privilege of holding a weekly market and two yearly fairs. Down even to the close of last century it was merely a large village, and its rapid expansion during the next five decades was due to the opening up of the rich beds of coal and ironstone around it, to facilities of communication with the markets and outlets of the West and to its share in the weaving orders of Glasgow manufacturers. It was made a municipal burgh in 1821, one of the five FALKIRK parliamentary burghs in 1832, and got extended powers in 1849; and in 1885 the burgh



Arms of Airdrie.

boundaries were extended by a special Act. It is governed by a provost, 4 bailies, and 10 councillors, with treasurer, town-clerk, and procurator-fiscal. Airdrie unites with Falkirk, Hamilton, Lanark, and Linlithgow, in returning 1 member to parliament under the name of the Falkirk burghs. The parliamentary constituency was 2193 in 1891; municipal, 3153. Airdrie has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments; branches of the Bank of Scotland, and of the Clydesdale, National, Royal, and British Linen Company banks; a savings bank, insurance offices, a gas-light company, a water company, conjointly with Coatbridge, a fire brigade, a fever hospital, several hotels and posting establishments, a race-course, and a Saturday newspaper—the *Airdrie Advertiser* (1855). A weekly market is held every Tuesday, and the fairs are on the last Tuesday of May and the third Tuesday of November.

The chief public edifices are a good Town-Hall, erected about 1832, with spire and clock, and handsome County Buildings, in which are held a sheriff court every Tuesday and Friday, a small-debt court on Tuesday, ordinary and debts recovery courts on Friday, a justice of peace court every Monday and Thursday, and a burgh court on Monday. The first town in Scotland to adopt the Free Library Act (1856), Airdrie has now a public free library of 8000 volumes (transferred to new buildings in 1880), besides a mechanics' institute and school of arts. There are also a public hall, a masonic hall, and a Good Templars' hall, and offices of a town mission, a female benevolent society, a young men's Christian association, and the New Monkland Agricultural Society (1805). Two public drinking fountains were erected in 1865—one, 20 feet high, in front of the Royal Hotel; the other, octagonal and Early Decorated in style, at the crossroads, on the site of an ancient cross; another in 1887.

The *quoad sacra* parish of Airdrie, in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, had a pop. (1871) of 13,666, but this included the Flowerhill district at the E end of the town, which in 1875 was constituted a separate *quoad sacra* parish, and in 1891 had a pop. of 4534, when Airdrie parish had 11,924. Airdrie parish church, built in 1835, and called the West

Church, contains 1200 sittings; under it is Rawyards mission station. Flowerhill Church was erected for a quondam Reformed Presbyterian congregation, which joined the Establishment in 1873. Completed in 1875 at a cost of £6000, it is a Romanesque structure, seating 900, and adorned with a bell-tower over 100 feet high. An organ was introduced into the church in 1886. Other places of worship are four Free churches (West, Broomknoll, High, and Graham Street), two U.P. churches, one Baptist church, one Reformed Presbyterian, one Wesleyan, one Congregationalist, one Evangelical Union, and one Roman Catholic—St Margaret's (1839), with 1010 sittings. The Academy was built in 1849 at a cost of £2500, defrayed by Mr Alexander of Airdrie House, who further endowed it with £80 a-year; and two fine new board schools, the Albert and the Victoria, were opened in 1876. There are burials for children of the town attending these schools (chiefly the Academy), of an aggregate yearly value of £100; and they are eligible for one or more of five college bursaries, of £22 for five sessions. There are in all five schools—four of them public (Academy, Albert, Chapelside, and Victoria), and one Roman Catholic. These five had a total accommodation for 3128 children, an average attendance of 2962, and grants amounting to £2977, 10s. 1d.

The manufacturing prosperity, after growing for 50 years with the growth of a New-World rather than of an Old-World town, was checked for a season, again to show symptoms of renewed vigour. There are some 50 collieries and ironstone mines at work in New Monkland parish, while the Calderbank Steel and Coal Company has several furnaces in operation at Calderbank and Chapelhall; in and without the town there are brass and iron foundries, engineering shops, oil and fireclay works, brickfields, quarries, paper-mills, silk and calico printing works, and cotton, winey, hosiery, flannel, and tweed factories. Steps have lately been taken towards providing an increase in the water supply, by Airdrie and Coatbridge conjointly, an Act of Parliament having been secured for the purpose. Value of real property, (1861) £30,284, (1872) £30,926, (1881) £33,027, (1891) £48,275. Pop. (1831) 6594, (1861) 12,918, (1871) 31,488, (1881) 13,363, (1891) 19,135.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 13, 1867.

Airdrie, an estate with a mansion in Craig parish, Fife. The estate belonged, in the reign of David II., to the family of Dundemore; in the 15th century, to the Lumdens; in the reign of James VI., to Sir John Preston, president of the Court of Session; afterwards, to General Anstruther; and latterly, to Methven Erskine, Esq., who became Earl of Kellie, and died here in 1830. The mansion is embosomed in wood, crowns a swelling ground at the distance of 2½ miles from the coast, and includes an ancient tower which commands a magnificent view from Edinburgh to the ocean and from St Abb's Head to the Bell Rock lighthouse.

Airdrie Hill, a property in New Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, 1½ mile NE of Airdrie. It is rich in iron ore, and has a band of ironstone from 2 to 4 feet thick, about 3 fathoms below the blackband. Here is a new school under conjointly the New Monkland and the Clarkston school-boards. Opened in 1876, it had (1891) accommodation for 290 children, an average attendance of 130, and a grant of £114, 17s.

Airds, an estate in Appin, Argyllshire, with the seat of Rt. Macfie, Esq., 3 furlongs SE of Port-Appin village. The estate lies opposite the upper end of Lismore island, occupying a peninsula between Lochs Linnhe and Creran; and comprises 6700 acres valued at £2027 per annum. Dr Macculloch, speaking of the peninsula, says:—'I do not know a place where all the elements, often incongruous ones, of mountains, lakes, wood, rocks, castles, sea, shipping, and cultivation are so strangely intermixed, where they are so wildly picturesque, and where they produce a greater variety of the most singular and unexpected scenes.'

Airds, a bay in Muckairn parish, Argyllshire, on the S side of Loch Etive.

Airdsmoss or **Airsmoss**, a morass in the E of Argyllshire, between the Water of Ayr and Lugar Water. It begins about 1½ mile ENE of Auchinleck village, extends about 6 miles north-eastward, has a mean breadth of about 1½ mile, and is approached over most of its SE side, and crossed over a small part of its further end, by the railway from Auchinleck to Muirkirk. It was the scene, on 20 July 1680, of a sharp skirmish between 63 of the Covenanters and a party of dragoons, fatal to Richard Cameron; and it contains, at a spot where the deadliest of the strife occurred, a monument popularly called Cameron's Stone. The present monument is neat and modern; but the original one was a large flat stone, laid down about 50 years after the event, and marked with the names of the Covenanters who fell in the skirmish, and with the figures of an open Bible and a hand grasping a sword. The skirmish of Airdsmoss is the subject of the well-known effusion, beginning—

'In a dream of the night I was waffed away,
To the moorland of mist where the martyrs lay;
Where Cameron's sword and his Bible are seen,
Engraved on the stone where the heather grows green.'

Aires or **Ox Rocks**, rocky islets of Kirkcolum parish, Wigtownshire, ¼ mile from the W coast, and nearly 1 mile SW of Corsewall lighthouse.

Airgoid, one of the summits of the Bengloe mountain range in Blair Athole parish, Perthshire.

Airhouse, an estate of the Earl of Lauderdale in Chan nelkirk parish, Berwickshire, 5¼ miles NNW of Lauder. Near it is Airhouse Law (1096 feet), one of the Lammermuir Hills.

Airi-Innis, a lake, about 2 miles long and ½ mile broad, in Morvern parish, Argyllshire.

Airleywight, the seat of Thos. Wylie, Esq., on rising ground, in Auchtergaven parish, Perthshire, 3¼ miles NNW of Dunkeld station.

Airlie, a parish of W Forfarshire, whose Kirkton, towards the NW, is 5¼ miles WSW of the post-town Kirriemuir, and 4¼ miles NNW of Eassie station, this being 8 miles WSW of Forfar, and 24¼ NE of Perth. At it is the parish church (rebuilt 1783; 411 sittings); a Free church standing 2½ miles to the SE, and the village of Craigton 1½ mile ESE.

Bounded NW by Lintrathen, N by Kingoldrum, NE by Kirriemuir, SE by Glamis, S by Eassie and Meigle (Perthshire), and W by Ruthven and Alyth (Perthshire), the parish has an extreme length from ENE to WSW of 6½ miles, an extreme width from NNW to SSE of 3½ miles, and a land area of 8923 acres. Melgam Water winds 1½ mile along the Lintrathen border, and by Airlie Castle falls into the ISLA, which here runs 1½ mile southward on the Alyth boundary through the picturesque Den of Airlie, a rocky gorge with precipitous copedall braes, and after a digression into Ruthven, either bounds or traverses, for 1 mile more, the SW angle of the parish; whilst DEAN Water, its affluent, meanders 7¾ miles along all the southern border. The lower half of the parish, belonging to STRATHMORE, sinks to 120, and nowhere exceeds 246 feet above sea-level; but the northern half is hilly, rising to 421 feet near Grange of Airlie, 511 near Airlie Castle, 556 near Muirhouses, and 472 at the NE angle. The rocks, except for a trap dyke crossing the Isla, are all Devonian, but throughout two-thirds of the area are overpaved by sand or gravel; the soils range from deep alluvial loam along the Dean to thin poor earth upon the highest grounds. The Romans' presence here is attested by traces of their Strathmore road near Reddie in the NE, and in the SW by a camp near Cardean; but Airlie's memories cluster most thickly round the old castle of Airlie's lords. It stood on the rocky promontory washed by the Melgam and Isla, 1½ mile WNW of the Kirkton; and naturally strong, had been so fortified by art as to be deemed impregnable. But in July 1640, the Earl of Argyll, raising 4000 Covenanting clansmen, under a ruthless writ of fire and sword issued by the Committee of Estates, swept all the mountain district between his own territory and the eastern coast, and came down on the Braes of Angus to attack the hated Ogilvies in their strongholds. The Earl of

Airlie was away in England, and his son, Lord Ogilvy, fled at the host's advance; who, having plundered, burned the 'bonnie house,' Argyll himself, as Gordon tells the tale, 'taking hammer in hand, and knocking down the hewed work of doors and windows till he did sweat for heat at his work.' A rare old ballad celebrates the incident with many poetic embellishments. The moat has been half filled up, and little is left of the original pile but the wall on its eastern and most accessible side—high and massive, with frowning portcullis entry; for the present castle is but a goodly modern mansion, designed at first as merely a summer resort, and afterwards greatly enlarged. In 1458 Sir John Ogilvy, knight, of Lintrathen, descended from the first Thane of Angus, received a grant of the castle and barony. His son, Sir James, ambassador to Denmark in 1491, was the same year ennobled as Lord Ogilvy of Airlie; and James, seventh lord, was in 1639 created Earl of Airlie and Baron Ogilvy of Alyth and Lintrathen. The present holder of these titles is David Stanley William Ogilvy (b. 1856; suc. as eleventh Earl 1881). Another chief proprietor is Sir Thos. Munro (b. 1819; suc. as second Bart. 1827); his seat, Lindertis, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of the Kirkton, is a castellated mansion, rebuilt in 1813. Airlie is in the presbytery of Meigle and synod of Angus and Mearns; the living is worth £240. Two public schools, Airlie and Craigton (girls'), with respective accommodation for 96 and 62 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 66 and 22, and grants of £66, 1s. and £14, 6s. Valuation, (1891) £9114, 19s. Pop. (1801) 1041, (1831) 860, (1841) 868, (1871) 778, (1881) 844, (1891) 741.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 56, 1870.

Airtully. See AIRTELLY.

Airmoss. See AIRDMOSS.

Airth, a village and a parish of E Stirlingshire. The village lies $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the Forth, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Stirling, $5\frac{1}{2}$ N by E of Falkirk, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ E by N of Airth station (in St. Ninians parish), on a branch of the Caledonian, this being 3 miles S by W of South Alloa, $3\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Larbert Junction, $22\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Glasgow, and $32\frac{1}{2}$ WNW of Edinburgh. The railway branches off again near Airth, one branch going on to South Alloa, the other crossing the Forth by the new bridge a little to the west of the town of Alloa. Airth has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments, a cross bearing date 1697, the parish church (1820; 800 sittings), a Free church station, and a U.P. church; at Dunmore, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW is St Andrew's Episcopal church (1851), an early English edifice, with nave and chancel, and several good stained windows. Pop. (1891) 440.

The parish contains also the port of South ALLOA, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW. It is bounded S by Bothkennar, SW by Larbert, and W by St Ninians; whilst NW, NE, and E it is washed for 6 miles by the Forth. From NNW to SSE it has an extreme length of 5 miles; its breadth from E to W varies between 7 furlongs and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 6388 acres, of which 572 are foreshore and 3393 water. Excepting the central hills of Dunmore and Airth, the latter and higher of which but little exceeds 100 feet, the surface everywhere is low and level, and seems at a late geological period to have all lain under the waters of the Forth. Strata of shells, at no great depth, are found throughout the low grounds; and in 1817 the skeleton of a whale, 75 feet long, was discovered in cutting a road, more than 2 furlongs from the present beach; later still an anchor was found in Dunmore Hill, half a mile from it. Much fertile land has been reclaimed from the tide and from a state of moss in the W, where Letham and Dunmore mosses have still an extent of some 300 acres, 270 more being pasture, and 4850 in tillage. The Pow Burn, entering from St Ninians, winds through the middle of the parish to the Forth, a little above Kincardine Ferry, and is crossed by the 'Abbey Town' and other bridges; and a spring, one of several said to have been medicinal, is called the 'Lady Well'—both names suggestive of Airth's former connection with Holyrood Abbey. The rocks belong to the Carboniferous formation, and Dunmore colliery was working here in 1879; sandstone, too, of various texture

and hue, being quarried at several points. Plantations, luxuriant and well assorted, adorn the Airth and Dunmore estates, one chestnut at Airth having a height of 65 and a circumference of 16 feet, and a Scotch pine at Dunmore containing upwards of 250 feet of cubic timber. Airth Castle, on the SE extremity of circular Airth Hill, which commands a magnificent view, dates partly from the latter half of the 16th century, partly from 1802. Its modern northern façade is a meagre pseudo-antique, but the southern and eastern fronts have many interesting features. Thus, 'Wallace's Tower' stands on the outer, not inner, angle, is corbelled only on its eastern side, and presents a pepper-box turret, which Billings pronounces of native, not French or Flemish, origin; and on either hand of the tower are a row of curious gabled dormers, one of them having a starry-headed tympanum (*Baronial Antiquities*). On the eastern slope of the hill stands the ruined church, once held by Holyrood, with a N round-headed arch, belonging to the Transition period or close of the 12th century, the 15th century Airth aisle, and the 16th century Dunmore aisle (*Procs. Soc. Ant. Scot.*, 1879, pp. 165-170). An earldom of Airth was conferred in 1633 on William Graham, eighteenth Earl of Menteith, but became extinct at the death of its second holder in 1694; Airth Castle belongs now to Colonel Graham, who owns 1145 acres in the shire of an annual value of £3242. Dunmore, a plain, though castellated mansion, with splendid gardens, is the seat of Chs. Adolphus, seventh Earl of Dunmore (b. 1841; suc. 1845), who is fifth in descent from Chs. Murray, first Earl of Dunmore (cre. 1686), the second son of John, first Marquis of Athole, and who owns in Stirlingshire 4620 acres, and in Inverness-shire 60,000, valued at £8923 and £2239 per annum. In all, 8 landowners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, 4 of from £50 to £100, and 8 of from £20 to £50. Airth is in the presbytery of Stirling and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living amounts to £370. Three schools, Airth, South Alloa, and Lord Dunmore's, with respective accommodation for 182, 100, and 84 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 123, 51, and 62, and grants of £102, 18s. 6d., £42, 12s., and £53, 11s. Valuation £13,769, 6s. 5d., including £1620 for railway. Pop. (1801) 1855, (1811) 1727, (1831) 1825, (1861) 1194, (1871) 1396, (1881) 1362, (1891) 1297.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 39, 1869.

Airthmithie. See AUCHMITHIE.

Airthrey, an estate, with a mansion and with mineral wells, in Logie parish, Stirlingshire. The estate adjoins Clackmannan and Perth shires, was sold about 1796 by Robert Haldane, the founder of Scottish Congregationalism, to Gen. Sir Rt. Abercromby, brother of Sir Ralph, the hero of Aboukir Bay, and remained in the family of Baron Abercromby till 1890, when it was acquired by Donald Graham, Esq. The mansion stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE of Bridge of Allan, was built in 1791 from a design by the architect Adam, is a castellated structure of moderate size, and has a park of remarkable beauty, commanding superb views of the Ochils and of the plain beneath them. Two standing stones are in the park, without inscription, emblem, or any historical identification, yet popularly believed to be commemorative of the total defeat of the Picts by the Scots in 839. The mineral wells are on the brow of an ascent from the Bridge of Allan, are approached thence by tasteful walks, have a neat bath-house, with shock, shower, plunge, and douche baths; and, though four in number, yield only two waters, called the weak and the strong water. The waters act in the way of saline aperient; and, for general medicinal effect against various chronic diseases, they have long competed in fame with the waters of the most celebrated spas in Britain. One pint of the weak water, according to the analyses of Dr Thomson, contains 37.45 grains of common salt, 34.32 of muriate of lime, and 1.19 of sulphate of lime; and one pint of the strong water contains 47.354 grains of common salt, 38.461 of muriate of lime, 4.715 of sulphate of lime, and 0.450 of muriate of magnesia.

Aith, a bay, a headland, and a hamlet in Aithsting

parish, Shetland, on the W side of Mainland, 12 miles NW of Lerwick. The bay is good fishing ground. The headland flanks the NE side of the bay, and is called Aithness.

Aith or Skail, a lake, nearly a mile long, in Sandwick parish, Orkney.

Aithernie, an estate in Scoonie parish, Fife, 2 miles W by N of Largo. An ancient tunulus, on the top of a conical hill here, was opened in 1821, and found to contain about twenty stone coffins, together with other sepulchral remains.

Aithova, a good harbour on the E side of Shetland, in Bressay Sound, near Lerwick.

Aithsting, an ancient parish in Shetland, on the W side of Mainland. It is now united to Sansting.

Aithsvoe (Norse *eids vögr*, 'isthmus bay'), a creek or bay in the SE of Shetland, immediately N of Mousa island, and 9½ miles S by W of Lerwick. A run-inscribed stone, discovered here in 1872, is discussed in *Proc. Soc. Ant. Scot.*, 1875, pp. 425-430.

Aith Wards, the southern part of Hoy, in Orkney, almost insulated by Long Hope Bay.

Aitnaach, a Craig, formerly crowned with an ancient square fort, on the bank of the rivulet Rye, in Dalry parish, Ayrshire.

Ait-Suidhe-Thuin or Fingal's-Sitting-Place, a mountain at the head of Loch Portree, in Skye. It takes its name from a fancy that Fingal sat upon it, surveying the athletic exploits of his heroes; it rises, from a broad base, with an easy and gentle ascent, but becomes steep toward the top; it is all, except its crowning parts, either covered with crops or finely pastoral; it attains an altitude of more than 2000 feet above sea-level; and it commands a view of nearly all the W coast of Ross-shire, of the greater part of the Skye and Long Island groups of the Hebrides, and of multitudinous and picturesque forking and disseverments of the Deucalionian Sea.

Akermoor, a small lake, on a high tableau, in the S of Yarrow parish, Selkirkshire.

Akin-Kyle. See KYLE-AKIN.

Aladale. See GLENALLADALE.

Alasuden. See ST BOSWELLS.

Alaterva, the quadram Roman station on the site of Crumond village, Edinburghshire.

Alauna. See ALLAN, Perthshire.

Alcluid. See DUMBARTON.

Aldarder, a burn in Knockando parish, Elginshire, running about 4 miles to the Spey. It became wildly riotous, and underwent a remarkable change in the great flood of 1829. It previously made a waterfall of 80 feet in leap; but, at the time of the flood it changed its course, rushed furiously against a small hill, undermined that hill, and swept part of it away, formed on the hill's site a chasm or ravine about 750 feet in length, and from 60 to 100 feet in depth, and underwent such alteration of its own bed as reduced its previous water-leap of about 80 feet to an inclined cascade of only about 7 feet.

Aldbar. See AULDBAR.

Aldcambus (Gael. *all-camhus*, 'stream of the bay'), an ancient parish on the coast of Berwickshire, now united to Cockburnspath. It was one of the places granted by King Edgar to the monks of Durham, along with his priory of Coldingham, in 1098; its ruined Norman church of St Helen dates from a not much later period. Crowning a cliff 200 feet high, 2 miles to the E of Cockburnspath village, this picturesque fragment consisted till recently of nave and chancel; but the latter, barely 16 feet in length, has been pulled down for the repair of dykes and barns. In a wood at Aldcambus, Bruce was preparing engines for the siege of Berwick (1317), when a monk brought him the papal truce, addressed to 'Robert, Governor of Scotland.' 'I listen to no bulls till I am treated as king, and have made myself master of Berwick,' was the haughty reply.

Aldcathie, formerly a detached portion of Dalmeny parish, Linlithgowshire, on the Union Canal, ¼ mile SW of the main body. The western part of Aldcathie

was transferred in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish of Ecclesmechan, and the eastern part to that of Kirkliston. It has an extreme length of 1 mile 5 furlongs, a breadth of 7 furlongs, and an area of 656 acres; and its highest point somewhat exceeds 300 feet. Prior to the Reformation it formed a separate parish.

Aldcluyd. See DUMBARTON.

Alder. See BENALDER.

Alderman or Allt-Annan, a rivulet rising on the southern slope of Meall nan Caora (2368 feet), in the extreme W of Perthshire, and flowing first southward, then eastward along the N border of Dumbartonshire, till after a course of 3¾ miles it joins the Falloch below Inverman Hotel.

Alderston, an estate, with a mansion, in Haddington parish, Haddingtonshire, 1¼ mile WNW of Haddington.

Aldgirth. See AULGIRTH.

Aldham or Haldame, a decayed village and an ancient coast parish of N Haddingtonshire. The village stood ½ mile S of Tantallon Castle, and 3½ miles E by S of North Berwick; near it was the parish church (demolished 1770), in whose fore-runner, according to the legend, one of St Baldred's three corpses was buried in 756. (See Bass.) The parish included the lands of Aldham and Scougal, granted with Tynninghame and three more places to Durham by King Duncan (1093-94); it was united to Whitekirk in the 17th century.

Aldie Wester, a hamlet in Fossoway parish, Kinross-shire, 2 miles ESE of Rumbling Bridge station on the Devon Valley branch of the North British. Near it is Aldie Castle, the ancient seat of the Mercers of Aldie and Meikleour, now represented by Baroness Nairne. Though long untenanted, it is a fine and well-preserved ruin, dating from the 16th century.

Aldivalloch. See CAERACH.

Aldourie (Gael. *all-dur*, 'water stream'), the seat of Chs. Ed. Fraser-Tytler, Esq. (b. 1817; suc. 1878), in Dore parish, NE Inverness-shire. It stands on the right shore of Loch Dochfour, at the foot of Loch Ness, 7 miles SW of Inverness. It was the birthplace of Charles Grant (1746-1823), statesman and philanthropist, and of the historian, Sir James Mackintosh (1765-1832).

Aldreguie, a streamlet of Inveraven parish, Banffshire, falling into the Leviet at the E side of the Bochie.

Aldyonlie or Allt-Gheallaidh, an impetuous rivulet of Knockando parish, Elginshire, rising among the hills, and running 6¾ miles south-eastward and eastward, chiefly along the SW border of the parish, to the Spey. Its name signifies 'the burn of the covenant,' and is supposed to have originated in the forming of a solemn compact on its banks between two contending clans.

Ale, a rivulet of Coldingham parish, Berwickshire, is formed by the meeting of three rills at Threeburn Grange, a little above Press Castle, and runs 6 miles south-eastward to the Eye at a point about 1¼ mile SSE of Eye-mouth. Its fishing is poor, but parts of its valleys are deep and picturesque, rare ferns and mosses growing on the banks. Thomas the Rhymer has predicted how—

'At Threeburn Grange on an after day,
'There shall be a lang and bloody fray;
Where a three-thumbed right by the reins shall hold
Three kings' horse, bath stout and bauld,
And the Three Burns three days will rin
Wi' the blinde o' the slain that fa' therein.'

Ale, a river of Selkirk and Roxburgh shires, rises on the NW slope of Henwoodie (1189 feet) in Robertson parish, and flowing north-eastward through Ashkirk and Lilliesleaf, eastward along the southern boundary of Bowden and St Boswells, and south-eastward through Ancrum, falls into the Teviot, ¾ mile S of Ancrum village. It has a length of 24 miles, the first 5, up to Alemaur Loch, broken by frequent falls; and for two-thirds of its entire course it runs hemmed in by hills 800 to 1200 feet in height. By Lilliesleaf it enters a broader vale where, Lauder says, the angler 'wanders on for one long stretch, through sweet-scented meadows, with the stream running deep and clear, and with its waters almost level with the grassy plain through which

they flow.' The Ale's chief affluents are on the left hand, the Wilson Burn from Hellmuir Loch, Langhope Burn from Shaw's Loch, and Woll Burn; on the right hand the Woo Burn—all capital trout-streams like itself. See Sir Thomas Dick Lauder's *Scottish Rivers*.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 17, 24, 1864-65.

Alemuir, a loch in Robertson parish, Roxburghshire, 6½ miles SW of Ashkirk. It lies in the course of the Ale river, has a circular outline, measuring each way ¾ mile, and is, in places, 30 fathoms deep. Superstition long made it the haunt of a bloodthirsty water-kelpie, and Leyden sings:

'Sad is the wall that floats o'er Alemuir's lake,
And nightly bids her gulfs unbottomed quake;
While moonbeams sailing o'er the waters blue
Reveal the frequent tinge of blood-red hue.'

Alexandria, a town in BONHILL parish, Dumbartonshire, on the right bank of the LEVEN, opposite Bonhill town, with which it is connected by an iron suspension bridge of 433 feet span, erected in 1836 at the cost (£2200) of Captain Smollett of Bonhill. Its station, on a branch of the North British, is 19¼ miles WNW of Glasgow, 3¼ N of Dumbarton, 31½ WSW of Stirling, and 1¼ S by E of Balloch Pier, Loch Lomond. From a *clachan* or 'grocery,' Alexandria has risen in less than a century to a busy and prosperous town, this rise being due to the bleaching, printing, and dyeing works established in the Vale of Leven since 1768. Itself containing one extensive calico print and Turkey-red dye work, and a clog and block factory, it has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments; a branch of the Clydesdale Banking Company, and a savings bank; a Young Men's Christian and a Rifle Association; gas works, a hotel, and a public hall; the Vale of Leven Mechanics' Institute (1834), with a library of 3600 volumes and a handsome lecture hall, seating 1100, and built in 1865 at a cost of upwards of £3000; and the Ewing Gilmour Institute, consisting of a library and reading and recreation rooms, presented to the town by W. Ewing Gilmour, Esq., and costing about £12,000. There are six places of worship—Established (stipend £260), Free, U.P., Congregationalist, Wesleyan, and Roman Catholic. There are two good Board schools, the one erected in 1877, and the other in 1884, and a Roman Catholic school, which, with respective accommodation for 636, 530, and 411 children, had an average day attendance of 545, 416, and 286, and grants amounting to £543, 8s., £435, 5s., and £245, 5s. Pop. of town (1841) 3039, (1881) 6173, (1891) 7796. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish of Alexandria, in the presbytery of Dumbarton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, (1891) 8260.

Alford, a village and a parish of central Aberdeenshire. The village stands at the terminus of the Vale of Alford railway, 2½ miles WNW of Aberdeen, and has chiefly arisen since that line was opened in 1859. It contains the Free church and St Andrew's Episcopal church (erected in 1869), both Early English granite edifices, branches of the Aberdeen Town and County and of the North of Scotland Banks, several insurance offices, the Laughton Arms Hotel, a parish library (1839), and a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. Important grain and cattle markets are held at it every third Tuesday throughout the year, and feeing markets on the Mondays of the weeks before 26 May and 22 Nov.; and it is the centre of the Vale of Alford Horticultural Association (1831). Pop. (1871) 482, (1881) 529, (1891) 535.

The parish is bounded NW and N by Tullynessle, NE by Keig, SE by Tough, and S and SW by Leochel. Its greatest length from E to W is 6½ miles, its greatest breadth is 3, and its land area is 9102 acres. The swift and shallow DOX winds 6½ miles along the whole northern border, affords here as good trout and salmon fishing as any in its course, and 1¼ mile WNW of the village is spanned by a three-arched bridge, erected in 1811 at a cost of £2000, 128 feet long, and leading by the Strathogie road to Huntly, 21 miles to the N of Alford. Near this bridge stands the Forbes Arms Hotel, and ½ mile above it the LEOCHEL joins the Don,

after parting the parish into two unequal halves. Forming the SW portion of the Howe of Alford, the surface has a considerable altitude, its lowest point at the influx of the sluggish Bents Burn (the eastern boundary) being 420 feet above the level of the sea. There is a general southward rise from the right bank of the Don, but the western half is much more hilly than the eastern, the highest points in the latter being Strone Hill (950 feet), Cairnballoch (906), and Carnaveron (864), all rounded hills; whilst in the former are Dorsell (1055), Craig Hill (1007), Langgadlie (1468), Woodhill (1147), and the eastern slopes of Craigievar (1747), whose summit, however, lies just outside the bounds. Cultivation is carried up to 1160 feet, and more than half the parish is arable; along the Don and Leochel are extensive plantations of fine Scotch firs and larch, interspersed in the policies with silver fir and ornamental hardwood trees. The rocks consist of granite, syenite, and mica slate; the last predominates in the western division, and is intersected by numerous small veins of quartz. The soil varies from good light loam in the valley, famous for turnips and cattle, to strong clay, barely repaying the cost of tilling it. The 'lions' of Alford are a large round camp on conical Da' Mhil; a smaller one beside the church; a cairn on Carnaveron, 25 feet high and 125 in diameter; Balluig Tower; the ruins of the strong square castle of Asloon; and, midway between the village and the bridge, the battlefield where, on 2d July 1645, the Marquis of Montrose won his last victory over General Baillie. Each army numbered some 2000 men, but, while the Covenanters had the superiority in horse, Montrose had the advantage of position. Though Baillie's cavalry fled early in the day, the fight was obstinate, and the slaughter of Covenanters great. The Royalists' loss was trifling, but included Lord Gordon, the Marquis of Huntly's eldest son, whom a stray shot brought down, in act to lay hold of Baillie's shoulder-belt. A stone long marked the spot where he fell, and in the neighbouring moss, now drained, bullets and coins have often been discovered; while peat diggers, about 1744, came on a horse and its armour-clad rider. The chief mansions are Haughton, on the Don, 1¼ mile NE of the village, for more than two centuries the seat of the Farquharsons; Breda, just to the left of the mouth of the Leochel; and Kingsford, on its right bank, 1¼ mile SE of Alford: 3 landowners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 5 of from £100 to £500, and 14 of from £20 to £50. Alford is seat of a presbytery in the synod of Aberdeen; the living is worth £211. The church, standing upon the Leochel's right bank, 1¼ mile W of the village, was built in 1804 and enlarged in 1826, and is a plain edifice with 550 seats. A pre-Reformation church here, dedicated to St Andrew, was held by the priory of Monymusk, and from a *ford* by it over the Leochel (or *auld ford*?) the parish probably received its name. Two public schools, Alford and Gallowhill, had in 1891 respective accommodation for 178 and 153 children, an average attendance of 134 and 82, and grants of £126, 15s. and £70, 9s. Pop. (1801) 644, (1831) 894, (1851) 1143, (1871) 1396, (1881) 1472, (1891) 1402.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 76, 1874.

The presbytery of Alford comprehends Alford, Auchindoir, Cabraich, Clatt, Corgarff (*quoad sacra*), Glenbucket, Keig, Kennethmont, Kildrummy, Leochel-Cushnie, Strathdon, Tough, Towie, and Tullynessle-Forbes. Pop. (1871) 12,888, (1881) 12,242, (1891) 11,675, of whom 5017 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, the sums raised by the above congregations amounting to £814. The Free Church likewise has a presbytery of Alford, whose churches at Alford, Auchindoir, Keig and Tough, Kinnethmont, Rhyne, Strathdon, and Towie had 761 communicants in the year 1891.

Alford, Howe or Vale of, that portion of the Don's basin, from Kirkton of Forbes down to the Bridge of Keig, a distance of some 9 miles, which comprehends parts of Tullynessle and Keig to the N, and of Alford, Leochel, and Tough to the S of the river. From 5 miles broad to

7½, it is bounded NW by the Correen Hills (1588 feet), NE by Bennachie (1619), W by Callievar (1747), S by the hills of Alford, SE by those of Corrennie Forest (1621), and E by Cairn William (1469). See DOX, and the above-named parishes.

Alford Valley Railway, a railway of south central Aberdeenshire, defects from the Great North of Scotland at Kintore, and runs 16½ miles westward, by the stations of Kennay, Monymusk, Tillyfourie, and Whitehouse, to Alford village. Authorised in 1856, it was opened in 1859, and amalgamated with the Great North of Scotland in 1866. Its gradients are steep, the summit level on Tillyfourie Hill being 636 feet; and the journey occupies 65 minutes.

Aline, Loch, a hamlet and a sea-loch in Morvern parish, Argyllshire. The hamlet stands within the W side of the loch's mouth, 4 miles ESE of its post-village Morvern, is of recent origin, and has a pier and a public school, which in 1891 had an average attendance of 30 and a grant of £47, 15s. The loch strikes NNE from the Sound of Mull, immediately W of Artornish Castle, has a very narrow entrance, but expands to a width of fully ½ mile, and is 2½ miles long. Its lower part is comparatively tame, but its upper is rocky, intricate, and picturesque; and Scott, in his *Lord of the Isles*, speaks of 'green Loch Aline's woodland shore.' Two streams descend to its head—Ronach Water from Loch-Na-Cuirn through Loch Ternate, at the NE angle; and, at the NW, the larger Black Water, which, flowing through Glen Dubh, receives a tributary from Glen Gea. 'Here, at the mouth of the streams,' says Dr Macculloch, 'Loch Aline is indeed beautiful, as the close mountain scenery, the accumulation in limited space of woods and rocks, and brawling streams, and cascades, and wild bridges, intermingled with fields and farms, gradually blends with the more placid scenery of the loch itself.' Loch Aline House is a mansion near the village; and Kinlochaline Castle is a fine, old, turreted square tower on a bold, high rock, near the mouth of the Black Water, is said to have been erected by a lady of the clan Macinnes, and was besieged and captured by Colkitto, lieutenant to the Marquis of Montrose.

Alladale. See GLENALLADALE.

Allan (Gael. 'white river'), a rivulet of Teviothead parish, S Roxburghshire, formed by the confluence of the Skelfhill and Priesthaugh Burns, which rise on Langtæ Hill (1786 feet) and Cauldeleuch Head (1996), near the Dumfriesshire border, and take each a northward course of some 3½ miles. The Allan itself runs 5 miles NNW, receiving the Dodburn in its course, and falls into the Teviot, 4½ miles SW of Hawick. Since 1866 it has furnished that town with water, and in September 1832 an additional supply was introduced from the Dodburn. The Allan contains abundance of small trout. A Border fortalice of considerable strength, called Allamouth Peel, stood at its mouth; was last occupied by a brother of Sir Walter Scott of Buccleuch, the warden of the Scottish Border; and has left some remains.

Allan, a river of Perth and Stirling shires, rising in Blackford parish, SE Perthshire, on the northern slope of Little Corum (1683 feet), one of the Ochil Hills. Thence it runs NNE toward Blackford village, SW to Dunblane, and S to the Forth, which it enters 1 mile below Bridge of Allan, after a course of 20 miles, 15 of which are closely followed by the Caledonian line from Perth to Stirling. Near Blackford it receives the Danny Burn, at Greenloaming the KNAIK, Bullie, and Millstane Burns, and lower down the Muckle, Lodge, and Wharry Burns, all, like itself, yielding very fair trout fishing, which is mostly open to the public. The *Atavna* of Ptolemy, a town of the Damnonii, stood at the Allan's confluence with the Forth, a position guarding what was for many centuries the chief entrance to Caledonia from the S. See STRATHALLAN.

Allan, Melrose, Roxburghshire. See ALLEN.

Allanbank, an estate in Edrom parish, Berwickshire, on the S bank of the Whitadder, 1½ mile E by S of Edrom station. On it stood the ancient mansion of the Stuarts, Baronets of Nova Scotia from 1687 to 1849,

which was haunted by 'Pearlin Jane,' the phantom of a jilted Italian lady. Allanbank is also celebrated as the spot where in 1674 Blackadder, Welsh, and three other ministers dispensed the Communion to 3200 Covenanters (Lauder's *Scottish Rivers*, pp. 218-225).

Allan, Bridge of, a fashionable watering-place in Logic parish, Stirlingshire, as reconstituted by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. It stands on the left bank of Allan Water, and on the Scottish Central section of the Caledonian railway, 2 miles S by E of Dunblane and 3 N of Stirling, with which it was further connected by tramway in 1874. A favourite health and pleasure resort, at once for the mildness of its climate, its beautiful environs, and the near proximity of the mineral wells of AIRTHREY, it annually attracts great numbers of visitors. It comprises two parts or sections, an upper and a lower, the former on a small plateau of considerable elevation, the latter on alluvial ground adjacent to the river; and the declivity between these sections is adorned with trees and shrubs and public walks. Although containing several rows of well-built houses and many handsome shops, it mainly consists of elegant separate villas, with flower plots and gardens attached. It was constituted a police burgh in Oct. 1870, and is governed by a body of commissioners, consisting of a senior and 2 junior magistrates and 6 other members. It has a head post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, several first-class hotels, numerous private boarding and lodging houses, a branch of the Union Bank, insurance offices, bowling greens, a public reading-room, a fine art and natural history museum, Turkish baths, a large hydropathic establishment, a handsome well-house, a gas and a water company, and two Saturday papers, the *Reporter* (1859) and *Gazette*. Paper-making, bleaching, and dyeing are carried on; and cattle fairs are on the third Wednesday of April and October, whilst in Westerton Park, on the first Saturday of August, are held the most famous athletic games of Scotland, the Strathallan Meeting. Constituted a *quoad sacra* parish in 1868, in the presbytery of Dunblane and synod of Perth and Stirling, Bridge of Allan has an Established church, with 650 sittings, a handsome Gothic edifice, built in 1859, and greatly enlarged in 1876; its minister's stipend is £430. There are also a U. P. church (1846, 500 sittings), a Free church (1853, 800 sittings), with spire 108 feet high, and St Saviour's Episcopal church (1857-72, 200 sittings), both the two last being Decorated in style. A public school, with accommodation for 220 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 176, and a grant of £175, 7s. Airthrey Castle, Westerton House, Keir, and Kippencross are in the vicinity, as also are ABBEY CRAIG (362 feet), Dumyat (1375), and other summits of the Ochil range. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1871) 2584, (1881) 2462, (1891) 2690; of burgh (1861) 1803, (1871) 3055, (1881) 3004, (1891) 3207.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 39, 1869.

Allander, a small river of Dumbartonshire and Stirlingshire, rises in Strathblane parish, on the south-eastern slope of Auchinaden Hill (1171 feet), among the moors of the Kilpatrick Hills, and 5½ miles NNW of New Kilpatrick. It takes a south-eastward course of some 9 miles, and falls into the Kelvin 2½ miles E of New Kilpatrick. Through the Aldmaroch Burn it is fed in summer by a reservoir among the hills; and it brings down water thence, in droughty weather, for the mills on the Kelvin, whilst itself driving extensive machinery at places on its own course. Its dark-hued waters indicate their mossy source.

Allanrange. See KNOCKEAIN.

Allanmouth. See ALLEN, Roxburghshire.

Allanton, a village in Edrom parish, Berwickshire, situated at the confluence of the Blackadder and Whitadder, both spanned by bridges here, and 2½ miles E of Edrom station on the Duns branch of the North British. It has a school, with accommodation for 115 children, an average attendance (1891) of 35, and a grant of £35, 2s. 6d.; ½ mile S by E is a Free church.

Allanton, a coal-mining village, in Hamilton parish, Lanarkshire, 1¼ mile ESE of the town. Pop. 438.

Allanton, a hamlet in Galston parish, NE Ayrshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Newmilns station. It has a public school, with accommodation for 46 children, an average attendance (1891) of 14, and a grant of £26, 15s.

Allanton, a manston and estate in Cambusnethan parish, Lanarkshire, 2 miles NE of Newmans station. Having passed to his ancestors from Arbroath Abbey, it is a seat of Sir A. H. Seton-Steuart, eighteenth in descent from Alexander Steuart, fourth Lord High Steward of Scotland; fourth Baronet since 1814; and owner of 2673 acres, of £4076 (£1197 minerals) annual value, in the shire. The original castellated building, said to have been visited by Cromwell in 1650, was greatly enlarged by Gillespie Graham in the latter half of last century. A fine large park, with a picturesque lake, surrounds it; and the estate is rich in coal and ironstone.

Allardice. See ARBUTHNOTT.

Allan, a rivulet of Melrose parish, rises in the NW corner of Roxburghshire, on the northern slope of Sell Moor, at an altitude of 1200 feet. Thence winding 9 miles SSE, past hills 800 to 1000 feet high, it falls into the Tweed, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Melrose town. Its lower course lies through the Fairy or Nameless Dean, a narrow glen, threaded by the old monks' bridle-way to Soutra; and Scott laid here the scene of his *Monastery*. Instead, however, of the single peel-house of 'Glen-dearg,' three ruinous towers stand at the head of the glen—the Cairncrosses' Hillslap (1585), the Borthwick's Colmslie, and Langshaw. See Lauder's *Scottish Rivers*, pp. 115-117; and Hunnewell's *Lands of Scott*, pp. 322-332.

Allerly, a mansion near the left bank of the Tweed, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Melrose, Roxburghshire. It was long the residence of Sir David Brewster (b. 11 Dec. 1781), and here he died 10 Feb. 1868.

Allnach, a rivulet of Inverness and Banff shires, rising in several head-streams on the north-eastern slopes of Caiplich (3574 feet), one of the Cairngorm Mountains. It runs about 13 miles north-eastward, partly on the boundary between the counties, and falls into the Aven, 1 mile S of Tomintoul. In its upper course it is known as the Water of Caiplich.

Alloa, a river-port and parish; the former a seat of manufacture, and the chief town of Clackmannanshire, lies on the N bank of the tidal Forth, which, here emerging from its winding Links, has a width of $\frac{1}{4}$ mile. It has since 1815 held steamboat communication with Leith (28 miles) and Stirling (10 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles), and a steam ferry from 1853 until the opening of the new railway bridge, plied to South Alloa as terminus of a branch of the Caledonian from Larbert. Since then a steam launch leaves the ferry pier for South Alloa at intervals during the day. By two sections of the North British (1850-71) Alloa is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Stirling, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ W by N of Dunfermline, 17 WSW of Kinross, and 32 WSW of Ladybank. The railway bridge, which is about a mile above the ferry, consists of seventeen spans—two of 100 feet, two of 80, and thirteen of 68 feet. In the fairway of the channel two spans of 60 feet each, turning on a massive centre pier consisting of six cylindrical columns, open to allow vessels to pass. The piers on which the girders rest rise to a height of 24 feet above high-water mark, the foundations of some of them being 70 feet below the bed of the river. The bridge is for one line of rails only, and is about a quarter of a mile in length. By arrangement, the North British Railway Company have running powers over it, while the Caledonian gets the use of the former's passenger station, recently entirely reconstructed. The situation of Alloa is a pleasant one—in front the Lime-tree Walk (planted 1714), leading up from the harbour; eastward, close by, the old grey tower and modern mansion of the Earls of Mar and Kellie; westward the bonnie Links of Forth, with Stirling Castle beyond; and for a background the OCHIL HILLS. Great alterations and improvements have of late been made in the town. In 1822 a supply of water was obtained at considerable expense from the large artificial loch called Gartnorn Dam; and though this supply had been greatly increased and new water-works erected, owing to the expansion of the town steps had to be taken in 1892 to again increase the supply.

In 1877 the town acquired the gasworks for £23,250, the price of gas being since considerably reduced. Alloa has a post office, erected in 1882, with money order, savings bank, telegraph, and insurance departments; branches of the Clydesdale, Commercial, National, Royal, and Union banks, and a savings bank; several hotels, a volunteer drill hall, a masonic hall (1875), which cost £1100; a co-operative society, a county hospital (1893), etc.; and four papers, the *Saturday Advertiser* (1841) and *Journal* (1844), and the *Wednesday Circular* (1868) and *Weekly News*. The county court-house is a two-storied Flemish Gothic pile, with clock-tower and a court-room. The town hall and public library occupies a commanding site at Mars Hill, and was opened in 1888. It was the gift of John Thomson Paton, Esq., made contingent upon the town's adopting the Free Libraries Act. The corn exchange is Scottish Baronial in style, and is also used as an assembly hall. Other edifices are—the municipal buildings (1872), the custom house (1861), the hospital (1868), and the hall and museum (1874), in Grecian style, of a Natural Science and Archaeological Society, founded in 1863; at the head of the Walk stands an ornamental drinking-fountain (1869). The parish church (1817-19), restored internally in 1875, is an imposing Gothic structure, 124 feet long and 78 feet wide, with 1560 sittings and a spire-surmounted clock-tower 206 feet high. It took the place of an ancient church, whose tower alone remains, and whose site is partially occupied by the Erskine mansoleum. St Andrew's, seated for 800, was opened in 1882. There are two Free churches, East and West, and two U.P. churches—Townhead, or First (rebuilt 1851; renewed 1874), and West (rebuilt 1864). The fine Episcopal church of St. John the Evangelist (1867-69), enlarged 1872, cost over £5000, and consists of nave, chancel, and N aisle, with a SW tower and spire, 120 feet high, in which hang six good bells; it has, too, a splendid organ, a number of stained glass windows, a mosaic reared by Salviati, and monuments of Bishop John Alexander of Dunkeld (1694-1776) and members of the Erskine family, including a marble recumbent effigy of the late earl, designed by Mr Anderson, the architect. The former Episcopal church (1840) was converted in 1869 into St Mungo's Roman Catholic church. A new Baptist chapel was built in 1881, and there is one for Swedenborgians. The Academy was erected in 1825, the Burgh School at a cost of £3600 in 1876. Greenside School, founded and endowed by Alex. Paton at a cost of £5500 in 1865, was closed in 1879, when the other four board schools (Academy, Burgh, Broad Street, and Ludgate), and an Episcopal and Roman Catholic, with total accommodation for 1802 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 1572, and grants amounting to £1494, 12s. Besides the Lime Tree Walk, there is the West End Park, acquired in 1877 as a fen from the Earl of Mar and Kellie, extending to over 20 acres.

The harbour though improved has one great disadvantage, the ceaseless lodgment of mud. The water rises at neap tides from 14 to 16 feet, at spring tides from 22 to 24, yet the bed of the harbour is nearly on a level with the top of Leith pier; another noteworthy feature is the double or 'leaky' tide at every spring ebb and flow. By Acts of 1754, 1786, and 1803 the harbour trustees were empowered to rebuild the pier and execute new works; and the Big Pow was converted (1861-63) into a wet-dock, 600 feet long, 150 broad, and 24 deep, with a dock gate 50 feet wide, and a substantial high-level loading berth. The dock has since been greatly enlarged, and a powerful steam dredger obtained. Connected with the harbour is a fine graving dock and steam cranes. A 'creek' of Bo'ness from 1707 to 1822, and next of Grangemouth, Alloa was made a sub-port in 1838, and an independent port in 1840, its district extending along both sides of the Forth from the new bridge of Stirling to Higgins Neuk on the S, and the new piers of Kin-cardine on the N. On 31 Dec. 1891, it had on its register 4 sailing vessels of 1455 tons and 5 steamers of 91 tons, against an aggregate tonnage of 18,672 in 1845, 14,904 in 1853, 10,512 in 1863, 5527 in 1873, and 5133 in 1880. This shows a falling-off; but another tale is told by the

following table, which gives the tonnage of vessels that entered and cleared from foreign and colonial ports and coastwise, with cargoes and also—except for the three first years—in ballast:—

Entered.			Cleared.			
British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.	
1845	5921	679	6600	65,879	5446	71,325
1853	9295	3836	13,131	32,405	25,113	57,518
1863	11,385	13,979	25,364	16,546	23,225	41,771
1873	65,288	64,765	130,053	68,563	68,738	137,091
1876	90,528	71,284	161,822	99,769	71,378	171,147
1880	85,024	55,635	140,719	86,363	63,613	139,976
1891	58,399	123,667	182,066	85,874	140,371	226,245

Of the total 1102 vessels of 182,066 tons that entered in 1891, 75 of 21,414 tons were steamers, 592 of 101,687 tons were in ballast, and 436 of 59,194 tons were coasters; whilst the total 1300 of 226,245 tons of those that cleared included 400 steamers of 102,089 tons, 61 vessels in ballast of 15,192 tons, and 304 coasters of 37,710 tons. The trade is mainly, then, an export one, and coal the chief article of export, some 160,000 tons being shipped annually to foreign countries, besides about 15,000 coastwise. The exports (comprising also ale, whisky, pig-iron, etc.) amount to about £57,000, the imports to £112,000; the customs are small; the foreign commerce is principally with Baltic, French, German, Dutch, and Belgian ports. Shipbuilding has been carried on since 1790, and the graving dock, then constructed, can now receive vessels of 800 tons, though only one sailing ship of 2619 tons net was built here during 1891. There are 35 fishing boats of 237 tons, 21 of which were employed during the year, giving work to 55 men and boys. But 'as the virtual capital,' says Mr Lothian, 'of a county which, though small in geographical extent, contributes from the excise duties levied on spirits, malt, etc., about a seventieth part of the revenue of the United Kingdom, Alloa assumes a position of considerable importance.' Its earliest brewery was started in 1784, and at the eight existing now more than 100,000 barrels of strong and pale ale are yearly produced; whilst of two whisky distilleries, Carsebridge (1799) and Cambus (1806), the former alone in a single week can produce from 50,000 to 60,000 gallons. The spinning and manufacture of wool, dating from 1813, engage several factories, where thousands of tons of wool, mostly home grown, are annually wrought into knitting, hosiery, and tweed yarns; and there are cooperages, glass works, saw mills and timber yards, copper and engineering works, rope walks, brick and tile yards, a dyewood work and chemical manufactory, an iron foundry, and a pottery.

Camden identified Alloa with Ptolemy's *Alauna*, which Skene rather places at the Allan's confluence with the Forth. Twenty cinerary urns, supposed to be Roman, were discovered at Mars Hill in 1828, along with two stone coffins and a pair of gold penannular armlets; a sandstone block on Hawkhill, 10½ feet high, and sculptured with a cross, was found the year after to mark a very early Christian cist. But apart from its Tower the town has no memories beyond its pillage by Montrose's Highlanders in 1645. A burgh of barony and regality, it adopted the General Police Act in 1863, and is governed by a senior and 2 junior magistrates, and 6 commissioners. Sheriff county courts sit during session time every Wednesday and Friday, sheriff small debt courts every Wednesday; and quarter sessions are held on the first Tuesday of March, May, and August, and the last Tuesday of October. Saturday is market-day, and fairs are held on the second Wednesday of February, May (cattle), August (hiring), and November (cattle), and on the second Saturday of October (hiring). Valuation £38,983. Pop. (1784) 3482, (1831) 4417, (1841) 5443, (1851) 6676, (1861) 7621, (1871) 9362, (1891) 12,643, of whom 903 were in the Sauchie portion and 986 in the New Sauchie portion; of police burgh alone (1881) 8812, (1891) 10,754.

The parish of Alloa contains also the villages of Cam-

bus, 2½ miles WNW of the town; TULLIBODY, 2½ miles NW; and Collyland, 2 miles N. It is bounded N by Alva, the Sauchie section of Clackmannan, and Tullinooltry, E and SE by Clackmannan, S by Airth and St Ninians, W and NW by Logie. In the readjustment of the parish by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891, the small portion in Perthshire (3½ acres) was transferred to the county of Stirling and parish of Logie, while the Blackgrange district of Logie and the detached portion (1028 acres) of the parish of Clackmannan situated at Sauchie were transferred to the parish of Alloa, which is now wholly within the county of Clackmannan. The Forth winds 4½ miles along all the southern border, and here contains two low islets, Tullibody and Alloa Inches, the second and larger of which is a valuable farm of 80 acres. The Devon traces 4 miles of the Alva and Logie boundary, next striking 1½ miles through the western interior to the Forth; and the coarse lands of the latter and vale of the former consist of alluvial flats, with a fine rich soil incumbent on strong clay. The district between, though somewhat undulating, nowhere attains 300 feet above sea-level, and, with soils ranging from loam-covered gravel to thin earth resting on a cold till bottom, is all of it arable, and has been greatly improved by draining. The formation is Carboniferous, and coal has been mined in great abundance since 1519; sandstone and ironstone also have been worked. Gartmorn Dam, 2 miles ENE of the town, is an artificial lake, measuring 6 by 2½ furlongs, and fed by the Black Devon. Natives were Jn. Erskine, sixth earl of Mar (1675-1732—leader of the rebellion of 1715; David Allan (1748-96), the 'Hogarth of Scotland,' born at the Shore of Alloa; and Rt. Dick (1811-66), the Thurso geologist, born at Tullibody. Sir Ralph Abercromby (1734-1801), the hero of Abonkir Bay, attended Alloa school. Alloa Tower, built about 1223, was in 1360 bestowed by David II. on Sir Robert Erskine, Great Chamberlain of Scotland, whose seventh descendant, John, sixth Lord Erskine, was in 1561 created Earl of MAR—a title which, forfeited by the Jacobite earl in 1716, was restored in 1824, and with which that of Earl of Kellie (cre. 1619) was united in 1828. As the result of a lengthened litigation Mr Goodeve-Erskine was in 1885 declared twenty-sixth Earl of Mar (an Act of Parliament being passed to confirm the title), though the title of Earl of Mar and Kellie still remains with the Erskine family. Its present holder is Walter J. Francis, who succeeded on the death of his father in September 1888, when in his 23rd year. The Erskines have been connected with this parish since the time of King Robert Bruce, previous to which they dwelt in Renfrewshire. The tower is square and of great strength, the walls 11 feet thick, the topmost turret 89 feet high; and this strength it was that saved it from the great fire of 28 Aug. 1800, which destroyed all the later additions, along with a portrait of Mary Queen of Scots. Mary spent much of her childhood here, as also did James VI. and Prince Henry; and the latter's golf-club and James's cradle are still preserved. The modern house (1834-38) was much enlarged between 1866 and 1872, when its gardens, with terrace and lawns sloping down to the river, were likewise greatly improved. The three chief mansions in the parish, with distance from the town, proprietors' names, and the extent and yearly value of their estates (within the shire are:—Alloa Park Mansion, 4 furlongs E (Earl of Mar and Kellie, 6163 acres, £8256 + £1260 for coal); Tullibody House, 1½ NW (Lord Abercromby of Airthrey, 3707 acres, £5199); Schaw Park, 2½ miles NE (Earl of Mansfield, of Some Palace, 1705 acres, £1751 + £1866 for coal). In all, 8 proprietors hold in the parish an annual value of £500 and upwards, 44 of between £100 and £500, 59 of from £50 to £100, and 134 of from £20 to £50. Alloa is in the presbytery of Stirling and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £559. There are two landward schools, Alloa Parish and Tullibody, with accommodation for 355 and 205 children. Valuation, £55,341. Ss. 5d. Pop. (1891) 12,434.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 39, 1869. See Jas. Lothian, *Alloa and its Environs*; and Jn. Crawford, *Memorials of Alloa*.

Alloa, South, a hamlet and small seaport in Airth parish, Stirlingshire, on the right bank of the Forth, at Alloa Ferry, and at the terminus of the Larbert and South Alloa goods branch of the Caledonian railway, 6 miles ESE of Stirling. A steam ferry crosses to Alloa at intervals during the day. It has extensive timber yards and sawing and planing mills. As there are no harbour dues, merchants importing from the Baltic and other eastern ports, by discharging here save the heavy dues charged at Leith and Grangemouth.

Alloway, an ancient *quoad civilia* and a modern *quoad sacra* parish of Ayrshire, on the lowest reaches of the 'bonny Doon,' $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of the town of Ayr. The ancient parish, lying wholly to the right of the Doon, and separated by Glangaw Burn from Ayr, was united to the latter towards the close of the 17th century; the modern parish included a portion of Maybole, on the Doon's right bank, transferred to the parish of Ayr by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. In the presbytery of Ayr and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, with a stipend of £150, it possesses a handsome Gothic church (1858), enlarged in 1890, and a public school for 160 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 133, and a grant of £111, 1s.—'Alloway's auld haunted kirk,' a little roofless ruin, First Pointed in style, stands just below the 'Auld Brig' of Doon. Visited now by pilgrims from many lands, this long had been merely the resting-place of unknown peasant folk, when Burns selected it for the scene of the demon revelry of *Tam o' Shanter*. Near the churchyard gate, the grave of the poet's father (1721-84) is marked by a simple stone—not the original, which relic-mongers carried piecemeal away; the poet himself would fain have shared that grave. The interior of the kirk has been stripped of its woodwork, for snuff-boxes and the like; here is buried David Cathcart, Lord Alloway (1764-1829), senator of the College of Justice.—A cenotaph to Burns, erected in 1820, after a design by Hamilton of Edinburgh, at a cost of £3350, and comprising a triangular base, a Corinthian cyclostyle, and an ornate cupola, with surmounting tripod, stands about 100 yards E of the old church, and is surrounded by an enclosed plot of $1\frac{1}{4}$ acre, in which a small grotto contains Thom's statues of 'Tam o' Shanter' and 'Sauter Johnnie.'—The Auld Brig o' Doon, a gaunt structure of great antiquity, famous for the fight between Cassillis and Bargeny (1691), more famous for its part in *Tam o' Shanter*, crosses the river close to the monument; and the neat new bridge, later than Burns' day, spans it, some distance lower down.—The 'Auld Clay Biggin,' Burns' birthplace (25 Jan. 1759), and scene of his *Cotter's Saturday Night*, stands about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile to the N, and, therefore a public house, was purchased in 1880 for £4000 from the Ayr Corporation of Shoemakers by the trustees of the monument, by them to be converted into a kind of Burns museum.—Mount Oliphant, to which Burns' father removed in 1777, is about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the ESE; and Deonbrae Cottage, Cambusdoon House, Rozelle, and Doonholm are seats within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the church or monument. Alloway Mead, near the avenue leading to Doonholm, is an ancient artificial mound, used in old times for holding courts of justice.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 14, 1633.

Alltacoileachan, a burn in Inveraven parish, Banffshire, which, rising on the NE slope of Càrn a Bheadaich (2149 feet), flows about $\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW to the Terriv. The battle of GLENLIVET is named in the neighbourhood after it.

Allt-an-Fhearna (Gael. 'stream of the alder tree'), a loch in the NE of Kildeman parish, Sutherland, connected by a burn with Badnanloch. It lies at an altitude of 433 feet, is 7 furlongs long by 5 broad, and abounds in small trout and char.

Allt-Annan. See ALDERNAN.

Almagill, a hill in Dalton parish, Dumfriesshire, 7 miles E of Dumfries, consists of Silurian rock, and rising to a height of 720 feet, commands a view of nearly all Annandale. On its northern slope is a very distinct British camp, called Range Castle, 306 feet in diameter, with a surrounding ditch 9 feet deep and 27 wide.

Almerieclose, an estate, with a mansion, in St Vigeans parish, Forfarshire, contiguous to Arbroath. About 35 acres of the estate, on the river Brothock, were fenced for building purposes, and are now occupied by suburban streets and factories of Arbroath.

Almond, a river of Lanark, Linlithgow, and Edinburgh shires, rising in Shotts parish, 2 miles E of Kirk of Shotts, at an altitude of about 700 feet. It has an eastward course for 14 miles past Blackburn and Livingstone to near Midcalder; and thence, in a north-easterly direction, follows the boundary between Linlithgow and Edinburgh shires, past Almondell, Kirkliston, Carlewrie, and Craigiehall, to the Firth of Forth at Cramond. Its total length, exclusive of smaller windings, is 24 miles; its bed, over great part of its course, is broad and either gravelly or rocky; its waters, after heavy rains, often come down in great freshets, overflowing the banks and doing much injury to low, fertile, adjacent lands, but of late years have been extensively restrained by strong and high embankments. Its chief tributaries are Breich Water on the right above Livingstone, the Broxburn on the left above, and the Gogar Burn on the right below, Kirkliston. Its lower reaches traverse a picturesque wooded ravine, and between Midcalder and Kirkliston the stream is crossed by an aqueduct of the Union Canal, and by a viaduct of the Edinburgh and Glasgow branch of the North British railway. The fishing, ruined by oil-works and the steeping of flax, is improving in consequence of legal proceedings, and trout are beginning to be once more found.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 31, 32, 1867-57.

Almond, a river of Perthshire, rising in the SE corner of Killin parish, within 3 miles of Loch Tay, at an altitude of 2750 feet, and running eastward and east-south-eastward over a distance of 30 miles. It either traverses or bounds the parishes of Monzie, Crieff, Fowls-Wester, Methven, Redgorton, and Tibbermore, and finally falls into the Tay $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles above Perth, and nearly opposite Scone. Its vale, GLENALMOND, is for a long way strictly a glen, narrow and stern, overhung by lofty heights. Part of it, indeed, is a chasm or romantic pass, with breadth of bottom sufficient only for the river and a road, and with flanks of bare rocky cliffs rising to the height of from 1000 to 3000 feet above the level of the sea; here is the ancient stone-faced excavation, believed by some—Wordsworth among their number—to be the resting-place of Ossian. The lower half of the river's vale is flanked only by hills, braes, and undulations, and presents a cultivated aspect. That part immediately below the pass contains two ancient Caledonian stone circles, several ruined ancient fortalices, and the Scottish Episcopal College. A spot further down, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Methven, is said to be the grave of 'Bessie Bell and Mary Gray,' famed in pathetic ballad. Lynedoch House, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile lower down, was the seat of General Graham, Lord Lynedoch (1750-1843), the hero of Barossa. The river abounds in small trout.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 47, 48, 1869-68. See pp. 213, 214 of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (ed. by Princ. Shairp, 1874).

Almondbank, a village in the E of Methven parish, Perthshire, on the right bank of the Almond, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N by W of a station of its own name on the Caledonian; this station having a telegraph office, and being 4 miles WNW of the post-town Perth. At the village are a pest office with money order and savings' bank departments, an inn, 2 bleachfields, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 151 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 59, and a grant of £56, 13s. 6d. Pop. (1861) 356, (1871) 371, (1881) 351, (1891) 289.

Almond or Haining Castle, a ruin in Muiravonside parish, Stirlingshire. Built by the Crawfords in the reign of James III., it passed in 1540 to the Livingstones, and changed its name of Haining to Almond Castle in 1633, when James, third son of the first Earl of Linlithgow, was created Baron Livingstone of Almond, a title exchanged by him in 1641 for those of Earl of Callendar and Baron Almond. The castle ceased to be inhabited about the middle of last century, but is still a fine specimen of old domestic architecture.

Almondale. See AMONDELL.

Alness, a river, a village, and a parish of Ross-shire. The river rises among mountains 4 miles WNW of Loch Moir, and, traversing that loch, which is 2½ miles long, and about ¾ mile wide, runs thence 11 miles east-south-eastward, along the boundary between Alness and Rosskeen parishes, to the Cromarty Firth at Alness village. Its vale is upland, wild, and romantic; exhibits numerous scenes highly attractive to painters and poets; and at one place, in particular, called Tollie, is impressively grand. Both its own waters and those of Loch Moir are well stocked with trout.

The village stands on both banks of the river, and on the Highland railway, 10 miles NNE of Dingwall; consists of two parts, Alness proper in Alness parish, and Alness-Bridgend in Rosskeen parish; and has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, an hotel, 2 large distilleries, and fairs on the second Tuesday of January, the first Tuesday of March, the Wednesday of April before the first Amulree May market, the day in May after Kildary, the second Wednesday of June, and the Wednesday of July, of August, and of September after Kyle of Sutherland. In 1878, during the construction of a branch line from Alness station to Dalmore distillery, which is close to the sea-shore, 18 pre-historic graves were discovered. All were short cists, formed of flat stones, and contained human bones, urns, flint and bronze implements, etc. (*Proc. Soc. Ant. Scot.*, 1879, pp. 252-264). Pop. (1891) of Alness proper, 309; of Alness-Bridgend, 705.

The parish is bounded N by Kincardine, E by Rosskeen, S by Cromarty Firth, and W by Kiltearn. Its greatest length from N to S is about 20 miles, and its average breadth is 5. The lands along the shores of Cromarty Firth are prevailing flat, cultivated, and beautiful; those inland and northward are hilly, heathy, and bleak. The hills, though not arranged in ridges, are high, and in some cases mountainous, Fyris Hill rising 1478 feet above sea-level. Springs of excellent water are everywhere numerous; and the AULTGRANDE river, following the Kiltearn boundary, presents very grand features. The rocks are Devonian and Silurian, the former occurring in conglomerate, while the Silurian merge into gneiss. Vast erratic blocks or boulders abound in many parts, and have with great difficulty been blasted or otherwise removed in the cultivated tracts. Great improvements have been effected within the last forty years on the Culcairn and Novar properties, in the way of reclaiming, draining, fencing, building, etc. The rental of the latter estate increased from £2413 in 1868 to £3124 in 1877, one cause of such increase being the great extent of waste brought under larches and Scotch firs. Three proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, and 2 of from £20 to £50. Two cairns and a ruined pre-Reformation chapel are the chief antiquities. Alness is in the presbytery of Dingwall and synod of Ross; its minister's income is £244. The parish church, built in 1780, contains 800 sittings, and there is also a Free church; whilst 3 public schools, Alness, Both, and Glenglass, with respective accommodation for 120, 70, and 52 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 72, 29, and 49, and grants of £69, 8s., £42, 3s., and £63, 7s. Valuation £8531, 4s. 9d. Pop. (1871) 1053, (1881) 1033, (1891) 1039.

Alnwick or Annick Lodge, a collier village in Irvine parish, Ayrshire, 3 miles NE of Irvine town. There is a public school with accommodation for 200 children, which had (1891) an average attendance of 124, and a grant of £116, 2s.

Alpety, a place in Arbutnot parish, Kincardineshire, 4 miles NW of Bervie.

Alsh, Loch. See LOCHALSH.

Altachoylachan. See ALLTACHOILEACHAN.

Altamarlach. See ALTIMARLACH.

Altando, a coast hamlet in Lochbroom parish, NW Ross-shire, 32 miles NW of Ullapool. A public school at it, with accommodation for 90 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 78, and a grant of £94, 10s.

Altavig or Altivaig, two islets off the NE coast of Skye, 2½ miles SSE of Aird Point. The larger contains remains of a small old chapel.

Altadouran, a rivulet in Leswalt parish, Wigtownshire. It issues from a moss of nearly 1000 acres, traverses a romantic glen, makes a fine cascade at entering the glen, and passes on to the Sole Burn, about a mile above that stream's influx to Loch Ryan. Its name signifies 'the Otters' burn.'

Altens, a coast hamlet in Nigg parish, Kincardineshire, 2½ miles SSE of Aberdeen. It was formerly a considerable fishing settlement; but owing to the badness of its harbour, and the want of suitable means for curing haddock, it became deserted by fishermen.

Altgrad. See AULTGRANDE.

Altimarlach, a burn in the parish of Wick, Caithness, flows through the Loch of Winless, and falls into Wick Water, 4 miles to the W of the town. Its banks were the scene of a famous conflict on 13 July 1680, between the Campbells and the Sinclairs. Sir John Campbell of Glenorchy, afterwards Earl of Breadalbane, claimed the Earldom of Caithness, but was resisted in his claim by George Sinclair of Keiss; and, to enforce it, marched at the head of 700 Argyll Highlanders from the banks of the Tay to beyond the promontory of the Ord. Keiss, on his part, was revelling with 400 followers at Wick, when tidings reached him, 'The Campbells are coming.' All mad with drink, his men rushed out to the fight, were instantly routed, and fell in such numbers that 'the victors crossed the Altimarlach dry-shod on their bodies;' but Keiss next year obtained the earldom by award of Parliament.

Altin or Haltin, a glen in Suizort parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire.

Altirrie, a small headland in Petty parish, Inverness-shire, 5 miles NE of Inverness.

Altivaig. See ALTAVIG.

Altmore, an impetuous rivulet formed by several head-streams in the SE of Rathven parish, Banffshire, and running 5½ miles southward till it falls into the Isla.

Altma-breac, a station on the Caithness railway, 10 miles SW of Halkirk, with a telegraph post office. A shooting lodge, costing about £4000, was erected here in 1892 by Sir Tollenaiche Sinclair.

Altinach. See ALLNACH.

Alt-na-Giuthasach, a lodge in Balmoral forest, SW Aberdeenshire, near the foot of Loch Muick, and 9 miles SSE of Balmoral Castle. At this her 'humble little bothie,' the Queen first heard of the Duke of Wellington's death, 16 Sept. 1852.

Altma-harra (Gael. *alt-na-charra*, 'stream of the stone pillar'), a hamlet in Farr parish, Sutherland, near the head of Loch Naver, on the road from Bonar-Bridge to Tongue, 21 miles N of Lairg station, and 17 S of Tongue. It has a post office under Lairg, an inn, a Free church, a school, and a fair for cattle and horses on the Friday of September before Kyle of Sutherland.

Altneakealgach. See ASSYNT.

Altналait, a burn in the E of Ross-shire, running along the southern boundary of Kiltearn parish to Cromarty Firth.

Altнаrie, a burn in Ardcloch parish, Nairnshire, rising and running among mountains, with a southerly course, to the Findhorn. It makes a profound and very romantic fall within a deep, wooded, sequestered glen.

Alton, a village in Loudoun parish, Ayrshire, 1½ mile N of Galston. The name is a contraction from Auld-town.

Altrive, a stream and a farmstead in Yarrow parish, Selkirkshire. The former rises in the two head-streams of Altrive Lake and Altrive Burn, on the declivities of the Wiss (1932 feet) and Peat Law (1737), and runs about 3½ miles NNE to the Yarrow river, at a point 2 miles ENE of the foot of St Mary's Loch. The farmstead stands upon the stream's left bank, ¼ mile above its mouth, and was the home of Hogg, the Ettrick Shepherd, from 1814 down to his death, 21 Nov. 1835. He held it of the Duke of Buccleuch at a nominal rent, and had, said Allan Cunningham, 'the finest trout in the

Yarrow, the finest lambs on its braes, the finest grouse on its hills, and as good as a *smá still* besides.'

Altruadh, a rivulet in Rothiemurchus parish, Inverness-shire.

Ait-Torquail, a streamlet in Kildonan parish, Sutherland.

Alytre, a burn, an estate, and a quondam parish, in Elginshire. The burn rises in Edinkillie parish, on the SW slope of the Hill of Glaschyle, at an altitude of 950 feet; and flowing some 10 miles northward, past Alytre House and Forres, falls into Findhorn Bay, 1 mile WSW of Kinloss. It has an impetuous current, often flooding the neighbouring low grounds, and covering them with *débris*; in its lower reaches it takes the name of Forres Water. Alytre House, 4 miles S of Forres, belongs to Sir William-Gordon Gordon-Cumming, fourth Bart., representative of the ancient Earls of Badenoch; and is a fine modern mansion in the Italian style, standing on the right bank of the burn, at an altitude of 212 feet above sea-level. Its estate consists mainly of wooded hill and of pasturage, but also includes much arable land, with thin but productive soil. The parish belonged to the parsonage of Dallas, till in 1661 it was annexed by Act of Parliament to Rafford. Its ancient church, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of Alytre House, is a small but interesting First Pointed structure; and a hill where the capital sentences of the baron court of Alytre were carried out, still bears the name of Gallow Hill.

Alum Well, a mineral spring in Dysart parish, Fife, a little W of Dysart town. Its water has long been famed for curing sores; and, besides being much visited on the spot, is often sent in bottles to considerable distances.

Alva (Gael. *aibheach*, 'rocky'), a town and a parish, annexed from Clackmannan to Stirling shire about the beginning of the 17th century, but reincorporated with the former by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. By road the town is 2 miles W of Tillicoultry, $3\frac{1}{2}$ N of Alloa, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ ENE of Stirling; as terminus of a branch of the North British, opened in 1863, it is $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Cambus Junction, $\frac{5}{8}$ from Alloa, $7\frac{1}{2}$ from Stirling, and (*via* Alloa Bridge) 35 NE of Glasgow, $40\frac{1}{2}$ WNW of Edinburgh. A police burgh, and the seat of thriving industries, it lies upon Alva Burn, 45 feet above sea-level, at the southern base of the Ochils, and across the mouth of beautiful Alva Glen; it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Union Bank, gasworks, 2 hotels, a town-hall, a Young Men's Christian Institute (1880), a new cemetery (1873), public baths and washhouses (1874), and a people's park (1856), 10 acres in extent—the last two both the gift of the late James Johnstone, Esq., of Alva House. A hamlet seems to have stood here from the close of the 13th down to the opening of the 18th century, when a village was projected, to have the form of a square. Only two sides of it were built, however, other houses arising on no fixed plan, till about 1767 the village was formally enlarged. In 1795 it contained some 140 houses; between 1798 and 1841 eight woollen factories were opened, causing rapid extension of dwellings and population. Blankets and serges were the only fabrics produced up to 1829, when shawls were introduced; and tartan dress goods, tweeds, handkerchiefs, plaids, and shirtings followed. A number of spinning mills are now at work, with numerous sets of carding engines, driven by steam and water power. The yearly value of raw material used is over £120,000, and of goods manufactured between £200,000 and £250,000; whilst the hands employed number some 200 in the spinning mills, 700 journeymen, 100 apprentices, and 550 female winders and twisters. There are, too, a brickfield, and a shuttle, an oil, and an engine factory. The parish church, anciently dedicated to St Serf, and held by Cambuskenneth Abbey, stands on rising ground a little to the E, and, twice rebuilt (in 1632 and 1815), was enlarged in 1854, so as now to contain 700 sittings. Alva has also a Free Church, a U.P. church, a Baptist chapel, and 2 schools (Park Place and Alva), which, with respective accommodation for 1020 and 220 children, had an average attendance of 722 and 181 in 1891, with

grants amounting to £631, 15s., and £132, 9s. 6d. Pop. (1791) 600, (1841) 2092, (1851) 3058, (1861), 3147, (1871) 4096, (1881) 4961, (1891) 5225.

The parish is bounded NW by Ardoch and Blackford in Perthshire, and on all other sides by Clackmannan parishes—namely, by Tillicoultry, by Clackmannan, and by Alloa. From NNE to SSW it has an extreme length of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest width from E to W is $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 5473 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. When the parish was transferred to the county of Clackmannan, the Menstrie district of the parish of Logie was added to it. The Devon winds 4 miles westward along all the southern boundary, and midway is joined by Alva Burn, which, rising at an altitude of 1750 feet, runs 4 miles southward, itself on the left receives Glenwinnel Burn ($2\frac{1}{2}$ miles long), and in Alva or Strude Glen forms 3 cascades, the largest of them over 30 feet high. The beauties of this romantic glen, steep, narrow, and rocky, have been opened up to lovers of the picturesque by an excellent pathway, constructed by Mr Johnstone (1869-70). Between the Devon and the Ochils is a low, rich arable tract, from 3 to 6 furlongs wide, with first an alluvial soil, next one of stiffish clay, then a moss-stratum resting upon clay, and lastly good hazel mould, intermixed with gravel and small stones. NE of this valley or Hill-foot, as it is called, a bluff, 220 feet high, is finely surmounted by Alva House ($1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ENE of the town), whose 'bonnie woods' climb far up the slopes of Wood Hill to the rear. The top of Wood Hill is 1723 feet above sea-level, and left of it rise Middle Hill (1436 feet) and West Hill (1682); behind these, Craighorn (1904) and Bengencie (1855). Still further N are Benbuck (2000) and Blairdenon (2072); but the summit of BENCLEUCH (2363), highest of all the Ochils, falls just within the Tillicoultry border. The rocks of the Hill-foot are chiefly carboniferous, and a colliery—closed in 1879—yielded some of the finest coal; those of the hills are eruptive, containing cobalt, and lead, copper, and iron ores; and here, in the glen between Middle and Wood Hills, Sir John Erskine, Bart., discovered a silver mine (c. 1712) with this result:—"Walking with a friend over his estate, he pointed out a great hole and remarked, "Out of that hole I took £50,000;" then presently, walking on, he came to another excavation, and, continued he, "I put it all into that hole." Sir John it was to whom 'Alexr. Steuart, found guilty of death for theft at Perth the 6th of December 1701,' was 'gifted by the Justiciars as a perpetual servant,' according to the inscription of a brass-collared dredged from the Forth in Logie parish (1784), and now preserved in the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum; and Sir John's nephew, Lord Alva, a lord of session, presented (1767) two communion cups of native silver to Alva church. The Erskines of Alva, now represented by the Earls of Rosslyn, sprang from the fourth son of the seventh Earl of Mar, and held the estate (before then owned by Stirlings and Menteiths) from 1620 to 1775, when Lord Alva sold it to a cadet of the Westerhall Johnstones. Their present descendant, J. Augustus Johnstone, Esq., owns 6927 acres in Clackmannanshire, of which 5340 acres are in Alva, with a yearly value of £5225 (including £500 for minerals). Of the latter sum, £2286 is for the seven farms of Alva parish, whose area (exclusive of the minstrie district) comprises 3150 acres in tillage, 2120 in pasture, and 188 under wood. Twenty-three lesser proprietors hold each an annual value of from £50 to £100. Alva is in the presbytery of Stirling and synod of Perth and Stirling; the stipend is £213. Valuation (1851) £13,971, including £439 for railway. Pop. (1801) 787, (1821) 1197, (1841) 2136, (1861) 3283, (1871) 4296, (1881) 5113, (1891) 5360.—*Ord. Surv. sh. 39, 1869.*

Alvah, a parish on the NE border of Banffshire. It has no village, but lies from 2 to $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of its post-town Banff, and is readily accessible from the railway stations of Plaidy and King Edward. It is bounded NE by Gamrie, E by Aberdeenshire, S by Forglan, SW by Marnoch, and NW by Banff. Its land area was 11,488 acres, but this was increased by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 adding to it the detached portion of the parish of King Edward. Alvah and Forglan originally formed

one parish, but were separated prior to the middle of the 17th century. The eastern boundary of Alvah is partly defined by the DEVERON, partly by artificial lines eastward of that river, which has a course, within or along the border of the parish, of $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles. The surface is very diversified, elevations from S to N being Brownside Hill (600 feet), Herod Hill (700), Newton Crofts (443), Cowie Hill (605), the Hill of Ord (573), Mubry Hill (472), Green Law (444), and the isolated Hill of Alvah (578), which serves as a landmark to mariners. The scenery along the Deveron, at some points soft and charming, at others is bold and picturesque. The chasm of the Craigs of Alvah, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the church, contracts the river's waterway between two rugged precipices to a width of but 27 feet, occasions a pool there 56 feet deep, and, checking the current in freshets, so throws it back as often to cause great floods above. It is spanned, at a height of 55½ feet, by a Roman-looking bridge, with majestic arch, erected in 1772 by the Earl of Fife. The scene around this bridge is deeply impressive; northward it opens into a rocky amphitheatre, rising to a height of nearly 100 feet, and richly clothed with herbage, shrubs, and trees. About 7000 acres of the area are under cultivation, 750 under wood, and 3500 waste or pasture land. The rocks are chiefly greywacke and clay slate; the soils and subsoils mostly diluvial. A noted fountain, called St Colme's Well, was not long ago converted into a source of constant and copious supply of pure water to the town of Banff. Other springs of pure water are numerous; and there are several chalybeate wells. An ancient castle, said to have been built by an Earl of Buchan, stood in a swamp, now a fertile field, near Mountblairy, and a chapel crowned an adjoining eminence; but both have disappeared. A large tumulus and two small cairns may still be seen; but two ancient Caledonian stone circles have been almost entirely destroyed. George Chapman, LL.D. (1723-1803), a writer on education, was a native. Mountblairy House and Dunlugas House are the chief mansions; four landowners hold each an annual value of £500. Part of the parish, with 206 inhabitants in 1871, is annexed *quoad sacra* to Ord; the rest is in the presbytery of Turrieff and synod of Aberdeen, its minister's income amounting to £295. The church stands near the northern border, was built in 1792, and contains 600 sittings. Under the school-board are Alvah school and girls' schools at Dunlugas and Linhead, which, with respective accommodation for 143, 48, and 80 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 76, 40, and 45, and grants of £73, 9s., £42, 14s., and £29, 3s. 6d. Valuation £9910, 6s. 10d. Pop. (1831) 1278, (1861) 1467, (1891) 1332.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 86, 96, 1876.

Alves, a village and a coast parish of Elginshire. The village stands $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of a station of its own name on the Great North of Scotland railway, at the junction of the Burghead branch, and $\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Elgin, is small and straggling, and has a post office under Forres.

The parish formerly included a large portion of what is now Kinloss, but was curtailed in 1659 or 1660. It is bounded NW for $3\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs by Burghead Bay, NE by Duffus, E by Spynie, SE by Elgin, SW by Rafford, and W by Kinloss. Its length, from N to S, is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth is $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its land area is 9404 acres. Alves contains no stream of any size; and the conical Knock (335 feet), at the eastern extremity of the parish, is the only noteworthy summit in its upper half. This is crowned by the modern York Tower, and claims, like several neighbouring localities, to have been the meeting-place of Macbeth and the Witches. The lower half of the parish consists entirely of wooded uplands, that culminate in Eildon Hill (767 feet) on the SE border. A hard and very durable sandstone is quarried for building purposes, and a rock suitable for millstones is also worked. Aslisk Castle, 2 miles SW of the village, is a ruined baronial fortalice; and near the old Military Road stood Moray's Cairn, thought to commemorate a battle, but now destroyed. Near it some Lochaber and Danish axes have been exhumed. Four landowners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 3 of between £100 and £500, and 1 of from

£50 to £100. Alves is in the presbytery of Elgin and synod of Moray; its minister's income is £310. The church is a long, narrow building, erected in 1760, and containing 590 sittings. There is also a Free church, rebuilt in 1878 at a cost of £1000, which measures 50 by 42 feet, seats 500, and has a spire 53 feet high. A board school, with accommodation for 200 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 139, and a grant of £114, 16s. Pop. (1831) 945, (1871) 1018, (1881) 1117, (1891) 1096.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 85, 95, 1876.

Alvie, a parish of Badenoch, SE Inverness-shire, traversed for 10 miles from its south-western to its north-eastern border by the Spey, Wade's military road, and the Highland railway, with the central station on the last of Kincaig, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Grantown. It is bounded NE and E by Duthill, SE by Aberdeenshire, S by Perthshire, W by Kingussie, and NW by Moy; its greatest length from N to S being $21\frac{1}{2}$ miles, its breadth from 3 to 11 miles, and its land area 86,618 acres or 135 square miles. Most of this area is occupied by mountains, those to the left of the Spey forming part of the Monadhliath range; those to its right, of the Grampians. The former culminate in Càrn na h'Easgainn (2656 feet) on the western boundary beyond the DULNAN river, and, between the Dulnan and Spey, in Geal Càrn Mòr (2702 feet) and Beinn Bhreac (2618). These heights are surpassed by those of the SE or Glen Feshie portion, where an outskirt of Braeriach rises upon the eastern border to 4149 feet, while lesser elevations are Sgoran Dubh (3658 feet), Càrn Bàn (3443), Meall Dubh-achaidh (3268), and Monadh Mòr (3651). There are in the whole parish 27 summits exceeding 2000 feet above sea-level or 1279 above Loch INSH, the lake into which the Spey expands, and the western shore of which belongs to Alvie. Loch Alvie, in the NE, the only other lake of any size, measures 1 by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and communicates with the SPEY, which has a wide head of 150 feet, and which, 3 miles higher up, receives the Feshie. The latter stream, rising in the extreme south of the parish, winds 23 miles northward; its glen was the object of the 'delightful, successful expedition' made by the Queen and Prince Consort, 4 Sept. 1860. 'The Feshie,' Her Majesty writes, 'is a fine rapid river, full of stones. As you approach the glen, which is very narrow, the scenery becomes very fine, particularly after fording the Eidart [a considerable affluent]. . . . The rapid river is overhung by rocks, with trees, birch and fir; the hills rise very steeply on both sides, with rich rocks and corries—while the path winds along, rising gradually higher and higher. It is quite magnificent' (*Leaves from the Journal of our Life in the Highlands*, pp. 140-144). The Journal then goes on to relate how the royal party came upon 'a most lovely spot, the scene of all Landseer's glory,' and 7 miles lower down emerged in Strathspey, where they saw the cairn at which Argyll halted before the battle of Glenlivet (1594), and passed by Kinrara. This lodge belongs to the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, and gives him since 1876 the title of Earl of Kinrara, but at present is tenanted by the Earl of Zetland. It stands between Loch Alvie and the Spey, on a rocky knoll embosomed in continuous beech-forest; was visited by Prince Leopold (afterwards King of the Belgians) in 1821; and was the summer residence of the 'sprightly' Duchess of Gordon (1746-1812), whose grave in the valley below, at a spot she had chosen herself, is marked by a beautiful monument. Above on Tor Alvie are a granite column, 90 feet high, to her son, the fifth Duke (1770-1836), and a cairn to the officers of the 42d and 92d slain at Waterloo, the 92d Gordon Highlanders having been raised in Strathspey in 1794. Belleville House, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Loch Insh, stands where Raits Castle, the Comyns' ancient stronghold, stood; and, built by 'Ossian Macpherson' (1798-96), was the scene of his literary labours and death. A marble obelisk, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile distant, is sculptured with the Bard of Morven's bust; and a pond in a meadow before the house is the 'Lochandhu' of Sir Thomas Dick Larder's romance (1825), a birch-grove that once surrounded it having formed the retreat of the bandit

Borlum. A cairn, two concentric circles, and an obelisk at Delfour, make up with some tumuli the antiquities of Alvie, whose sparse population is almost confined to Strathsey, the only arable portion of the parish. 'Most striking,' writes the Queen, 'was the utter solitude on our whole long journey. Hardly a habitation! and hardly meeting a soul!' At Lynwilg in the NE is a post office (under Aviemore); Lynchat is a hamlet in the extreme SW; near Loch Alvie stand the parish church (1798), the manse, and a school, with (1891) an average attendance of 65 children, and a grant of £89, 17s. 6d.; at Kincaig is a Free church and another post office (under Kingussie). Valuation £8947, 6s. 6d. of which £3337, 18s. 6d. belonged to The Mackintosh, and £2319 15s. to Sir Geo. Macpherson-Grant of Ballindalloch. Pop., mostly Gaelic-speaking (1881) 707, (1891) 656.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 64, 74, 1874-77.

Alyth, a town of E Perthshire, and a parish formerly partly also in Forfarshire. Standing upon the Burn of Alyth, 300 feet above sea-level, the town by road is 5½ miles ENE of Blairgowrie, ¾ NW of Meigle, and 29 S by E of Braemar; as terminus of a branch of the Caledonian, opened in 1861, it is 5½ miles NW of Alyth Junction, 17½ W by S of Forfar, 23½ NW of Dundee, and 25½ NE of Perth. It is a burgh of barony under charter of James III. (1488); and created a police burgh in 1875 it is governed by a chief magistrate and 8 commissioners, including a town clerk and a treasurer. A substantial stone bridge was erected in 1883 over the Burn of Alyth, at a cost of nearly £900. In 1887 a very ancient sculptured stone was discovered embedded in the ground at the front door of the Established Church manse; while some of the houses, perched high up, and gained by steep winding lanes, may well have beheld the one marked episode in Alyth's history when in August 1651—Monk then besieging Dundee—the Committee of Estates, only 40 in number, assembled here, and were surprised by 500 troopers under Col. Aldrich, who shipped them all off to London, his captives including the elder Leslie, Earl of Leven, the Rev. Rt. Douglas, and the Rev. Jas. Sharpe, archbishop that was to be (Hill Burton's *Hist.*, vii. 43). Mainly, however, the town is modern, possessing a post office, with money order, telegraph, and savings bank departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland and the Royal Bank, 2 hotels, a public coffee house (1881), gasworks, new waterworks (1870), bowling and curling clubs, and a public library of 3000 volumes bequeathed by the late Hon. Wm. Ogilvy of Loyal. A baillie court, for civil causes not exceeding 40s., sits on the first Tuesday of every month; and fairs are held on the third Tuesday of May, the second Tuesday of June *o. s.*, the first Tuesday of August, the first Tuesday and Wednesday of November *o. s.*, the second Tuesday after 11 Nov. *o. s.*, and the fourth Monday of January, February, March, April, and December. The manufacture of brown and other linens is the staple industry, employing 2 mills, one of which, Smith & Son's (1873), to flax adds jute spinning, with bleaching, dyeing, and calendering; and there is also a woollen factory. The parish church (1290 sittings), a Norman structure with lofty spire, was erected in 1839 in place of the ancient Second Pointed church of St Moloc or Malachi; other places of worship are a Free church (1844; 750 sittings), a U.P. church (1781; 270 sittings), a Roman Catholic church (1879), and St Ninian's Episcopal church (1856; 150 sittings), this, too, in Norman style, with a stained wheel window (1880) to the memory of the late Sir Geo. Ramsay. Three schools at the town—public, Episcopalian, and Church of Scotland girls' industrial—and another at Gaudswell, 2½ miles to the NW, with respective accommodation for 311, 101, 282, and 48, had (1891) an average attendance of 313, 82, 196, and 27, and grants of £356, 18s., £72, 6s., £204, 15s. 6d., and £33, 17s. Pop. (1881), 2377, (1891) 2322.

The parish is bounded NE by Glenisla, E by Airlie and Ruthven, SE by Meigle, SW and W by Bendoche, Blairgowrie, Rattray, and Kirkmichael. From NNW to SSE its length is about 14 miles; its breadth varies from 1½ to 6 miles; and its area is 23,296 acres, of which 3324

(to the NW) were formerly in Forfarshire. The whole of the Forfarshire portion was, in 1891, by the Boundary Commissioners, transferred to the county of Perth. The ISLA traces 3 miles of the eastern, and, after traversing Ruthven, 4½ of the south-eastern border; and the Burn of Alyth, rising at 1200 feet of altitude in the Forest of Alyth, joins it at Inverquichee, having first run 9 miles south-eastward to just below the town, next 2½ miles east-north-eastward. The Black Water, too, a head-stream of the Erich, at two points flows along the western boundary, for 2½ and 1½ miles; and in the interior are 4 or 5 smaller burns. That portion of the parish between the Isla and the Burn of Alyth belongs to STRATHMORE; and here, in the furthest S, the surface sinks to 100 feet above sea-level, thence rising north-westward to 208 feet at Chapelhill, 398 near New Alyth, and 533 at Johnshill; N of the Burn of Alyth, to 535 feet near Bruecton, 668 on Barry Hill, 871 on Loyal Hill, 966 on the Hill of Alyth, and 1221 on Bamff or Balduff Hill. Beyond, comes the treeless Forest of Alyth, where the chief elevations—those marked with asterisks culminating on the north-eastern boundary—are Craighead (1083 feet), the Hill of Three Cairns (1243), Kingscait (1250), Drumger (1883), Runnaguman (1813), *Black Hill (1454), and *Knockton (1605); whilst further still, in the Forfarshire section, rise *Cairn Gibbs (1706), *Meal Mhor (1804), and Mount BLAIR (2441). The rocks are chiefly Devonian in the Strathmore low land, crystalline slates in the Forest of Alyth and the Blacklunans (a fertile strip along the Black Water), and trap on the hills, but include limestone at Mount Blair, and a well-defined dyke or vein of serpentine a little below Bamff House. The soils of the arable lands—barely one-fourth of the entire area—are in Strathmore a fine deep fertile loam, on the hill-slopes a good sharp gravel, in the Blacklunans a light but rich black loam, and elsewhere a strong detrital mixture of clay, gravel, and stones; plantations cover more than 1000 acres. One castle (styled the King's Castle in 1394) was at Inverquichee, and another at Corb in the Forest, where, too, are many cairns, stone circles, and standing stones; but Alyth's chief antiquity is an oval British fort on Barry Hill, which, 450 feet in circumference, was defended by a rude stone rampart, and to E and S by a deep fosse 10 feet wide, and, according to local tradition, was the prison of Wander, Vanora, or Guinevere, King Arthur's queen (Glennie's *Arthurian Localities*, 1869, p. 53). The Lindsays of the Crawford line were connected with this parish from 1303 to 1620; and the Ramsays have held the lands of Bamff since 1232. Their founder, Nessus de Ramsay, was physician to Alexander II., as to King James and Charles I. was his descendant Alexander Ramsay, whose son, Sir Gilbert, for gallantry in the battle of the Pentlands, was made a baronet in 1666. Mansions, with distance from the town, proprietors' names, and the extent and yearly value of their estates within the shire, are—Bamff House, 3½ miles NW (Sir Jas. Hy. Ramsay, b. 1832; suc. as tenth Bart. 1871; 12,845 acres, £3391); Loyal House, ½ mile NE (Professor G. G. Ramsay); Balhary House, 2 miles SE (G. W. A. Kinloch Smythe, 1865 acres, £935); Jordanstone House, 2 miles ESE (Col. J. K. Knight, 515 acres, £604); and Hallyards, 2½ miles ESE (Geo. D. C. Henderson, 396 acres, £649). In all, 7 landowners hold within Alyth an annual value of £600 and upwards, 14 of between £100 and £500, 12 of from £50 to £100, and 38 of from £20 to £50. Alyth is in the presbytery of Meigle and synod of Angus and Mearns; the living is worth £328. Valuation (1891) £20,467, 17s. 9d., including £1160, 10s. for the Forfarshire section. Pop. (1841) 2910, (1861) 3422, (1871) 3352, (1881) 3521, (1891) 3453; of *quoad sacra* parish (1871) 3151, (1881) 3372, (1891) 3275.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 56, 1870.

Amatan, a burn in Bower parish, Caithness, running eastward to Wester Water.

Amisfield, a village and a mansion in Tinwald parish, Dumfriesshire. The village stands on a head-stream of Lochar Water, near the Dumfries and Lockerbie branch of the Caledonian, under the Tinwald Hills, 4 miles NNE of Dumfries. It has a station on the railway, and

a post office under Dumfries. There is a public school, with accommodation for 146 children, and an average attendance in 1891 of 85, and a grant of £61, 16s. 6d. The mansion, standing $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of the village, is partly a modern edifice, partly an old baronial fortalice, one of the most interesting of its kind. It belonged from the 12th century to the Anglo-Norman family of Charteris, of whom Sir Thomas became Lord High Chancellor of Scotland in 1280; Sir John was Warden of the West Marches under James V., and by that king (as 'Gude-man of Ballengeich') was punished for wrong-doing to a widow; and another Sir John was an active Royalist during the Great Rebellion, as also was his brother Captain Alex. Charteris, beheaded at Edinburgh in 1650. An oak door, curiously carved with 'Samson and the lion,' and dated 1600, has found its way from Amisfield Castle to the Antiquarian Museum at Edinburgh.

Amisfield, a seat of the Earl of Wemyss, in the parish and county of Haddington, on the right bank of the Tyne, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile ENE of Haddington. It is a handsome Grecian edifice of red sandstone, faces the river, contains some fine paintings, and stands in the midst of an extensive park. It was built by the fifth Earl of Wemyss (1787-1808), heir of his maternal grandfather, the infamous Colonel Charteris (1675-1732), who had purchased the lands of Newmills, and changed their name to Amisfield from the ancient seat of his forefathers in Nithsdale. In *Lauder's Scottish Rivers*, p. 309, is a lively account of the Tyneside games instituted by Lord Elcho in Amisfield Park.

Amondell or Almondale, the seat of the Earl of Buchan, in Uphall parish, SE Linlithgowshire, stands on the left bank of the Almond, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Mid-caldar. From 1812 till his death here on 8 Oct. 1817, it was the residence of the Hon. Henry Erskine, Lord Advocate of Scotland in 1783 and 1806.

Amulree, a village in Dull parish, Perthshire, on the left bank of the Bran, 10 miles WSW of Dunkeld station. Its site was pronounced by Dr Buckland to have been fashioned by a group of low moraines; and the country around it presents an assemblage of wild, bare, rugged uplands, whose lochs and streams are favourite anglers' haunts. Here the clans were armed and sworn at the rising of 1715. The village has a post office under Dunkeld, a hotel, an Established Church, and a Free Church station. The Established Church in 1871 was constituted a *quoad sacra* parochial church; and was rebuilt in 1881 at a cost of £900. There are two public schools, at Amulree and Shian, with accommodation for 71 and 42 children, and an average attendance in 1891 of 24 and 8, and grants of £35 and £23, 1s. 6d. Fairs for cattle and sheep are held at the village on the first Wednesday of May and day before, and on the Friday before the first Wednesday of November.

Anabich, an island in Harris parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire.

Anacrum, a village and a parish of Roxburghshire. The village stands upon rising ground, on the right bank of the river Ale, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of its influx to the Teviot, being 2 miles W of Jedfoot Bridge station, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Jedburgh; it has a post, money order, and telegraph office. Its original name was Alneacrum, signifying 'the crook of the *Abe*,'—as the Ale was anciently called; and that name is exactly descriptive of the situation, on a bold sharp curve of the river. The surrounding scenery is softly picturesque; and the present village, though most of its buildings are modern, wears a somewhat decayed appearance, and dates from a considerable antiquity. A Caledonian fort stood near it; a monastic establishment of some kind was founded at it by David I.; faint vestiges exist of its so-called Maltan Walls, a preceptory of the Knights of Malta; and a 13th century cross, supposed to have been originally surmounted by the arms of Scotland, stands in the middle of its green. This village was long called Nether Anacrum, to distinguish it from the now extinct hamlet of Over Anacrum, and both were burned to the ground during the hostilities connected with Hertford's raid in 1545.

The parish contains also the hamlets of Longnewton and Belses, the latter with a station on the North British, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of the village, $4\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Edinburgh, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Hawick; and it includes the old parish of Longnewton, annexed in 1684. It is bounded NW by St Boswells, NE by Maxton, E by Crailing, SE by Jedburgh and Bedrule, SW by Minto, and W by Lilliesleaf and Bowden. Its length from N to S is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 10,389 acres, of which 93 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The ALE in 'many a loop and link,' flows through the parish from WNW to ESE; and the TEVIOT, to the length of some 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, roughly traces all the south-eastern border. Both rivers afford abundant sport to the angler for salmon and for trout, and also are haunted by otters. The surface, throughout the NW, in the quadram parish of Longnewton, is flat and tame; but elsewhere, along the Ale, and southward to the Teviot, though containing no prominent hills, rises into considerable eminences, the chief of which from N to S are Anacrum Moor (771 feet), Woodhead (501), Hopton (531), Anacrumraig (629), Tronehill (755), and Chesters Moor (585). The tract along the Ale, in particular, exhibits steep rugged rocks, part naked, part richly wooded, overhanging the river's course, and shows a succession of picturesque and romantic scenery. Sandstone, of two colours, the one red, the other white, and both of superior quality for building purposes, is quarried. The soil, in the lower grounds toward the Teviot, is chiefly a fertile loam; on the flat grounds, both in the north and near the Ale, is a rich though stiffish clay; and on the higher grounds and the northern declivities, is of moorish quality on a cold clay bottom. About 7500 acres are under cultivation, and upwards of 800 are in wood. Anacrum House (Sir William Scott, seventh Bart. since 1671, and owner of 2131 acres in the shire) stands near the site of the ancient village of Over Anacrum, and of a rural palace of the Bishop of Glasgow, and was a fine old Border mansion, commanding a noble view of Teviotdale away to the Cheviot Mountains, and surrounded by an extensive deer-park, with craggy knolls and grand old trees. Its central and older portion, built in 1558 by Robert Kerr of Fernieherst, was, with later additions, totally destroyed by fire on 3 Dec. 1873, the damage being estimated at £35,000. The mansion has been since rebuilt in Scottish Baronial style. Chesters House, situated on the Teviot, is a large handsome edifice, erected about the beginning of this century; and Kirklands, on a wooded height above the Ale, is a modern Elizabethan structure. Fifteen caves occur along the rocky banks of the Ale above Anacrum House, all at the least accessible spots, artificially hewn, provided with fire-places, and thought to have served for hiding-places during the Border raids. One of them was a favourite retreat of the author of *The Seasons*, who was a frequent inmate of Anacrum Manse, and is known as 'Thomson's Cave,' his name being carved on its roof, it is said, by his own hand. Remains of a Caledonian stone circle existed within this century at Harestanes, near Mounteviot, but all its stones save one have been removed; and a Roman road skirts Anacrum Moor, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of the village, which moor was the scene of one of the last great conflicts in the international war between Scotland and England. An English army, 5000 strong, under Sir Ralph Evers and Sir Bryan Latoun, in 1544, overran and wasted the Scottish Border northward to Melrose. Returning with their booty, they were overtaken at Anacrum Moor and utterly routed by a Scottish force under the Earl of Angus and Scott of Buccleuch. Lilliard, a maid of Teviotdale, made desperate by the loss of her lover, fought in the Scottish ranks till she fell beneath many wounds; and she has bequeathed to part of the battlefield the name of Lilliard's Edge. A monument, now broken and defaced, stands on the spot, and bore this legend,—

'Fair Maiden Lilliard lies under this stane;
Little was her stature, but great was her fame;
Upon the English icons she laid many thumps,
And when her legs were cutt off, she fought upon her stumps.'

Anacrum was the birthplace of Dr William Buchan

(1729-1805), a medical writer; perhaps, too, of the Rev. John Home (1722-1808), the author of *Douglas*, this honour being also claimed for Leith. Among its ministers was the Rev. John Livingston (1693-72), one of the commissioners sent to confer with Charles II. at Breda in 1650. Seven landowners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, 5 of from £50 to £100, and 8 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Jedburgh and synod of Merse and Teviotdale, this parish has an Established church, built in 1890 at a cost of £2000; the minister's income is £306. There is also a Free church; and at Ancrum and Sandystones are public schools, which, with respective accommodation for 195 and 94 children, had an average attendance (1891) of 133 and 80, and grants of £128, 4s. 6d. and £66, 19s. 6d. Valuation of lands, £14,162, 15s. 4d.; of railway, £1601. Pop. (1861) 1511, (1871) 1391, (1881) 1365, (1891) 1241.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 17, 24, 1864-65.

Anderston, a district in the W of Glasgow. It was formerly a distinct burgh, having been constituted a burgh of barony by Crown charter in 1824; and had a town council consisting of a provost, 3 bailies, a treasurer, and 11 councillors, elected by proprietors for lifeterms of heritable subjects and by tenants paying £20 or upwards of annual rent. Its boundaries were, on the E M'Alpine Street, on the N the spacious streets of the west-end, which impacted somewhat irregularly on it, on the W Finnieston, and on the S the river. It comprised a main street, leading from Argyle Street in a north-westerly direction to Partick, a number of narrow old streets very densely peopled, and some newer or more airy ones, mostly running parallel to one another to the Clyde. It was annexed to Glasgow in 1846, since which time it has been completely absorbed in the city, whose western boundary extends far beyond the limits of the old burgh of Anderston. Two old graveyards in the district, one in North Street and the other in Cheap-side Street, are now closed for burying purposes, but are maintained as open spaces. Of the old institutions of Anderston, one of the few remaining is the Weavers' Society, a charitable institution which still goes on increasing in its membership and in its usefulness. In common with other districts in Glasgow, great improvement has taken place in this portion. Anderston Walk has been completely merged in Argyle Street. Main Street has been raised to a level with Argyle Street and Dumbarton Road, and the old houses on either side have almost entirely given place to splendid rows of fine shops and dwelling-houses. Stobcross Street, formerly tortuous and narrow, has become a fine wide thoroughfare, communicating directly with the Queen's Dock. Anderston Cross has been opened up, and a railway station is placed here in connection with the central underground line of the Caledonian system. The manufacturing industries have fully kept pace with the general progress of the city, the foundries, engineering shops, factories of different kinds, general provision and hancuring establishments, and bakeries, being all on the largest and most extensive scale, rivaling in appliances and extent those of any other city in the United Kingdom. Numerous warehouses and stores—bonded and free—line the streets adjoining the river. St Matthew's, St Marks, and Anderston parish churches are in the district. Of four Free churches, St Marks, Anderston, St Matthew's, and Finnieston, the last three have been removed from the district further west. There are a United Presbyterian church, an Episcopal, a Roman Catholic, and others. There are also two or three large Board schools in the district. Anderston gives name to one of the registration districts of the city, which had a population in 1891 of 42,263.

Andet, an ancient chapelry in Methlick parish, Aberdeenshire, 1½ mile SSW of Methlick village. Its church of St Ninian has disappeared; but is commemorated in the names of a farmhouse and a spring, called Chapel-Park and Chapel-Well.

Andhu. See LOCHANDHU.

Andunty, a lake in Petty parish, Inverness-shire, on the ridge toward Croy.

Angel's Hill (Gael. *Cnoc nan Angeal*), a hillock, crowned by a small stone circle and cairn, in the island of Iona, Argyllshire, 1¼ mile WSW of the cathedral. It is said by legend to have been the scene of a conference between Columba and angels.

Angry or Lennoc Burn, a rivulet in the uplands of Elginshire, traversing Glen Latterach, along the boundary between Birnie and Dallas parishes, 4 miles northward to the Lossie. It is voluminous and very impetuous after rains; it makes, about 2 miles below its source, a sheer descent of 50 feet into a basin called the Kettle; and a little further down it makes another fall into a basin called the Pot. Lofty cliffs screen these falls, and want only woods to render their scenery very grand.

Angus, an ancient district nearly or quite coterminous with FORFARSHIRE. Some archaeologists think that it got its name from Angus, a brother of Kenneth II., and recipient of title to proprietorship of the district, or to lordship over it, immediately after the conquest of the Picts; but others think that a hill a little to the eastward of Aberlemno church bore the name of Angus long previous to Kenneth II.'s time; had been a noted place of rendezvous on great public occasions; and gradually or eventually gave its name to the surrounding country. A finely diversified strath or valley, from 4 to 6 miles broad, and upwards of 30 miles long, extending from the western boundary of Kettins parish to the mouth of the North Esk river, is called the Howe or Hollow of Angus. An earldom of Angus was created in favour of the Douglas family, some time prior to 1329; came in that year into the line of the Dukes of Hamilton; and ranks now as the oldest one of the present duke's numerous peerages.

Angus and Mearns, a synod of the Church of Scotland, meeting on the fourth Tuesday of April and October, and comprising the presbyteries of Meigle, Forfar, Dundee, Brechin, Arbroath, and Fordoun. Within the bounds of this synod there were 64,177 communicants of the Church of Scotland in 1891, the sums raised by them that year in Christian liberality amounting to £27,939.—The Free Church has also a synod of Angus and Mearns, meeting on the same days as, and comprising presbyteries identical with, those of the Established synod. Its communicants numbered 28,189 in 1891.

Ann, a burn in Galston parish, Ayrshire, running to Irvine Water at Galston town. Its channel contains the beautiful stone called Galston pebble.

Annan (Gael. 'quiet river'), a river that, flowing all through central Dumfriesshire from N to S, gives it the name of ANNANDALE. It rises 1200 feet above the sea, near the meeting-point of Lanark, Peebles, and Dumfriesshires, within 1¼ mile of Tweed's Well, and 3½ miles of Clyde's Burn, so that according to an old-world rhyme—

'Annan, Tweed, and Clyde,
Rise a' ont o' ae hill-side.'

Its virtual headstreams, however, are the Lochan and Auchencat Burns, which also rise in Moffat parish, on the western and southern slopes of Hartfell (2651 feet), and after receiving which the Annan becomes a stream of considerable volume, inclining a little eastward, and forming the boundary between Kirkpatrick Juxta and Moffat. Passing Moffat town, it is joined from the NE by Birmock Water, which rises on Swatte Fell (2388 feet), and by the Frenchland Burn; a little lower down it receives at the same point, from the NW and the NE, EVAN and MOFFAT Waters. The next important tributary is WAMPFRAY Water, soon after whose confluence the Annan becomes exceedingly meandering, though still bearing southward to within 1 mile of Lochmaben and 2 of Lockerbie, and thereabouts receiving the KINNEL and the DRYFE. From the southern extremity of Dryfesdale parish it makes a south-eastward bend past St Mungo's Church, the rocking-stone, and Hoddum Castle, receiving here the Water of MILK; but from the confluence of the MEIN onward it resumes a southerly course to Annan town, whence its estuary sweeps first in a SW, then in a SE direction into the upper part of the Solway Firth at Barnkirk Point. The Annan is 49 miles long, of which the first 5 lie through a mountain glen, with the

singular hollow of ANNANDALE'S BEEF-STAND. Its basin thence is a valley from 3 to 18 miles wide, which, at no distant geological period, must have lain under the sea, and now with a rich alluvial soil presents a soft and pastoral appearance. Its waters are well stocked with salmon, trout, and coarser fish, the trout running from 1 to 1½ lb., but sometimes exceeding 4 and even 5 lbs.; and sea-trout ascend in May and June. The rod season is from Feb. 11 to Oct. 31; and permission to fish is generally granted by the 15 proprietors who own the best part of the stream—"the silver Annan," as Allan Cunningham styled it, but, in time of spate, 'a drumlie river,' according to the ballad (*Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border*, vol. iii., p. 284 of Cadell's ed.).

Annan, a royal and parliamentary burgh of S Dumfriesshire, on the E bank and 2 miles above the mouth of the Annan, which here is spanned by a three-arched bridge, rebuilt in 1824 at a cost of £8000, and by a viaduct of the Glasgow and South-Western railway (1848). It has stations on this and on the Solway Junction section of the Caledonian, by the former being 8 miles W of S of Gretna Green, 17½ NW of Carlisle, 15½ ESE of Dumfries, and 73½ SE of Kilmarnock; by the latter, 2½ miles NNW of Bowness, 5½ SSW of Kirtlebridge Junction, 89½ S by W of Edinburgh, and 93½ SSE of Glasgow. 'The country round is flat upon the whole, but near the town are two or three heights, one of which, dignified as "Annan Hill," commands a magnificent view of Annandale, the Solway, and the Cumberland Mountains. Northward, are seen the little red town, lying amid green trees, the gleaming river, and numberless small dark woods and bare monotonous hills; southward, the sandy shore of the Firth, the Solway Viaduct, the sunlit sea, the grey hills of Kirkcudbrightshire, the long English coast, the picturesque windmill of Bowness, and the great Lake mountains, with Skiddaw, in what Wordsworth calls his "natural sovereignty," towering above the rest' ('Annan and its neighbourhood,' by F. Miller, in the *Border Magazine*). The town itself made Dorothy Wordsworth 'think of France and Germany, many of the houses large and gloomy, their size outrunning their comforts'; but of late years it has been much improved by new streets and buildings. There is a plentiful supply of water. The new waterworks were opened 21st July, 1881, and cost about £12,000. The reservoir, 7½ miles from Annan, holds 27,000,000 gallons, and 150,000 gallons per day may be passed. Annan has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland, the British Linen Co., and the Commercial Bank, a local savings' bank (1835), insurance offices, a gas company, several hotels, a coffee-house with reading and recreation rooms (1879), a mechanics' institute, stock auction marts, and a Friday paper, the *Annan Observer* (1857). The town-hall was re-built (1876-77) in the Scottish Baronial style, at a cost of £4000, and, besides burgh offices, contains a large court and council hall, where sheriff courts sit thrice a year, and justice of peace small debt courts on the first Monday of every month. Friday is market-day, and hiring fairs are held on the first Friday of May and August and the third Friday of October. At or near the town are a cotton mill (1785), a manure factory, a tannery, a distillery, 5 bacon-curing establishments, 2 ropewalks, and 2 saw mills; and a considerable trade is done with Liverpool and Whitehaven in the export of grain, wool, bacon, and live-stock, and the import of coal, slate, iron, herrings, salt, etc. The port is free, and ships of 250 tons can ascend to within ¼ mile of the town, but larger vessels must load and discharge at two wooden jetties, 420 feet long, at the mouth of the river. Vessels generally make the passage between Annan and Liverpool within 12 hours—that is, in one tide only, from

harbour to harbour. The convenience afforded by the rapidity of communication with Liverpool has greatly increased the trade. Just outside the town are the nurseries of Messrs. Palmer & Son, of world-wide reputation, and covering more than 120 acres. There are the parish church, a Free church, a U.P. church, a Congregational church, a 'Church of Christ,' St John's Episcopal church, and St Columba's Roman Catholic church. The Academy is an excellent higher-class school, at whose predecessor Thomas Carlyle led 'a doleful and hateful life' under Old Adam Hope, and later was mathematical master. Distinguished Annanites were the blind poet Thomas Blacklock (1721-91), Hugh Clapperton (1788-1827), the African explorer, and Edward Irving (1792-1834), the founder of a new sect, to whose memory a statue has been erected in front of the town-hall. A place of indefinite antiquity, Annan, say some authorities, was a Roman station, and in 1249 possessed a royal mint. Its closeness to the Border exposed it to frequent assaults, and in 1298 it was burned by the English; Robert Bruce two years later built or restored the Castle, on what is now the old churchyard, and this he made his occasional residence. Hither Edward Baliol, in December 1332, within three months of his coronation at Scone, summoned the nobles to do him homage; and here Archibald Douglas, at the head of 3000 horsemen, surprised him by night, slew Henry, his brother, with many lesser adherents, and drove him to flee on a bare-backed steed, half-naked, to Carlisle. In 1547, after a valiant resistance, the town was taken by Lord Wharton, who sacked and burned it; it suffered so grievously from the English raids of the two next years, that the sum of £4000 was levied from the bishops and the clergy to repair and strengthen its defences, and, 6000 French auxiliaries landing soon after in the Clyde, the greater part of them were sent to form its garrison. The castle, once more demolished in 1570 by the Earl of Sussex, was once more rebuilt; but in 1609 the townfolk, too poor to build a church themselves, by leave of Parliament either converted it into a place of worship or used its stones to build one, and no trace of it now is left, the last having disappeared in 1875 along with the old town-hall. The Great Rebellion brought Annan to a miserable plight, from which it was rescued soon after the Restoration by the privilege of collecting customs; at Annan the retreating army of Prince Charles Edward bivouacked, 20 Dec. 1745. Under a charter of James VI. (1612), renewing one granted by James V. (1538), the burgh is governed by a provost, 3 bailies, and 15 councillors, with a dean of guild, a treasurer, and a town clerk. It unites with DUMFRIES, Kirkcudbright, Lochmaben, and Saugubar in returning one member to Parliament, its parliamentary and municipal constituency numbering 520 in 1891, when the corporation revenue amounted to £386, and the annual value of real property within the burgh to £13,856 (exclusive of railways, £808). Its boundaries were extended in 1892. Pop. of municipal burgh (1871) 4174, (1881) 4629, (1891) 4560; of parliamentary burgh (1871) 3172, (1881) 3566, (1891) 3478.

The parish of Annan also contains the villages of BRIDEKIRK and Creca, 3 miles N by W and 4½ NE of the town. Bounded N by Hoddon and Middlebie, E by Kirkpatrick-Fleming and Dornock, S by the Solway Firth, and W by Cummertrees, it has a length from N to S of from 2½ to 5½ miles, a width from E to W of from 2½ to 4½ miles, and an area of 12,047½ acres, of which 994½ are foreshore and 137½ water. The KITTLE traces for ¾ mile the boundary with Kirkpatrick-Fleming, and the ANNAN flows 3½ miles on the Hoddon border, and 4½ through the interior to the Firth, which here was crossed by the open iron Solway Viaduct (1866-69). 'Was, since that 'triumph of engineering art' suffered such damages from masses of floating ice on 31 Jan. 1881, as to need almost entire reconstruction. With banks from the English and Scottish shores, 440 and 154 yards long, it had itself a length of 1960 yards, divided into 10 yard spans, ran 34 feet above the Solway's bed, and with the embankments cost £100,000. The shore of the Firth—3½ miles in Annan parish—is low and sandy; and inland the surface is com-



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paratively level, at Woodcock Air in the NW and Hill-town towards the NE but little exceeding 400 feet of altitude, whilst lesser elevations are Hillside (100 feet), Whitesprings (223), Creca (356), Bonshawside (323), and Mossfoot (305). The rocks, belonging to the Carboniferous formation, yield plenty of good sandstone, but not any workable coal; the soils are exceedingly various, including rich alluvium, strong argillaceous and fine friable loam, reclaimed moss, and barren moor, but most of the area is under cultivation. Mansions, with distance from the town, proprietors' names, and the extent and yearly value of their estates within the shire, are:—Mount Annan, 2 miles N. (Mrs Pasley Dirom, 1502 acres, £1480); Newbie, 2 miles SW (W. D. Mackenzie, 2929 acres, £5263); Ashly Grange, 1 mile (Mrs Halbert, 356 acres, £1079); Fruidspark, in the neighbourhood of the town; Northfield, 1 mile N; and Warmanbie, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N. In all, 7 proprietors hold within Annan a yearly value of £500 and upwards, 34 of between £100 and £500, 57 of from £50 to £100, and 84 of from £20 to £50. The seat of a presbytery in the synod of Dumfries, Annan is divided between the parish of Annan (living £336) and the *quoad sacra* parishes of Bridekirk, Greenknowe, and Kirtle. Five public schools are the Academy, the infant and girls' school, Breconbeads, Greenknowe, and Bridekirk, the last under a separate school-board, and a Roman Catholicschool (St Columba's) for 159 children, with an average attendance of 46 and a grant of £32, 19s. With respective accommodation for 291, 267, 165, 228, and 169 children, these had in 1891 an average attendance of 177, 253, 120, 185, and 111, and grants of £168, 4s. 6d., £221, 7s. 6d., £100, 5s., £153, 16s. 6d., and £88, 17s. 4d. A new Board school was erected in 1892, at an expense of about £6000, with accommodation for 723 pupils. Pop. of parish (1881) 6791, (1891) 5941.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 6, 10, 1863-64.

The presbytery of Annan comprehends the parishes of Annan, Cummertrees, Dornock, Greta, Hoddam, Kirkpatrick-Fleming, Middlebie, and Ruthwell, the *quoad sacra* parishes of Bridekirk, Greenknowe, and Kirtle. Pop. (1891) 14,463, of whom 2483 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, the sums raised by these congregations amounting to £1148.

Annandale, the middle one of the three divisions of Dumfriesshire. It is bounded N by Lanarkshire and Peebleshire, NE by Selkirkshire, E by Eskdale, S by the Solway Firth, W by Nithsdale, and NW by Lanarkshire. Regarded now as commensurate with the basin of the river Annan, together with small adjacent portions of seaboard, it anciently included parts of what now are the southern extremities of Eskdale and Nithsdale. Under the name of 'Estra-hanant,' it was given by David I., in 1124, to Robert de Bruis, grandson of one of William the Conqueror's Norman barons. This Robert, eventually disagreeing with David on a question of national policy, in 1138 renounced his allegiance to the king; in 1141 he died at Guisburn, or Guisborough, in Yorkshire, leaving his patrimony there to his elder son. His younger son, also called Robert Bruce, adhered to David I., received the inheritance of Annandale, and lived through the reign of Malcolm IV. into that of William the Lion. His son, another Robert, succeeded him in Annandale, married a natural daughter of William the Lion, and died in 1191. Robert, fourth Lord of Annandale, laid the foundation of the royal house of Bruce by marrying Isabella, second daughter of David, Earl of Huntingdon, and brother of William the Lion. His son and namesake opposed the Comyn influence in the affairs of Scotland, and, at the age of 81, engaged in the competition for the Scottish crown, but ultimately resigned his rights in favour of his son. That son, still Robert, went in 1269 to Palestine with Edward of England; married, soon after his return, Margaret, Countess of Carrick in her own right; came thence to be known as Earl of Carrick; and had, by his lady, five sons, the eldest of whom became the royal Bruce. Annandale, throughout the time of the Bruces, and specially under King Robert, figured conspicuously in Scottish history. **LOCHMABEN** was the chief seat of the family; and it

abounds to the present day in memorials or traditions of their princely grandeur. All Annandale, indeed, is rich in relics and memories of the Roman times, of the great struggle for the Scottish crown, and of Border wars and forays. Its Roman antiquities and mediæval castles outnumber those of any other district of equal extent in Scotland. The lordship of Annandale passed, about 1371, on the demise of David II., to Randolph, Earl of Moray; and afterwards, with the hand of his sister Agnes, went to the Dunbars, Earls of March. The Douglases got it after the forfeiture of the Dunbars; and they eventually lost it by their own forfeiture. A marquise of Annandale was conferred in 1701 on the Johnstones, who previously had been created Barons Johnstone of Lochwood (1633), and Earls of Annandale and Viscounts of Annan (1643). The marquise became dormant in 1792, at the death of George, third marquis, and is now claimed by Sir Frederick John William Johnstone of Westerhall, Bart., John James Hope-Johnstone, Esq. of Annandale, and three others. The famous Ben Jonson was really not a Jonson but a Johnstone, a descendant of the Annandale Johnstones. Annandale gives name to a presbytery of the U.P. Church, with thirteen charges.

Annandale's Beef-Stand, Marquis of, or Devil's Beef-Tub, a strange conchoidal hollow in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire, 5 miles NNW of Moffat town. It lies near the source of Annan Water, just off the pass of Erickstone Brae from Annandale into Tweeddale, and to the N is overhung by Great Hill, 1527 feet high. 'It received its name,' says the Laird of Summertrees in Scott's *Redgauntlet*, 'because the Annandale loons used to put their stolen cattle in there; and it looks as if four hills were laying their heads together to shut out daylight from the dark, hollow space between them. A deep, black, blackguard-looking abyss of a hole it is, and goes straight down from the roadside, as perpendicular as it can do, to be a heathery brae. At the bottom there is a small bit of a brook, that you would think could hardly find its way out from the hills that are so closely jammed around it.' At the bottom also is a martyred Covenanter's grave; and its second alias, 'Mac-Cleran's Loup,' records the escape of a Highland rebel in the '45, who, wrapped in his plaid, rolled like a hedgehog down the steep declivity amid a shower of musket-balls—an incident Scott used in his romance (*Lauder's Scottish Rivers*).

Annat, a davech in Kiltarlity parish, Inverness-shire, on the N side of the river Beaully.

Annaty, a burn in Scone parish, Perthshire, running westward to the Tay. It affords several good waterfalls for the driving of machinery.

Annanbank, a mining village in the SW of Tarbolton parish, Ayrshire, with a station on the Ayr and Muirkirk line, 5 miles ENE of Ayr. It has a post office with money order and savings' bank departments under Tarbolton Station, a chapel of ease to Tarbolton erected in 1871, and a school which in 1891 had an average attendance of 370 day and 75 evening scholars, and received grants of £323, 15s. and £36, 14s. Pop. (1871) 1151, (1881) 1240, (1891) 1284.

Annet, a burn in Kilmadock parish, S Perthshire, formed by two rivulets that rise in the Braes of Doune, on the southern slope of Uamh Bheag (2179 feet). Including the longer of these, it has a SSE course of 6½ miles, making a number of beautiful cascades, and falling into the Teith, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of Doune.

Annick, a small river, partly of Renfrewshire, but chiefly of Ayrshire, rises in Mearns parish, to the E of Long Loch, and flowing south-westward past Stewarton, falls into Irvine Water, 1 mile above Irvine town, after a course of 16 miles. Its chief affluents are the Swinsey, East, and Clerkland burns above, and the Glazert burn, 3 miles below, Stewarton—all of them better trouting streams than the Annick itself.

Anns Bridge, a picturesque locality in Johnstone parish, Dumfriesshire, on the river Kinnel, $\frac{7}{8}$ miles N by W of Lochmaben. A bridge here, on the line of road from Dumfries to Edinburgh, was built in 1782, rebuilt

in 1795, and widened and improved in 1817. A reach of the Kinnel's vale, above and below the bridge, is exquisitely beautiful; and the splendid mansion of Rae-hills, with its fine gardens and grounds, is close by.

Anstruther, a fishing and seaport town of SE Fife, comprising the royal and parliamentary burghs of Anstruther-Easter and Anstruther-Wester, and contiguous eastwards to the royal burgh of CELLARDYKE or Nether Kilrenny. Situated at the entrance of the Firth of Forth, it stretches along its shore about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, and by water is $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of the Isle of MAY, $11\frac{1}{2}$ N of North Berwick, and 25 NE of Leith, while, as a station on the Leven and East of Fife section of the North British system, it is $18\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Thornton Junction, and 50 NE of Edinburgh, *via* Forth Bridge. By road, again, it is $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of St Andrews, whither a railway was constructed in 1881, at a cost of £38,000, which is 16 miles long, with five intermediate stations, at Craik, Kingsbarns, Dunino, etc., and is worked by the North British. Anstruther has a post office with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the Clydesdale, Commercial, and National banks, a gaswork, hotels, a custom house, a town-hall (1871; accommodation 800), a masonic lodge, several insurance offices, a library and reading room, a life-boat station, and a fishery office. Friday is market-day; and industrial establishments are rope and sail, net, oil, and oilskin and fishing-gear factories, and a brewery. A bridge (1831) over the Dreel Burn joins Anstruther-Wester to



Seal of Anstruther-Easter.

where are Free, U.P., Baptist, and Evangelical Union churches, besides the parish church (1634-44; 750 sittings), whose picturesque tower has a low spire and gabled stair-turret;

the manse is another quaint old building, erected in 1590 by James, a nephew of the more celebrated Andrew Melville. The chief educational establishment is the Waid Academy, which was opened Sept. 6, 1886. It was endowed from funds mainly mortgaged by Andrew Waid, lieutenant in the Royal Navy, a native of Anstruther-Easter, who died in 1803, and meant to provide for the maintenance and education of orphan and seamen's boys. The funds

being inadequate, and as an hospital at Anstruther for the purpose contemplated by him would now be of comparatively little value, on account of the changed conditions of naval warfare, the scheme of the Waid Academy was promoted by the trustees and the School Board, and finally approved of by the Queen in Council in 1884. Anstruther-Wester has its own parish church, consecrated in 1243; a lidless stone coffin in its churchyard is wrongly imagined to be St Adrian's. On 10 June 1559, Knox marched here with a 'rascal multitude' (the phrase is his own), and preached his 'idolatrous sermon,' with the usual outcome of pillage and demolition: 'several alive well remember the rows of fine arches left standing in this church, which now is a tasteless erection within and without' (Gordon's *Scottish Chronicle*, p. 307). A Spanish war-ship, one of the scattered Armada, put in at the harbour in 1588; in 1645 many of the townfolk, zealous Covenanters, fell at the battle of Kilsyth; and the town itself, in 1651,

was plundered by the English. Great inundations (1670-90) did grievous damage, the first destroying the harbour, and the second a third of the houses; the Union, too, gave a serious shock to commerce, which, till then carried on by 24 home vessels, employed but 2 in 1764. Three natives and contemporaries were the great Dr Thomas Chalmers (1780-1847), a minor poet, Captain Charles Gray, R.N. (1782-1851), and William Tennant (1784-1848), author of *Anster Fair*, whose heroine 'Maggie Lauder' lived, it is said, on Anstruther East Green.

A head port from 1710 to 1827, since then a creek or sub-port of Kirkcaldy, Anstruther possesses a harbour of its own, enclosed by two piers; but, this being found too small, the Union Harbour was commenced at Cellardyke in 1866. With a western breakwater and eastern pier, both built of concrete, and the latter 1200 yards long, it has an area of 7 acres, and, owing to frequent interruptions from storms, was only completed in 1877, at a total cost of over £80,000. Anstruther is head of all the fishery district between Leith and Montrose, and fish-curing is the staple trade. Anstruther-Easter was made a royal burgh in 1583, and Anstruther-Wester in 1587, but the latter lost its municipal status in 1852, not to regain it till 1869. The former is governed by a provost, two bailies, a treasurer, and nine councillors; Anstruther-Wester by a chief magistrate, one bailie, a treasurer, and nine councillors. With ST ANDREWS, Craik, Cupar, Kilrenny, and Pittenweem, they return one member to parliament. Pop. of Anstruther-Easter (1891) 1134; of Anstruther-Wester, 538.

The parish of Anstruther-Easter, coterminous with its burgh, has an area of only $5\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land and $15\frac{1}{2}$ of foreshore. The boundaries of the parishes of Anstruther-Wester and Pittenweem, previously badly defined, were re-adjusted in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners. The new boundary follows the parliamentary boundary between the burghs of Anstruther-Wester and Pittenweem from the north boundary of Pittenweem parish down to the Pittenweem and Anstruther road. It then strikes east from the parliamentary boundary, running along the centre of this road to its junction with the Chain Road, down which it runs to the sea. All to the west of this new boundary is now in the parish of Pittenweem, and all to the east in the parish of Anstruther-Wester. In the presbytery of St Andrews and synod of Fife, Anstruther-Wester is a living worth £206, and Anstruther-Easter £240. The former has one public school, the latter two, E and W; and these three, with respective accommodation for 141, 228, and 104 children, had in 1891 an average attendance of 78, 127, and 89, and grants of £67, ss. 6d., £140, 10s. 6d., and £77, 17s. 6d. Pop. of its entire parish (1801) 296, (1831) 430, (1861) 421, (1871) 545, (1881) 673, (1891) 593.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 41, 1857.

Antermoney House, a mansion in Campsie parish, S Stirlingshire, near Milton station, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Lennoxton. Here was born and here died John Bell of Antermoney (1691-1780), well known by his *Travels from St Petersburg to various parts in Asia* (2 vols., Glasgow, 1763). Antermoney Loch is a sheet of water measuring $3\frac{1}{2}$ by 2 furlongs.

Antoninus' Wall, a Roman rampart extending from Carriden on the Firth of Forth to Chapel-Hill, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below Old Kilpatrick village on the Clyde. Agricola in 81, having two years earlier passed the shores of the Solway Firth, overran the country thence to the Forth and the Clyde, and raised a line of forts along the tract from Carriden to Chapel-Hill. Lollius Urbicus, in 139, the year after Antoninus Pius assumed the purple, was deputed as proprætor of Britain, to quell a general revolt. Marching northward to the Forth and the Clyde, he subdued the hostile tribes, and, both to repel any further attacks which might be made from the north, and to hold in subjugation the country to the south, constructed a great new work on the line of Agricola's forts. This new work was the rampart afterwards known as Antoninus' Wall. It measured 39,726 Roman paces, or nearly $36\frac{1}{2}$ English statute miles, in length; it consisted of

earth on a foundation of stone, and was 24 feet thick and 20 high; it had 3 forts at each end, and 15 intermediate forts at 2-mile intervals; it was defended, along all the N side, by a fosse 20 feet deep and 40 wide; and it had, along the S side, for ready communication from fort to fort, a paved military road. Very few and slight traces of it now exist; but many memorials of it, in the form of tablets and other sculptured stones, have been dug up, and are preserved in museums; and both vestiges and relics of it will be noticed in our articles on Carriden, Falkirk, Kirkintilloch, Chapel-Hill, etc. The popular name of the rampart, or rather of its remains, came to be Grime's or Graham's Dyke—a name that has greatly perplexed archaeologists and philologists. It was long fancied, from a fiction of Fordoun, Boece, and Buchanan, to point to an ancient Scottish prince of the name of Grime, who, with a body of troops, broke through the wall somewhere between Camelon and Castlecary; and it has been hesitatingly derived from either a Gaelic word for 'black' or a Welsh word signifying 'strength.' See—besides Gordon's *Itinerarium Septentrionale*, Roy's *Military Antiquities*, and Stuart's *Caledonia Romana*—vol. i., pp. 31-36 of Hill Burton's *History of Scotland* (ed. 1876); vol. i., pp. 76-79 of Skene's *Celtic Scotland* (1876); and Waldie's *Walks along the Northern Roman Wall* (Linlith. 1857).

Antonshill, an estate, with a mansion, in Eccles parish, Berwickshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Coldstream.

Anwoth, a coast parish of SW Kirkcudbrightshire, with the Fleet Street suburb of its post-town GATEHOUSE in the E, and Dromore station in the N, on the Portpatrick branch of the Caledonian, 39 miles WSW of Dumfries. It is bounded W and N by Kirkmabreck, E by Girthon, SE by Fleet Bay, and S by Wigtown Bay; its length from N to S is $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 12,861 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 1036 $\frac{3}{4}$ are foreshore and 33 $\frac{1}{2}$ water. The whole of the eastern border is traced by the river FLEET; and Skyreburn, rising upon Meikle Bannan, follows the upper portion of the western border till, joined by Cauldside Burn, it strikes south-south-eastward through the interior, and, traversing a lovely wooded glen, enters Fleet Bay after a course of 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Its sudden and violent freshets have given rise to the local proverb of 'a Skyreburn warning,' of which 'Scarborough warning' in Harington's *Ariosto* (1591) is thought to be a corruption. The seaboard, though generally rocky, is low except at Kirkclaugh in the W, where a steep and rocky promontory rises to over 100 feet; and inland, too, the highest points are near or upon the western border, viz., from N to S Meikle Bannan (1100 feet), Stey Fell (1000), Cairnharrow (1497), Ben John (1150), and Barholm Hill (1163), eastward of which rise Kenlum Hill (900), Ardwall Hill (600), and Trusty's Hill (225). Underlying a fertile rock-soil, the formation is chiefly Silurian; a vein of lead, extending across the parish, and including small quantities of zinc and copper, was formerly worked on the estate of Rusco. Only about one-third of the entire surface is arable, much of the land along and to some distance from the Fleet being under wood; at Ardwall still stands the splendid beech that in 1800 was saved from the woodman by Campbell's *Beech Tree's Petition*. Behind Ornocknoch is a rocking-stone, 1 ton in weight; and prehistoric antiquities are two cairns and 'Druidical' circles, a vitrified fort and a broad flat stone inscribed with so-called Runic characters on Trusty's Hill, the Moat of Kirkclaugh, and near it a thin, flat obelisk, 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet high, with a rude cross carved upon either side. Rusco Castle, a seat of the Gordons of Lochinvar, is a square tower, crowning a knoll in the Vale of Fleet, 3 miles NNW of Gatehouse, and habitable, though dating from the 15th century. Cardoness Castle, also upon the Fleet, 1 mile SSW of Gatehouse, is a similar but roofless tower, last tenanted by Sir Godfrey M'Culloch, who in 1697 was beheaded at Edinburgh for the murder of William Gordon at Bush o' Biold (Chambers' *Domestic Annals*, ii. 321, 322, and iii. 174-176). The latter, another baronial mansion (demolished in 1827), was long the residence of Samuel Rutherford (1600-61), the eminent

Covenanting minister of Anwoth, who was visited here by Archbishop Usher, and two of whose 'Witnesses' are standing yet—the three large stones that he reared as a protest against Sabbath football playing. His church (1626) is an ivy-clad ruin, with a stone in its graveyard to John Bell of Whyteside, 'barbarously shot to death on Kirkconnel Moor for adherence to the Covenanters' in 1685; and to Rutherford's own memory was erected in 1842 upon a hill on Boreland farm a granite obelisk, 56 feet high, which, struck by lightning in 1847, was rebuilt in 1851. Ardwall, Cardoness House (Sir Wm. F. Maxwell, fourth Bart.), and Kirkclaugh are the chief mansions; and 3 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, 2 of between £50 and £100, and 4 of between £20 and £50. Anwoth is in the presbytery of Kirkcudbright and synod of Galloway; the minister's income is £254. The present church (1826) stands $1\frac{3}{4}$ mile W by S of Gatehouse, and contains 400 sittings. At Fleet Street, too, are the U.P. church of Gatehouse and a public school, which had accommodation for 175 children, and an average attendance in 1891 of 144, and a grant of £161, 18s. 6d., when Skyreburn public school, with accommodation for 94 children, had an attendance of 48 and a grant of £58, 7s. Valuation (1888) £6500. Pop. (1831) 830, (1861) 899, (1871) 827, (1881) 728, (1891) 724. See pp. 99-109 of Harper's *Rambles in Galloway*.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 4, 5, 1857.

Aonachan, a hamlet near the centre of the mainland of Inverness-shire, with formerly a post office under Fort Augustus.

Aonach-Shasuinn, a mountain 2902 feet high, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Loch Affric, NW Inverness-shire.

Appin, one of the five sections of Dull parish, Perthshire, comprehends the Strath of Appin, down which the Keltay Burn flows from the skirts of Schiehallion 6 miles south-eastward to the Tay, at a point 2 miles NE of Kenmore. Thence it is prolonged down the strath of the Tay, past Aberfeldy, to near Grandtully Castle; and contains Dull church, and many fine artificial features. It is one of the most picturesque tracts in the Perthshire Highlands.

Appin, an estate, with a colliery, in Dunfermline parish, Fife, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Dunfermline.

Appin (*Abthania* or *Aphane*, i.e., 'abbatial lands' of Lismore), a village, a *quoad sacra* parish, and a territorial district, on the coast of Argyllshire. The village stands at the head of Appin Bay, on the SE side of Loch Linnhe, 15 miles NNE of Oban; and has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments. The *quoad sacra* parish, constituted in 1668, is in the civil parish of Lismore, extends along the SE side of Loch Linnhe, measuring about 18 miles by 12, and abounds in interesting features. The shore is sandy, broken with islands and indentations; the coast behind is generally high, but not rocky, embellished with woods and mansions. The interior ranges from undulating meadow along the coast to high mountain on the farther watershed, or rises away in great variety of height and contour, and terminates in alpine masses, cleft by deep glens, and striped with torrents or cataracts. The scenery everywhere is richly diversified and strikingly picturesque. The Airds of Appin, lovely with lawn and wood, occupy the peninsula between Lochs Linnhe and Creran; Port-Appin, with an inn, fronts the N end of Lismore; Portnacroish village, with another inn, stands on the northern horn of Appin Bay; and opposite Shuna island is Appin House. This parish, forming part of Lismore and Appin civil parish, is in the presbytery of Lorn and synod of Argyll, the stipend being £200, with manse and glebe. A new parish church was built in 1890. Glen-Creran mission church was opened in 1888. There is also a Free church for Appin and Lismore. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1871) 1327, (1891) 669; of registration district (1871) 728, (1881) 762, (1891) 669. The territorial district comprehends likewise Glen-Creran, Glen-Duror, Kingairloch, and Glenceo, and is upwards of 5 miles long, and from 10 to 15 broad. Appin abounds in legends of

Caledonian times; possesses some interesting mediæval antiquities; and was the country of the Stewarts, or Stuarts, long famed as 'the unconquered foes of the Campbell,' but ultimately overmastered. Their history may be read in *The Stewarts of Appin*, by John H. J. Stewart and Lieut.-Col. Duncan Stewart; and Hogg, the Ettrick Shepherd, has celebrated their fame in verse:—

'I sing of a land that was famous of yore,
The land of green Appin, the ward of the flood;
Where every grey cairn that broods over the shore,
Marks a grave of the royal, the valiant, or good;
The land where the straits of grey Ossian were framed—
The land of fair Selma and reign of Fíogal,—
And late of a race, that with tears must be named,
The noble Clan Stuart, the bravest of all.
Oh, ho, an' Re! 't the Stuarts of Appin!
The gallant, devoted, old Stuarts of Appin!
Their glory is o'er,
For the clan is no more,
And the Sassenach sings on the hills of green Appin.'

Appleby, a place on the N border of Glasserton parish, Wigtownshire, 2½ miles W by N of Whithorn.

Applecross, a hamlet and a parish on the W coast of Ross-shire. The hamlet lies at the head of a small bay of its own name, opposite the central parts of Skye, 24 miles W by N of Strathcarron station on the Dingwall and Skye railway, and 14 by water NE by E of Broadford. It has a money order office under Lochcarron, a stone jetty, and an inn. The name is commonly referred either to an 18th century proprietor's having planted five apple-trees crosswise in his garden, or to a monkish tradition that apples grown here bore the sign of the cross; but *Applecross* is really a corruption of the ancient *Aporrosan* or *Abercrassan*, the most northerly of all the Scottish *abers*. The church of Aporrosan was founded in 673 by St Maclurubha, who, coming over from the Irish monastery of Bangor, made this his centre for the evangelisation of all the western districts between Lochs Carron and Broom (Skene, *Celt. Scot.*, ii. 169 and 411, 412). A relic, probably, of this Columban monastery is an upright slab in the churchyard, bearing the figure of a collared cross. The reach of sea before the hamlet, separating Raasay and Rona islands from the mainland, is known as Applecross Sound. A stream, some 10 miles long, flows south-south-westward from high mountains to Applecross Bay at the hamlet, is very impetuous in its upper reaches, but becomes quiet lower down, and abounds with salmon and trout. Applecross House, a seat of Lord Middleton's, stands near the hamlet, and has a garden where fuchsias, geraniums, and similar plants flourish out of doors all the year round. The mainland approach to the hamlet is from Jeantown; and the road thence goes through a picturesque defile to Courthill, and then ascends, by zigzag traverses, a steep mountain corrie overhung by stupendous precipices, and commanding a view well-nigh as savage and sublime as that of Glencoe.

The parish, which, prior to 1726, formed part of Lochcarron parish, had its boundaries re-adjusted in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners. That part of it which lay east of the river Kishorn and south of the north march of Kishorn estate was transferred to Lochcarron. In this way three out of the four detached parts of Lochcarron that were surrounded by the parish of Applecross were united to the main portion of Lochcarron. The fourth portion and a part of the main portion lying to the east of it were transferred to Applecross. The coast-line is very irregular—not more than 45 miles in direct measurement, but fully 90 if one follows the windings of every loch and bay. The shores are in some places high and rocky, in others low and sandy. The interior mainly consists of hills and mountains; among them are Beinn Garavegult (1602 feet), Beinn Clachan (2028), and Beinn Bhein (2397). Valleys there are both beautiful and fertile; but hardly 2000 acres are under cultivation, and they have generally a soil neither deep nor loamy, but rather shallow, and either sandy or gravelly. Two other rivulets besides the Applecross stream, and likewise several lochs (the largest, Lundie),

contain trout and other fish; the sea-waters, too, abound in molluscs, are occasionally frequented by shoals of herring, and yield considerable quantities of cod, ling, flounders, etc. The shootings are extremely valuable, Lord Middleton's deer-forest being one of the largest. The climate is very moist, torrents of rain being frequent all the year round. Red and purple sandstones and conglomerates of Cambrian age are the prevailing rocks, to which the scenery owes its peculiar character; and copper has been worked at Kishorn. Part of the civil parish is included in the *quoad sacra* parish of SHIELDAIG; the remainder forms another *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Lochcarron and synod of Glenelg, its minister's income amounting to £150. The parish church, built in 1817, contains 600 sittings; and there is also a Free church. Seven public schools are those of Aligin, Applecross, Arinaerinachd, Callakille, Shieldaig, Diahaig, and Torridon. With total accommodation for 451 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 226, and grants of £333, 18s. 6d. Valuation £4414, 17s. 2d. Pop., mostly Gaelic-speaking, of civil parish (1891) 2029; of *quoad sacra* parish, 2038.

Applegarth (Norse, 'apple-yard,'—orchard), a parish of Annandale, Dumfriesshire, whose western half is traversed by the Caledonian, and contains the two stations of Nethercleuch and Dinwoodie, 3 and 6 miles respectively N by W of its post-town Lockerbie. Including since 1609 the ancient parish of Sibbaldie, it is bounded N by Wamphray, NE and E by Hutton, S by Dryfesdale, and W by Lochmaben and Johnstone. From N to S its greatest length is 6½ miles; its breadth from E to W varies between 3 and 5½ miles; and its area is 11,923½ acres, of which 59½ are water. The ANNAN traces nearly all the western boundary; and a fertile alluvial valley, extending thence to a little beyond the railway, rarely in the N exceeds 300, in the S 200, feet above the level of the sea. DEYFE Water runs south-south-eastward towards the Annan through the uplands above this valley; and heights to the W of it—from N to S—are Dinwoodie Hill (871 feet), Blaeberry Hill (635), Gayfield Type (714), Sibbaldieside (682), and Cleuch-heads (518); to the E of it, Mid Hill (721), Adderlaw (822), Bowhill (813), and Balgray Hill (770). About two-thirds of the entire area are arable, and some 300 acres are under wood; the rocks are variously volcanic, Silurian, and Triassic. Jardine Hall (Sir Alexander Jardine, seventh Bart. since 1672, and owner of 5538 acres in the shire) lies 1½ mile NNW of Nethercleuch station, and is a good mansion, built in 1814; other residences are Balgray, Hewk, Fourmerkland, and Dinwoodie Lodge; and there is also a steam saw-mill in the parish. A Roman road is thought to have run through Applegarth, in which there are no fewer than 3 camps and 14 hill-forts—2 of the latter on Dinwoodie Hill, where is also the graveyard of a chapel said to have belonged to the Knights Templars. At the SW angle of the parish stood its old church, where, on 7 July 1300, Edward I., then marching to besiege Caerlaverock, offered oblation at the altars of SS Nicholas and Thomas à Becket. The site of Sibbaldie church is marked by Kirkcroft on the Dryfe's left bank, 2½ miles NE of Nethercleuch. Applegarth is in the presbytery of Lochmaben and synod of Dumfries; its minister's income is £305. The present church (built 1760; repaired 1822) stands near where the old one stood, 2 miles SW of Nethercleuch, and contains 380 sittings. Two public schools, Sandyholm and Sibbaldie, with respective accommodation for 90 and 66 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 56 and 46, and grants of £41, 11s. 6d. and £51, 10s. Valuation £11,979, 1s. Pop. (1831) 999, (1871) 902, (1891) 858.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 10, 1864.

Appletree Hall, a hamlet in Wilton parish, Roxburghshire, 2½ miles NNW of Hawick.

Aquharaney, a mansion and estate in the W of Cruden parish, Aberdeenshire, 8 miles NE of Ellon.

Aquhorthies. See INVERTRIE.

Arasaig or **Arisaig**, a village and territorial district in Ardnamurchan parish, on the W coast of Invernessshire. The village stands on a small sea-loch, nearly opposite the N end of Eigg island, 22 miles NE of Ard-

namurchan Point, and 3½ W by N of Fort William. A small place, with only a few scattered houses, it serves as a centre of business and a point of communication for an extensive but thinly-peopled tract of country; maintained formerly a regular ferry to Skye, and still can furnish boats for passengers thither; communicates regularly with the steamers plying between the Clyde and Skye; and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, under Fort William, a large inn, a mission church of the Establishment, a Free Church mission station, a Roman Catholic chapel (1849; 600 sittings), a Christian Knowledge Society's school, and a Roman Catholic school, with accommodation for 68 and 114 children respectively, an average attendance in 1891 of 9 and 53, and grants of 47, 15s. and 454, 19s.; there is also a public library and reading room. The minister of the Established mission church receives 460 a-year from the Royal Bounty grant, and has a manse.

The territorial district is bounded by Loch Morar on the N, by Loch Aylort on the S; has a rugged, sterile, mountainous character; and terminates seaward in a promontory, called Arasaig Point, nearly opposite the middle of Eigg island. Pop. of registration district (1891) 929.

Aray or Ary (Gael. *a-reidh*, 'smooth water'), a stream of the Argyll district of Argyllshire, rising in several head-streams near the watershed between the head of Loch Fyne and the foot of Loch Awe, and running about 9 miles southward to Loch Fyne, which it enters near Inverary Castle, giving name to Inverary. It is crossed at its mouth by a bridge on the line of road along the W shore of Loch Fyne, and is followed down its whole course by the road from Oban to Inverary. It runs on a rocky bed, along the bottom of a romantic glen, beneath bare hills first, and then between finely wooded banks. Col. Robertson's etymology notwithstanding, it has an impetuous current, makes several picturesque falls, and is called by Skene the 'furious Aray.' The finest fall occurs about 3 miles from Inverary, and bears the name of Lenach-Gluthin. The stream here rushes through a rocky cleft, and leaps down a precipice 60 feet high into a whirlpool below, thence shooting through a narrow opening. Salmon and grise often ascend to the pool, leap from it into the vertical cataract, and reach the first ledge of the precipice, only to be hurled back by the force of the water. Another beautiful fall, Carlonan Linn, occurs about mid-way between Lenach-Gluthin and Inverary. The upper Aray is open to anglers from the Argyll Arms, Inverary, and sport is very good, especially in July and August.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 45, 37, 1876.

Arbigland, a coast estate, with a handsome mansion and finely planted grounds, in Kirkbean parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, 1½ mile SE of Kirkbean village. Its owner, Col. Blackett, holds 1453 acres in the shire, valued at £3291 per annum. In a cottage here the naval adventurer Paul Jones was born 6 July 1747, his reputed father being gardener, and his mother cook, to Mr William Craik, whose grandfather had bought the estate from the Earl of Southesk in 1722.

Arbikie, a place in the south-western extremity of Lumsa parish, Forfarshire. A range of small tumuli here, at equal distances from one another, over a length of about 2400 feet, is supposed to mark the site of some ancient sanguinary battle.

Arbirlot (Gael. 'ford of the Elliot'), a village and a coast parish of Forfarshire. The village, on the left bank of Elliot Water, is 2½ miles W by S of Arbroath, 2 miles WNW of Elliot Junction; has a post office under Arbroath, a cattle fair on the second Wednesday of November, a parish library, the parish church (rebuilt 1832; 639 sittings), and a Free church; and is described as 'lying in a secluded hollow beside the stream, where, with the cottages nestling in their greenery, the bridge, the mill, and foaming water, the scene is more than ordinarily picturesque.' The old manse here 'was replaced in 1835 by another (almost, if not altogether, the best manse in Scotland) on the height across the stream—a spot which Dr Guthrie selected as commanding a view of the sea.'

The parish contains also the village of Bonnington, 2

miles W by S. Bounded N by St Vigeans, NE by Arbroath, SE by the German Ocean, S by the Hatton section of St Vigeans and by Panbride, SW by Panbride, and NW by Carmyllie, it has a varying length from E to W of 2½ and 4½ miles, an utmost width from N to S of 3½ miles, and a land area of 6747 acres. The coast, 1½ mile long, is flat and sandy; inland, the surface rises gently west-north-westward to 258 feet near Pitcundrum, 262 near Bonnington, 338 near Wester Knox, 273 near Easter Bonhard, 400 near Lynn, 295 on Kelly Moor, and 304 near Lochaber. The rocks, Devonian and eruptive, contain rock-crystals; the soils of the arable lands (about four-fifths of the entire area) are in some parts argillaceous, in most parts a light rich loam incumbent on gravel, while those of the higher grounds (about one-sixth) are wet and moorish. The only distinctive features in the landscape are found along the gentle valley of the ELLIOT. It here has an east-south-eastward course of 3½ miles, receives from the W the Rottenraw Burn, and sweeps below the village through a steep wooded dell past the old grey tower of Kelly Castle, which, held by the Auchterlonies from the 15th to the 17th century, came in 1679 to the Earl of Panmure, an ancestor of the Dalhousie family. See BRECHIN. George Gladstones, afterwards Archbishop of St Andrews, was minister of Arbirlot in 1597, as also was Dr Guthrie from 1830 to 1837; and in Arbirlot was born, in 1833, Sir John Kirk, M.D., to whom is largely due the suppression of the East African slave trade. The Earl of Dalhousie is chief proprietor, two other landowners holding each an annual value of between £100 and £500, and four of from £20 to £50. Arbirlot is in the presbytery of Arbroath and synod of Angus and Mearns; the living is worth £195. Its public school, erected in 1876, with accommodation for 129 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 90, and a grant of £82, 5s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £11,069, 10s. (including £2367 for railways and waterworks). Pop. (1801) 945, (1831) 1086, (1871) 919, (1881) 822, (1891) 848.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 49, 57, 1865-68. See part iv. and chap. iii. of the *Autobiography and Memoir of Thomas Guthrie*.

Arbory Hill, a conical hill in the SW angle of Lamington parish, S Lanarkshire, on the right bank of the Clyde, 1 mile below the mouth of Glengonnar Water. It rises to a height of 1406 feet above sea-level, and is crowned by extensive rude relics of an ancient Caledonian work. First are a wide fosse and a rampart; next, about 18 feet farther up, are another fosse and a large earth-work; next, about 48 feet still farther up, is a circle of stones upwards of 20 feet thick and about 4 high; and, finally, is an enclosed or summit space about 132 feet in diameter.

Arbroath (anc. *Aberbrothock*, Celt. 'ford of the Brothock'), a royal, police, and parliamentary burgh, a seaport, and a seat of manufacture on the SE coast of Forfarshire, at the mouth of the Brothock Burn. It stands at the junction of the Arbroath and Forfar railway, opened in 1839, the Dundee and Arbroath Joint line, opened in 1840, and the Arbroath and Montrose railway, opened in 1881; and by rail is 14½ miles SE by E of Forfar, 15½ SSW of Montrose, 57½ SSW of Aberdeen, 16½ ENE of Dundee, 38½ ENE of Perth, 77 NNE of Edinburgh (*viâ* Tay Bridge), and 100½ NE of Glasgow. Its site is chiefly a little plain, engirt on the land sides by eminences of from 100 to 200 feet, which command an extensive view of the sea, of Forfarshire, and of the elevated parts of Fife. The old royal burgh consisted chiefly of one main street less than 1 mile in length, crossed by another smaller street, and by a few still smaller lanes. But the modern town has spread widely from Arbroath into St Vigeans parish. Newgate, Seagate, Marketgate, New Marketgate, Grimsby, Millgate, Lordburn, Applegate, Rotten Row, and Cobgate, mentioned in an official document of 1445 as crofts or rural thoroughfares, are all now, and have long been, edified streets. Newgate is the only one of them not built upon till recent times; Grimsby was feued in the latter part of last century; and Rotten Row and Cobgate are the parts of High Street respectively above and below the present parish church. One

portion of the St Vigeans extension, about 35 acres of the Almericlose estate, was covered with streets and factories in an incredibly short space of time; and others were added till what was at first a trivial suburb became coequal with all the original town. Two or three of the modern streets are handsome, and many possess some excellent houses. These, together with several other buildings, numerous new churches and other places of worship, add much to the appearance of the town. The stone used in its buildings is mostly red. In 1773 Dr Samuel Johnson, referring to the abbey, said that he should scarcely have regretted his journey had it afforded nothing more than the sight of Aberbrothock.

The Town-house, built in 1803, is a handsome edifice, and contains a large elegant apartment, a town-clerk's office, and a council chamber. The Guild Hall, a plain building, was completely destroyed by fire (10 Oct. 1880), but has been since rebuilt in a handsome style. The Trades' Hall was erected in 1815, and is now the property of the Corporation. The new Market Buildings and Corn Exchange are handsome buildings. The Public Hall was erected in 1865, and contains a museum and



Seal of Arbroath.

a large hall for concerts and public meetings. The Museum is open to the public on every lawful day, and in 1870 was enriched with a valuable collection of fishes, minerals, and other subjects, gifted by Mr James Renny of Edinburgh, and with three-fourths of the late Professor Fleming's collection of insects, shells, and fossils. The Public Subscription Library contains 13,000 volumes. The Mechanics' Institute has a library of more than 1500 volumes and a reading-room. Other institutions are a public subscription reading-room, a scientific and literary association, an educational institute, Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations (both of which secured suitable premises for their meetings in 1891), science and art evening classes, cricket, football, and curling clubs, an infirmary and dispensary, 2 destitute sick societies, a ladies' clothing society, a town mission, a female home mission, and about a dozen charity funds or mortifications, bequeathed since 1738. The infirmary and dispensary, a handsome building, opened in 1845, is situated on the high common.

Arbroath has over 20 places of worship, divided among 12 denominations, and all of them modern but one. The parish church, built about 1590 with the materials of the abbey dormitory, and enlarged or repaired in 1762, 1788, 1823, and 1869, had a handsome Gothic spire added in 1831 at a cost of £1300, and 152 feet high, also old carving in its pews, and 2 bronze alms-dishes, taken probably from the abbey. It was completely destroyed by fire on 14 Nov. 1892, a few hours after a crowded congregation had left it. Very fortunately, the spire, one of the handsomest of its kind in Scotland, escaped. Abbey Church, built in 1797 at a cost of £2000, was greatly altered, though hardly improved (1876-78) at a cost of £2000 more, new windows being struck out and old ones closed, a flat panelled ceiling inserted, the gallery stairs transferred to the outside, etc. A new tower

and front were built in 1885. Inverbrothock Church was built in 1828, Ladyloan in 1838, the latter being adorned in 1875 with two memorial stained-glass windows; and all these three, Abbey, Inverbrothock, and Ladyloan, have been raised from chapels of ease to *quoad sacra* churches in respectively 1869, 1855, and 1865. St Margaret's was erected (1877-79) at a cost of £6000, and became a *quoad sacra* church in 1886. St Ninian's chapel was opened in 1885. Free churches are East (rebuilt at Brothock Bridge 1875), Inverbrothock (rebuilt 1890), High Street (the former Episcopal chapel, 1856), Knox's (1867), and Ladyloan (1845). There are three U.P. churches, Erskine (1851), Princes Street (1867), and St Paul's (rebuilt 1888), whilst each of the following bodies has one—United Original Seceders (1821), Evangelical Union (1878), Congregationalists (1866), Baptists (1873), Wesleyans (opened by Wesley himself, 1772), 'Balechristians' (1783), and Irvingites (1865). St Mary's Episcopal church (1852-54) is a good Gothic building with spire; the Catholic church of St Thomas of Canterbury (1848) has 4 stained-glass windows. The Academy, built in 1821, in 1861 took the name of High School, on amalgamation with the Educational Institution (1844), and in 1872 passed to the charge of the school board; with a rector, 8 under-masters, and accommodation for 613, it furnishes higher-class education to over 300 pupils. The Abbey, Hill, Keptie, Inverbrothock (rebuilt at Cairnie in 1890), Ladyloan, and Parkhouse (rebuilt in 1892) public schools, a half-time school, taught in the old Inverbrothock school buildings at Stebrecross, Abbot Street school, and St Thomas's R.C. school, have accommodation for 4147 children, an average attendance of 3114 in 1891, and total grants amounting to £3088, 17s. 3d.

An ancient abbey, now in a state of picturesque decay, is much the most imposing object in the town. This stands in High Street, near the parish church. It was founded in 1178 by William the Lyon, and dedicated to SS. Mary and Thomas a Becket. Becket had been martyred at the high altar of Canterbury Cathedral only seven years before, and William the Lyon had recently suffered shameful defeat and ignominious capture by the English at Alnwick; but William had been personally acquainted with Becket, and is supposed to have regarded him as a private friend. 'Was this the cause,' Cosmo Innes asks, 'or was it the natural propensity to extol him, who, living and dead, had humbled the crown of England, that led William to take St Thomas as his patron saint, and to entreat his intercession when he was in greatest trouble? Or may we consider the dedication of his new abbey, and his invocation of the martyr of Canterbury, as nothing more than the signs of the rapid spreading of the veneration for the new saint of the high church party, from which his old opponent himself, Henry of England, was not exempt!' The abbey received great endowments, not only from William, but from many subsequent princes and barons; received also, in 1204, a charter of privileges from King John of England; and was one of the richest in Scotland. Its monks were of the Tyronensian order; and the first ones were brought from Kelso. Its abbots had several special privileges; they were exempted from assisting at the yearly synods; they had the custody of the Breckenach, or consecrated banner of Columbia; they acquired from Pope Benedict, by Bull dated at Avignon, the right to wear a mitre; and they, in some instances, were the foremost churchmen of the kingdom. The last abbot was Cardinal Beaton, at the same time Archbishop of St Andrews. The abbey was not completed till 1233; and, after the death of Beaton, it felt the blows of the iconoclastic Reformers. Its property then was converted into a temporal lordship in favour of Lord Claude Hamilton, third son of the Duke of Chatelherault; passed soon to the Earl of Dysart; and passed again in the reign of James VI. to Patrick Maule of Panmure, ancestor of the Earl of Dalhousie.

A stone wall, from 20 to 24 feet high, enclosed the precincts of the abbey, and was 1150 feet in length along the E and W sides, 706 along the N side, and 484 along

the S side. A tower, 24 feet square and 70 high, stood at the NW corner; was used for some time as the regality prison; was afterwards, in its ground-flat, converted into a butcher's shop; and is still entire. Another tower, somewhat smaller, stood at the SW angle; had raised upon it a slated spire; served for many years as a steeple to the parish church; but, becoming ruinous, was taken down in 1830, to give place to the church's present steeple. A stately porch, in the N wall, formed the main entrance; seems to have been furnished with a porteuillis, which now forms the armorial bearings of the town; and was demolished as insecure about 1825. Another entrance, called the Dargate, far inferior in architectural structure to the main entrance, stood at the SE corner. The church stood in the northern part of the enclosure; measured 276 feet from E to W; seems to have been 67 feet high from the pavement to the roof; and had two western towers, and a great central tower. The nave, of nine bays, was 148, and the three-bayed choir 76½ feet long; the central aisle was 35, and each of the side aisles 16½ feet wide; whilst the transept was 132 feet long and 45½ wide. The whole structure is now in a state of chaotic ruin, and mingles with fragments of the cloisters and other attached buildings in prostrate confusion; yet, by attentive observation, can still be traced as to its cruciform outline, and considerably re-constructed, in imagination, as to its several parts and its main details. The great western doorway is still entire, and forms a grand object. A rose window, seemingly of great size and much beauty, surmounted the great western doorway, and has left some vestiges. Another of smaller size is yet seen on the upper part of the wall of the S transept. The S wall and part of the E end are still standing; and they retain some windows, or portions of windows, and some other features, which distinctly show the characteristic architecture. The pillars which supported the roof are all demolished, but can still be easily traced in their sub-basements or foundations; and those at the intersection of the nave or transept have been so much larger than the others as evidently to have been piers supporting the central tower. The architecture was partly Norman, but mainly Early English; and it exhibits these styles in a closeness of blending, and in a gentleness of transition to be seen elsewhere in only a very few buildings. The great western door is Norman, in rather peculiar mouldings, but evidently of the later or latest Norman type; and the gallery above the interior of that doorway has the Early English arch resting on the Norman pillar and capital. The building material, however, was a dark-red sandstone so very friable that the mouldings and tracery, excepting only at a few places, are very much obliterated. Large masses of the pile, too, have fallen at comparatively recent periods—one of them immediately before Pennant visited the ruins in 1772. Operations were undertaken by the Exchequer to prevent further dilapidation; but these, though well meant and in some sense highly serviceable, have introduced flat new surfaces of masonry, utterly discordant with the rugged contiguous ruins. A building, said to have been the chapter-house, adjoins the S transept on the E; consists of two vaulted apartments, the one above the other; and is in a state of good repair. The cloisters appear to have stood in front of that building and of the S transept, but have been utterly destroyed. The abbot's house stood at a short distance from the S wall of the nave; and a portion of it is still inhabited as a private mansion. The tomb of King William the Lyon, who was buried before the high altar 9 Dec. 1214, was discovered in 1816 during the Exchequer's operations; it consists of hewn freestone. There are also several interesting monuments, among them the effigies of three of the thirty-two abbots of Arbroath. One of these is in blue sandstone; another has pouch and girdle of madreporé. Many tombs or gravestones of a very remote antiquity are in the graveyard near the church; but they want distinctive character, and are remarkable mainly for having the primitive form of the cross among their sculptures.

Arbroath has a head post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, and two branch post offices; several hotels; offices of the Bank of Scotland, the British Linen Co., the Clydesdale, Commercial, and Royal banks, a local savings bank (1815); numerous insurance offices; three vice-consulships, of respectively the German Empire, Sweden and Norway, and Belgium; a custom-house; two Liberal papers, the *Arbroath Guide* (Saturday; 1842), and the *Arbroath Herald* (Thursday). Saturday is market-day, and hiring fairs are held on the last Saturday of January, 26 May, 18 July, and 22 Nov., provided these days are Saturdays, otherwise on the Saturday following. The manufacture of brown liens was introduced in the early part of last century; took a great start, about the year 1738, from a local weaver's discovery of the mode of making osnaburgs, and by a few local capitalists then engaging in the manufacture; and made such progress that, in the year 1792, so many as 1,055,303 yards of osnaburgs and brown linen, valued at £39,660, were stamped in the town. The making of sailcloth, in the same year, employed nearly 500 weavers, and was almost as productive in point of value as the other manufacture. The making of linen thread was introduced about 1740, prospered for nearly half a century, and then dwindled rapidly to extinction. The spinning of flax by steam power was introduced in 1806, came to a crucial trial in the Inch mill about 1808, and then took root as a permanent employment. A grand rush of increased business in the various departments of the linen trade occurred between 1820 and 1826, but was greatly impelled by over-speculation; and, in the latter part of 1825, and the early part of 1826, it received a tremendous check in a most disastrous crisis. The linen manufacture seemed, at the instant, to be overwhelmed; and it went on for a time with faltering progress and extreme caution; yet it eventually resumed its previous breadth, and became as vigorous as ever. The spinning mills were 16 in 1832, 19 in 1842, when the quantity of flax spun was about 7000 tons, the value of the yarn about £300,000, the number of linen weavers 732 (about a third of them women), and the number of canvas weavers 450 (about a fifth of them women). In 1851 the nominal horse-power of the engines was 530, the number of spindles 30,342, of power-looms 806, and of persons employed 4620. The mills in 1867 were 18, but aggregated had larger space and did more work than the same number in 1842, their nominal horse-power being 892, and the number of spindles 36,732, of power-looms 830, and of persons employed 4941. There are now over 30 spinning mills and factories, all driven by steam, with 40,000 spindles, and fully 1100 power-looms, which, together, turn out weekly about 500,000 yards of cloth. There are also bleachfields, calendering establishments, tanneries, engineering works, asphalt and tar factories, chemical works, iron foundries, roperies, and a ship-building yard; the manufacture of boots and shoes employs 600 or 700 hands. Fishing employs 146 boats of 1169 tons, and over 600 men and boys.

The Abbot's Harbour (1394), a wooden pier projecting from Danger Point, 'was not much liked by mariners; accordingly, the Old Harbour was formed (1725-42) to the westward, at a cost of over £6000. Its W pier was rebuilt (1789), a lighthouse erected (1798), and a patent slip laid down (1827); but it admitted vessels of only 100 tons at low tide, of only 200 at spring tide. Between 1841 and 1846, then, £58,000 was expended on the improvement of the Old and the construction of the New Harbour; this, with a break-water, admits at spring tides ships of 400 tons; had conveyed to it the property and shore dues of the Old Harbour on payment of £10,000 to the community; and is administered by a body of 23 trustees, comprising the provost, 10 parliamentary burgh electors, 4 county representatives, &c. Lastly, between 1871 and 1877, at a cost of more than £29,000, including £20,000 from Government, the Old Harbour was converted into a wet dock, the New Harbour and the entrance from the Bar were deepened, and a new patent slip was formed

for ships of 700 tons. In 1891 the harbour revenue was £4325. The aggregate tonnage registered as belonging to the port was 3355 in 1891—viz. 18 sailing vessels of 3332 tons and 1 steamer of 23 tons. The following table gives the aggregate tonnage of vessels that cleared and entered from and to foreign and colonial ports and coastwise in cargoes and in ballast:—

	Entered.			Cleared.		
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.
1873	32,532	7106	39,638	32,022	8099	40,121
1878	35,561	8965	44,527	36,940	8345	45,285
1880	31,525	6846	38,371	33,425	6828	40,253
1891	23,796	3034	26,830	22,897	2326	25,223

Of the total, 211 vessels of 26,830 tons, that entered in 1891, 73 of 15,956 tons were steamers, 36 of 2467 tons were in ballast, and 193 of 19,545 tons were coasters; whilst the total, 212 of 25,233 tons, of those that cleared included 23 steamers of 2247 tons, 99 vessels in ballast of 16,025 tons, and 202 coasters of 23,679 tons. The trade is mainly an import coastwise one; and coal is a chief article of import.

Till then most probably a burgh of regality, Arbroath in 1599 received a charter of *novodamus* from James VI., by which it became a royal burgh. It is governed by a provost, 3 bailies, a dean of guild, a treasurer, and 12 councillors. There is a gildry incorporation; and there are incorporated trades of hammermen, glovers, shoemakers, weavers, wrights, tailors, and bakers. The General Police and Improvement Act of Scotland was adopted prior to 1871. A police court sits every Monday; a justice of peace court on the first Monday of every month; and a sheriff small debt court on the third Wednesday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. The Nolt Loan water supply was provided in 1871 at a cost of £1700, and a water tower added in 1886 at a cost of over £7000. The burgh unites with Montrose, Forfar, Brechin, and Bervie in sending a member to parliament. Pop. of royal burgh (1891) 22,987; of parliamentary burgh, 22,800.

The following is a list of the principal charity funds or mortifications of the town:—Carnichael's, founded 1793, out of which the widows of seven shipmasters get a division half-yearly; Colvill's, founded 1812, out of which £60 annually is paid to the Educational Trust, £10 to the Scotch Episcopal clergymen, £10 each to the poor of Arbroath and of St Vigeans, and the residue to twenty poor householders; Dove's, founded in 1841, for the education of native-born boys of poor parentage; Mrs Kenny Strachan's, which amounts to £50 yearly, to be expended in purchasing coals and oatmeal for distribution at Christmas amongst the most necessitous poor; Forbes' fund, founded 1864, from which sums of not less than £8 nor more than £10 yearly are given for the relief of destitute widows and old unmarried females in the town of Arbroath; Gibson fund, founded 1868, annual produce of residue of trust estate of the late William Gibson, applied as follows:—£100 to the Educational Trust for the higher education of poor lads by bursaries or otherwise, and the remainder divided yearly in sums of not less than £20 and not more than £25 among poor householders of the town of Arbroath; Gibson Christmas Charity, 1868, annual revenue of £2000 applied one-half in purchase of coals, other half in groceries, oatmeal, and clothes for distribution among the necessitous poor of the town; Gibson Mortification, 1868, annual revenue of a sum of £4000 divided yearly among sixteen poor householders of the town. Besides these there are—Duncan's Charity (1869), Arbilkie Fund (1876), Smith's Charity (1880), Miln's Charity (1880), Arrott's (1885), and Petrie's.

From a fishing hamlet under the abbey's protection, Arbroath grew up in the 14th century to be a place of some foreign trade. A parliament assembled in the abbey in April 1320, adopted a solemn address to the Pope on behalf of Scottish independence, and is remark-

able as the earliest parliament in which we find distinct evidence of a formal representation of the burghs.

Jurisdiction over the criminal affairs of the abbey and over its prison was resigned by the monks to a layman; and in the year 1445 the election to this office led to very disastrous consequences. The monks that year chose Alexander Lindsay, eldest son of the Earl of Crawford, and commonly known by the appellation of The Tiger or Earl Beattie, to be the bailie or chief-justiciar of their regality; but he proved so expensive by his number of followers and high way of living, that they were obliged to remove him, and appoint in his stead Alexander Ogilvy of Inverquhar, nephew to John Ogilvy of Airlie, who had an hereditary claim to the place. This occasioned a cruel feud between the families; each assembled their vassals; and 'there can be little doubt,' says Mr Fraser Tytler, 'that the Ogilvies must have sunk under this threatened attack, but accident gave them a powerful ally in Sir Alexander Seton of Gordon, afterwards Earl of Huntly, who, as he returned from court, happened to lodge for the night at the castle of Ogilvy, at the very moment when this baron was mustering his forces against the meditated assault of Crawford. Seton, although in no way personally interested in the quarrel, found himself, it is said, compelled to assist the Ogilvies, by a rude but ancient custom, which bound the guest to take common part with his host in all dangers which might occur so long as the food eaten under his roof remained in his stomach. With the small train of attendants and friends who accompanied him, he instantly joined the forces of Inverquhar, and proceeding to the town of Arbroath, found the opposite party drawn up in great strength on the outside of the gates.' As the two lines approached each other, and spears were placing in the rest, the Earl of Crawford, anxious to stay the fight, suddenly appeared on the field, and, galloping up between the two armies, was accidentally slain by a soldier. The Crawfords, assisted by a large party of the vassals of Douglas, and infuriated at the loss of their chief, thereupon attacked the Ogilvies with a desperation which quickly broke their ranks, and put them to irreclaimable disorder. Such, however, was the gallantry of their resistance, that they were almost entirely cut to pieces. Nor was the Ogilvies' loss in the field their worst misfortune; for Lindsay, with his characteristic ferocity, and protected by the authority of Douglas, let loose his army upon their estates, and the flames of their castles, the slaughter of their vassals, the plunder of their property, and the captivity of their wives and children instructed the remotest adherents of the justiciar of Arbroath, how terrible was the vengeance which they had provoked.

During the war in 1781, this coast was annoyed by a French privateer, the *Fearnought* of Dunkirk, commanded by one Fall. On the evening of the 23d of May, he came to anchor in the Bay of Arbroath, and fired a few shots into the town; after which he sent a flag of truce on shore, with the following letter:—

'At sea, May twenty-third. . .

'Gentlemen, I send these two words to inform you, that I will have you to bring to me the French colours, in less than a quarter of an hour, or I set the town on fire directly; such is the order of my master the king of France I am sent by. Send directly the mayor and chiefs of the town to make some agreement with me, or I'll make my duty. It is the will of yours.

'To Messieurs Mair of the town called }
Arbroath, or in his absence, to the }
chief man after him, in Scotland.' }

The worthy magistrates, with a view to gain time to arm the inhabitants, and send expresses for military aid, in the true spirit of subtle diplomacy gave an evasive answer to Monsieur Fall's letter, reminding him that he had mentioned no terms of ransom, and begging he would do no injury to the town till he should hear from them again. Upon this Fall wrote a second letter to them in the following terms:—

'At sea, eight o'clock in the afternoon. . .

'Gentlemen, I received just now your answer, by which you say I ask no terms. I thought it was useless, since I asked you to come aboard for agreement. But here are my terms; I will have £30,000 sterling at least, and 6 of the chiefs men of the town

for otage. Be speedy, or I shoot your town away directly, and I set fire to it. I am, gentlemen, your servant. I sent some of my crew to you; but if some harm happens to them, you'll be sure will hang up the main-yard all the preseners we have aboard.

'To Monsieurs the chiefs men of }
Arbrought in Scotland.'

The magistrates having now got some of the inhabitants armed, and their courage further supported by the arrival of some military from Montrose, set Fall at defiance, and 'ordered him to do his worst, for they would not give him a farthing.' Whereupon, says the worthy historian of this memorable transaction in the annals of Arbroath, terribly enraged, and no doubt greatly disappointed, he began a heavy fire upon the town, and continued it for a long time; but happily it did no harm, except knocking down some chimney-tops, and burning the fingers of those who took up his balls, which were heated.

Arbroath is the 'Fairport' of Scott's *Antiquary*; and both in itself and in its surroundings, it can easily be identified with his descriptions. Among its illustrious natives are David Pierson (fl. 1628), author of the rare *Varieties*; David Carey (1782-1824), poet and novelist; and Neil Arnot, M.D. (1788-1874), scientific inventor.

The parish of Arbroath is bounded N and NE by St Vigean, SE by the German Ocean, SW by Arbirlot. A detached portion of St Vigean parish was added to the parish of Arbroath in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners, while that part of Arbroath parish lying to the north of the road leading from the Arbroath and Forfar highway to Cairnconan, and another part of it lying to the east of the Arbroath and Forfar highway and to the north of the parliamentary boundary of the burgh, were transferred to the parish of St Vigean. The coast extends about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile; has a flat surface, with a rocky bottom; and adjoins a high mural reach of rock-coast, pierced with caves, and torn with fissures, in the parish of St Vigean. The land rises gradually behind the town, onward to the north-western boundary, and attains there an elevation of more than 200 feet above sea-level. The Brothock Burn comes in from St Vigean, and has a course of only about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile within Arbroath parish to the sea. A small lake called Bishop's Loch lay about 2 miles from the town, but has long been drained. The rocks are chiefly Devonian. The soil along the coast is light and sandy, behind the town is black loam, and in the NW is reclaimed moor on a clay bottom. Two landowners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 36 of between £100 and £500, 70 of from £50 to £100, and 197 of from £20 to £50. Arbroath is seat of a presbytery in the synod of Angus and Mearns; its living is worth £250. Valuation of laudward portion (1891) £1900, 13s. Pop. of entire parish (1831) 6660, (1861) 9847, (1891) 9657.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 49, 57, 1865-67.

The presbytery of Arbroath comprises the parishes of Arbroath, Arbirlot, Barry, Carmyllie, Guthrie, Inverkeilor, Kinnell, Kirkden, Lunan, Panbride, and St Vigean, the *quoad sacra* parishes of Abbey, Auchmithie, Carnoustie, Colliston, Frioekheim, Inverbrothock, Ladyloan, and St Margaret's, and St Ninian's chapel. Pop. (1891) 37,029, of whom 9,737 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, when the above-named congregations raised £3785 in Christian liberality. —A Free Church presbytery of Arbroath has churches at Arbirlot, Barry, Carmyllie, Carnoustie, Colliston, Frioekheim, Inverkeilor, and Panbride, besides the 5 at the town itself, these 13 congregations numbering 4327 communicants in 1891.—A U.P. presbytery of Arbroath has 3 churches there, 3 at Brechin, 3 at Montrose, and others at Carnoustie, Forfar, Johnshaven, and Muirton, the 13 numbering 4115 members in 1891.

See *Liber S. Thomæ de Aberbrothoc* 1178-1329, edited for the Bannatyne Club by Cosmo Innes and P. Chalmers (1848); Billings' *Antiquities* (1852); D. Miller's *Arbroath and its Abbey* (1860); Geo. Hay's *History of Arbroath* (1876); and T. Adam's *Aberbrothock Illustrated* (1886).

Arbroath and Forfar Railway, a railway of Forfarshire, from the E side of Arbroath harbour, $15\frac{1}{2}$ miles

west-north-westward to a junction with the Scottish Midland section of the Caledonian at Forfar. Incorporated 17 May 1836, it was formed at a cost of £131,644, and was opened partially in Sept. 1838, wholly in Jan. 1839. It is leased now in perpetuity to the Caledonian, at a yearly rental of £13,500.

Arbruchill. See ABERUCHILL.

Arbuckle, a village of NE Lanarkshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Airdrie.

Arbuthnott (12th c. *Abirbothemotte* = Gael. *abhírbhothan-neithe*, 'confluence at the booth of Neithe's stream'), a parish of E Kincardineshire, whose SE angle is $\frac{1}{4}$ mile distant from Bervie terminus, and whose W and NW borders are respectively $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Fordoun and Drumlithie stations on the main Caledonian line. It is bounded NW and N by Glenbervie, E by Kinneff, S by Bervie, SW by Garvoek, and W by Fordoun. Its length from N to S by W is 6 miles; its breadth varies from 1 to 5 miles; and its land area is 9585 acres. The river BERVIE, after following at intervals the boundary with Fordoun and Garvoek, winds $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile through the interior, past Arbuthnott Church, and traces next the boundary with Bervie; and the boundary with Glenbervie is formed by its affluent, the Forthie Water. The surface rises everywhere from the vale of the Bervie, is much diversified with hill and dale, and attains at Bruxie Hill, on the NE border, an extreme altitude of 710 feet—other summits being Water Hill (460 feet), Gallow Hill (465), Hillhead (571), and Birnie Hill (482). The vale of the Bervie has many curves and windings, abounds in large haughs and steep wooded banks, and at many points presents scenes of great beauty. The rocks are chiefly trap and Devonian, but include detached masses of gneiss and granite. Very fine pebbles, suitable for gems, have been found in trap-rock, a little below Arbuthnott House; calcareous spar is not uncommon; and, in Hare's Den, a deep ravine nearly opposite the parish church, are tiny veins of manganese. About two-thirds of the land are under the plough, and some 300 acres under wood. The knightly family of Arbuthnott obtained the greater portion of this parish in 1105; and Sir Robert, the fourteenth in descent, was created Viscount Arbuthnott and Baron Inverbervie in 1644. Arbuthnott House, the family seat, stands amid beautiful grounds near the left bank of the Bervie, which, spanned by a handsome bridge (1821), is joined here by a rapid rivulet (? anc. *Neithe*). Kair House, a neat modern mansion, succeeded the seat of a branch of the Sibbalds, extinct in the 17th century; Allardice, now a farmhouse, belonged in the 12th century to a family that has also become extinct in Captain Robert Barclay-Allardice (1799-1854), the famous pedestrian. Alexander Arbuthnott (1638-83), the first Protestant principal of King's College, Aberdeen, was minister, and probably a native of this parish, as certainly was Dr John Arbuthnott (1667-1735), most learned of the wits of Queen Anne's reign. Arbuthnott is in the presbytery of Fordoun and synod of Angus and Mearns; the minister's income is £214. Its church, St Ternan's, stands near Arbuthnott House, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Bervie, contains 440 sittings, and is an ancient structure apparently of Romanesque date. On the SW of the chancel is the Second Pointed chapel of St Mary, built by Sir Robert Arbuthnott in 1505, and consisting of two stories, the lower of which, vaulted and open to the church by a large semicircular arch, was the Arbuthnotts' former burial-place. The upper chamber is reached by a stair in a picturesque turret with a conical stone roof, and in both chambers are piscinas, besides a stoup at the entrance of the upper one (Muir's *Old Church Arch.*, p. 75). In February 1889, the church was gutted out by fire, and in June 1890 it was reopened after its restoration at a cost of £1215. The nave and chancel were restored as at the time of its consecration in 1242. The public school, with accommodation for 129 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 85, and a grant of £79, 17s.; and Arbuthnott has also a share in LAUBENCKIRK school. Valuation (1891) £7421, 19s. 6d. Pop. (1881) 809, (1891) 795.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 66, 67, 1871.

Archaig or **Arkaig**, a lake of Lochaber, Kilmallie parish, Inverness-shire, 10 miles N of Fort William, extends from W to E, and is 12 miles long, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile wide, and 140 feet above the level of the sea. The Pean and Dessarry, each about 6 miles long, after a united course of $\frac{3}{4}$ mile, flow into the head of the lake, which besides 100 smaller feeders receives on its southern side the Allt Camgharaidh and the Mallie, $5\frac{1}{2}$ and 9 miles long respectively, and which at its foot sends off the Archaig river to Loch Lochy, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile to the eastward. Mountains enclose the lake on every side—at its head, Monadh Gorm (1542 feet); to the N, Fraoch Bheinn (2808), Sgòr Mhurlagain (2885), Meall Bhlàir (2153), Sgòr Choinich (2450), Beinn Chraoibh (2014), and Glas Bheinn (2398); to the S, Culvain (3224), Mullach Coire (2373), Druim a' Ghiubhais (1846), Mullaich na Briobaire (1244), and Beinn Bhan (2613); and at its foot, Tor Ghallain (407). Only two islets break the long extent, Eilean a' Ghiubhais midway near the southern shore, and another at the lower end, with a ruined chapel and the burying-place of the Camerons of Lochiel, holders of the estate of ACHNACARRY. The shores are beautifully wooded here, but the grand forest of oaks and pines that formerly belted the entire lake is only recovering from the woodman's axe. The Knoidart road follows the northern bank, and thence goes on to Loch Lochy through the Mù-dubh ('dark mile'), a narrow, exquisitely wooded pass, associated with the wanderings of Prince Charles Edward in the August after Culloden; at Kinlocharkaig, near the upper end, is the shell of a fort erected to overawe the Clan Cameron. Herds of red deer are often to be seen, but salmon can rarely now ascend to the lake. Its trout run about three to the lb., and from 5 to 10 lbs. is an average day's catch. The fishing is open to the public, the season lasting from the end of April to September.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 62, 1875.

Arcan, a hamlet of E Ross-shire, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles from its post-town, Beaulieu.

Archaisig-Haven, a small harbour on the W side of Rona island, in Portree parish, Inverness-shire. It has a double entrance, and offers a convenient refuge for coasting vessels; but, except to the natives of Rona and the neighbouring islands, it is very little known.

Archerbrock, a burn and a coalfield in Canonbie parish, Dumfriesshire. The burn has only a short run, and goes to the Liddel. The coalfield has a main seam 5 feet 10 inches thick, and another seam, 3 yards below that, $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet thick, and is worked by an open level.

Archerfield, a seat of Miss Constance Nisbet-Hamilton in Dirlerton parish, Haddingtonshire, 3 miles WSW of North Berwick. It is a plain edifice in a level park, skirted with plantations, but commands a fine view over the Firth of Forth.

Archiestown, a village in Knockando parish, Elginshire, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Rothes, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Carron station on the Strathspey section of the Caledonian. Founded in 1760, and partly burned in 1783, it now consists of a main street, a square, and several lanes, and it has a money order post office under Craigellaich (4 miles E by N), a U.P. and a Free church, and a General Assembly school, which, with accommodation for 90 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 80, and a grant of £78, 7s. Pop. (1881) 374, (1891) 359.

Arclat. See ARKLET.

Ard, a lake in Aberfoyle parish, Perthshire. It lies in the course of the northern head-stream of the Forth, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by S of the summit of Ben Lomond (3192 feet), $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles S of Ben Venne (2393), and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of the hamlet of Aberfoyle. Upper Loch Ard is $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles long from W to E, and from 3 to 6 furlongs wide; the so-called lower loch, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the eastward, is less a lake than a mere expansion of the Avonhna, measuring 5 furlongs in length, but barely 1 in width. The shores are intricate, and finely wooded; two hills, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the S, Innis Ard and Bad Dearg, are only 566 and 533 feet high, yet are so broken and bosky as to be more impressive than lofty bare mountains; and the westward background is ever the soaring mass of Ben Lomond. The scene is best described in Scott's *Rob Roy*, chap. xxx.:—

'On the right, amid a profusion of thickets, knolls, and crags, lay the bed of a broad mountain lake. High hills, rocks, and banks, waving with natural forests of birch and oak, formed the borders of this enchanting sheet of water; and as their leaves rustled to the wind and twinkled in the sun, gave to the depth of solitude a sort of life and vivacity. . . . The road now suddenly emerged, and, winding close by the [northern] margin of the loch, afforded us a full view of its spacious mirror, which reflected in still magnificence the high dark heathy mountains, huge grey rocks, and shaggy banks, by which it is encircled.' A romantic coupe-clad ravine, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below the head of the lake, on its northern side, contains the cascade of Ledard—a double fall of first 12 and then 50 feet, where Captain Waverley met Flora Mac Ivor. A mural rock near the foot, from 30 to 50 feet high, gives a distinct echo, repeating a few words twice, and a gnarled oak trunk, overhanging it, is pointed out as the 'ragged thorn which, catching hold of the skirts of Bailie Nicol Jarvie's riding coat, supported him dangling in mid air, not unlike to the sign of the Golden Fleece.' One rocky islet lies near the upper head, and on the neighbouring southern promontory are the ruins of a castle, built by Murdoch, Duke of Albany, regent of Scotland, and said by tradition to have been the place of his retreat, whence he was taken captive to be executed at Stirling (1425). Loch Ard belongs to the Duke of Montrose, but the hotel-keeper at Aberfoyle has the fishing on it, and lets out boats to anglers. The trout average $\frac{3}{4}$ lb., and are equal in flavour to Loch Leven trout; there are likewise pike of from 15 to 20 lbs.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 38, 1871.

Ard or Aird. See AIRD.

Ardalanish, a headland in the SW of Mull, Argyllshire, 10 miles SE of Iona, and 14 WSW of the mouth of Loch Buoy.

Ardali, a hamlet in Ulva parish, Argyllshire.

Ardallie, a *quoad sacra* parish in Old Deer, Cruden, Ellon, and Longside parishes, Aberdeenshire. It has a post-town, Mintlaw; and its population, in 1891, was 489 within Old Deer, 439 within Cruden, 240 within Ellon, and 52 within Longside—altogether 1220. The parish is in the presbytery of Deer and synod of Aberdeen. Stipend £180. Two public schools, with respective accommodation for 110 and 60 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 81 and 58, and grants of £76, 4s. and £59, 6s.

Ardargie, an estate, with a mansion, in Forteviot parish, Perthshire, on the river May, 6 miles SSW of Perth. A well-preserved small Roman camp is here, on a high sloping bank overlooking the May; commands an extensive prospect of the Ochils, and along the course of the Roman road from the Tay to Ardoch; forms an exact square, of about 270 feet; and is defended, on one side, by a deep hollow traversed by a brook, on the other sides, by trenches 30 feet wide and 14 deep.

Ardavasar or **Ardvarsar**, a hamlet in the SE of the Isle of Skye, on a small bay of its own name on the Sound of Sleat, about 6 miles ENE of the Point of Sleat and 17 S of Broadford. It has a post office under Broadford, and a public school. A small headland flanks its bay, and is the ordinary landing-place from Arasaig.

Ardbeg, a headland on the E side of the Isle of Bute, flanking the N side of Rothesay Bay and the S side of Kames Bay.

Ardchadnail, a headland in Lochbroom parish, Ross-shire.

Ardchattan (Gael. 'height of St Cattan'), a large highland parish in the Lorn district of Argyllshire, lying upon both sides of Loch Etive. On the Oban and Callander railway, opened in July 1880, it has the station of Loch Awe at the foot of Ben Cruachan, 70 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Callander, and 22 E by S of Oban. It is bounded E and SE by Glenorchy; S and SW by Loch AWE, the river Awe, and the lower waters of Loch Etive, which separate it from Muckrair; W by Loch LIXNHE; and NW and N by Loch and Glen CHERAN and the parish of Lismore and Appin. From its NE angle near Stob Dearg to Ledaig Point in the extreme SW it measures $24\frac{1}{2}$ miles, its width from E to W varies

between 4 and 20 miles; and its area is roughly estimated at nearly 400 square miles. The whole almost of this area is wild mountainous, at more than forty points exceeding 2000, and at fourteen 3000, feet above the level of the sea. The summits to the E of Loch and Glen Etive are generally somewhat loftier than those of the western half, including, from N to S, Sron Creise (2952 feet), Beinn Mhic Chasgaig (2766), Clach Leathad (3602), Stob Dubh (2897), Meall Odhar (2875), Meall Tarsuinn (2871), Stob Coir an Albannaich (3245), Glas Bheinn Mhor (3258), Ben Starav (3541), Meall Dubh (2239), Stob an Duine Ruaidh (2624), Beinn nan Aighean (3141), Beinn Suidhe (2215), Beinn nan Lus (2327), Meall Beidh (2377), Beinn Lurachan (2346), Meall Copagach (2656), Beinn Eunaich (3242), Aonach Breac (2395), Beinn a' Chochuill (3215), Beinn a' Bluiridh (2935), and BEN CRUACHAN (3611). In the western portion, however, are Stob nan Cabar (2547 feet), Stob Dearg (3345), Buchaille (3120), Bidean nan Bran (3766), Beinn Maol Chialum (2967), Sgor na h'Ulaigh (3258), Beinn Fhionnlaidh (3139), Beinn Sgualair (3058), Beinn Trilleachan (2752), Meall Garbh (2400), Beinn Bhreac (2324), Beinn Molurgainn (2270), Meall Dearg (1897), Beinn Mheadhonach (2344), and Beinn Duirionis (1821). The extreme south-western district, beyond Glennan Salach, and between Loch Creran, Loch Linnhe, and the foot of Loch Etive, is level comparatively, its only summits being Na Maoilean (1145 feet), Beinn Lora (1007), and Sgor Mòr (722). Arable lands lie on both sides of the Benderloch range, in Glenure, and in a few other spots of the west and north; but, as to their main aggregate, they commence below Barcaldine House, extend thence, by Shian Ferry, Lochnell House, and Keil, onward to Connel Ferry, and stretch thence eastward, with partial interruptions, to the ferry over Loch Etive opposite Bunawe. The chief streams are the Awe, along the boundary from Loch Awe to Loch Etive, and the Etive, the Kinglass, the Liver, the Noe, the Creran, the Ure, the Buie, the Teithil, and the Dearg, running along the glens. Two cascades are on the Etive at Dalness and Colleir; two others, rather cataracts than falls, of very great depth, are on wild torrents of Buchaille-Etive; and a number of others are on burns or torrents descending from other mountains. Several fresh-water lakes lie in various parts, none of them of great extent, but most of them well stocked with trout. Perennial springs are everywhere abundant, and afford constant supplies of the purest water. The rocks are chiefly granite, mica-slate, and porphyry, but include at one place a stratum of coarse marble. The soil of the arable lands is principally a light loam on a gravelly bottom. Caledonian antiquities are numerous, especially stone circles and standing stones. A famous Dalriadic antiquity is at Dunmasnochan, and will be noticed under BENECONIUM. Grandly situated on Loch Etive, 4 miles NW of Taynuilt, are the ruins of St Modan's priory, founded in 1231 by Duncan Mackowle or MacDongal of Lora, for monks of the order of Vallis Cautilm. Little remains but the First Pointed choir, 66 feet by 28, with a north aisle or chapel, a piscina under a tooth-moulded arch, and fragments of massive piers suggesting a central tower. The sculptured tombstones of two priors, members of the MacDougal family, bear date 1500 and 1502. Here in 1308 Robert Bruce is said to have held a parliament, the last in which Gaelic was the language spoken; in 1644 the Macdonalds burned the priory, under their leader Colkitta. Only the prior's lodge escaped,—massive, high-roofed Ardchattan House, to the SW of the church (E. C. Batten, *Ecology and Priory, with notices of the Priors of Pluscardine and Ardchattan*, Grampian Club, 1877). Besides Ardchattan House there are two other principal mansions, namely, LOCHNEILL and BARCALDINE, the former a handsome mansion destroyed by fire about 1859. The present proprietor of Lochnell Mansion, Archibald Argyll Lochnell Campbell, Esq. (born 1849, succeeded 1882), holds 39,000 acres in the shire, valued at £6801 per annum. United *quoad civilia* to MUCKLAIR, Ardchattan forms by itself a *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Lorn

and synod of Argyll; its minister's income is £314. The old ruined parish church stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of the Priory at Balmoran or Balmhoadan ('St Modan's town'), a name that records the mission to Lorn, in connection with the Roman party, of SS. Modan and Ronan, early in the 8th century. The present church, 3 miles to the W, was built in 1836, and contains 430 sittings; and the *quoad sacra* parish of GLENCOE falls mainly within Ardchattan parish, which also has a Free church, on Loch Creran, 8 miles NNW of the parish church. Six public-schools, Achaleven, Ardchattan, Barcaldine, Glenetive, Lochnell, and Taynuilt, and Ardchattan Episcopal school, with total accommodation for 491 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 262, and total grants of £407, 12s. Valuation of Ardchattan-Muckkairn £15,190, 10s. Pop. (1831) 2420, (1861) 2346, (1871) 1962, (1881) 2005, (1891) 1975, of whom 1253 were in Ardchattan.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 45, 53, 1876-77. See pp. 141-158 of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (ed. by Prince Shairp), and P. G. Hamerton's *Painter's Camp in the Highlands* (2d ed. 1868), and R. Buchanan's *Hebridean Isles* (1883).

Ardeachnochran, a *quoadm* cottage-inn at the E end of the Trossachs, in Perthshire, on the spot now occupied by the Trossachs Hotel. The name signifies 'the high end of the rock.'

Ardehonnell, a hamlet with a public school in Kilmchrean parish, Argyllshire. The school, with accommodation for 37 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 17, and a grant of £41, 10s.

Ardehullarie, a mansion on the E side of Loch Lubnaig, in Callander parish, Perthshire. It was the retreat of James Bruce of Kinnaird, at the time when he was writing the account of his travels in Abyssinia (1790).

Ardeclach (Gael. 'high stony ground'), a hamlet and a parish of E Nairnshire. The hamlet, on the left bank of the Findhorn, $\frac{5}{8}$ miles SW of Dunphail station, 11 SSW of Forres, and 10 SE of Nairn, has a post office under Dunphail, and near it are the parish church (re-built 1839; 686 sittings) and Free church.

The parish is bounded N by Auldearn, E by Edinkillie in Elginshire, SE by Cromdale in Elgin and Duthil in Inverness-shire, W by Cawdor and Nairn. In shape resembling a triangle with vertex to the S, it has a length of $13\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a breadth from E to W of $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area since 1891 of 37,448 acres, having then lost 2869 acres, the area of two detached parts which the Boundary Commissioners transferred to the county of Elgin and parish of Edinkillie. From the south-western to the north-eastern border the beautiful FINDHORN winds for 12 miles through a richly-wooded valley, receiving here from the S the Leonach and Tomlachlan burns, and at Bridge of Dulsie, 5 miles above the church, being spanned by a fine old arch of 46 feet that carries over Wade's military road from Grantown to Fort George. The MUCKLE BURN drains the north-western corner of the parish, and 1 mile to the N of the hamlet lies Belivat Loch ($3\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ furlong), with no perceptible outlet. At Mill of Lethen on the Muckle Burn the surface sinks to 262, at Relugas Bridge on the Findhorn to 331, feet above sea-level; but elsewhere it everywhere rises south-westward or southward into fir-clad or heath-covered hills. The chief elevations W of the Findhorn, from N to S, are Tom Fade (463 feet), Lethen Bar (862), Carn Achadh Gaibhre (737), *Carn a' Chrasg (1314), Carn na Callich (1218), Tom nam Meann (872), and *Carn Sgumain (1370), where those marked with asterisks culminate just on the border; E of the Findhorn rise *Carn Dubhaidh (989), the *Hill of Aitnoch (1351), Tomlachlan (940), Naol an Tailleir (1373), *Carn nan Clach Garbha (1362), *Carn Allt Laigh (1872), and in Glenerner, Cairn Eney (908). The prevailing rocks are gneiss, granite, and quartz; the soil for the most part is light and sandy, arable lands bearing a small proportion to woods and moorland and moss. On Lethen Bar are traces of a stone circle and several tumuli; but the most famous relic of antiquity is the Princess Stone, on a lovely sequestered haugh below Dulsie Bridge. A cairn, surmounted by a slab, 8 feet by 4, with cross and knots carved thereon, it belongs to

the class of so-called 'Sculptured Stones,' though tradition makes it of Runic origin—the monument of a Celtic princess, who, in fording the Findhorn, was drowned with her Danish lover. Mansions are Conlmony House (1746) and Glenferness House (1837), the former standing on the left bank of the Findhorn below, and the latter on the right bank above, the hamlet. Their owners are, Mrs. Brodie of Lethen and the Earl of Leven and Melville (born, 1835; succeeded, 1889), who hold 22,378 and 7805 acres in the shire, valued at £1947 and £1317 per annum; and there are 4 other proprietors, 1 holding a yearly value of more, and 3 of less, than £500. Ardclach is in the presbytery of Nairn and synod of Moray; the living is worth £290. Three schools—Ferness, Fornightly, and Col. Campbell's—with respective accommodation for 60, 66, and 70 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 38, 48, and 14, and grants of £46, 1s., £59, 0s. 10d., and £28, 15s. 6d. Valuation, £6777, 15s. 10d. Pop. (1801) 1256, (1861) 1330, (1871) 1197, (1881) 1117, (1891) 991.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 84, 1876.

Ardeer, a desolate tract of sand hills, and a seat of extensive industry in Stevenston parish, Ayrshire. The tract lies on the coast between a sinuous line of ancient sea-beach and the present shore, extends from within $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile of Saltcoats to the mouth of Irvine Water, comprises an area of about 1200 acres, is all low and dismal, and lies upon rocks of the Carboniferous formation. Twelve separate seams of coal are beneath it, the uppermost 26 fathoms, the lowermost 129 fathoms, below the surface; and they have, more or less, been mined since about the year 1675. The seat of industry originated in the leasing of the mines about the year 1851; is situated in the south-western part of the tract, 2 miles E of Saltcoats; and has a branch railway, upwards of $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long, going into junction with the Kilwinning and Ardrossan section of the Glasgow and South-Western system. Iron-works were erected; several spacious squares of workmen's houses were built near the furnaces; the mining operations were largely extended; chemical works, employing about 200 men and boys, were established; and in the very first years of the enterprise, so many as 850 men, besides a great number of boys, were employed aggregately on the works. The iron-works at once produced between 900 and 1000 tons of pig-iron per week, and at an early date were greatly extended. The output of coal, in one of the first years, was no less than 130,000 tons. The chemical works proved to be un-compensating, and were relinquished; but a dynamite factory (that of Nobel's Company) was established in 1873 (see STEVENSTON). A schoolhouse was built for the children of the workmen; and a missionary, supported by some members of the Established Church, was engaged for the colliers and furnacemen. The entire seat of industry is called Ardeer Works. An extensive sandstone quarry, one of the most valuable in the West of Scotland, is in Ardeer. The stone abounds in vegetable organic remains; is of a gray tint, susceptible of a fine polish, and very durable; can be raised in blocks of large size; suits well for ornamental portions of public buildings; and is often shipped to Ireland and other places. The post-town of Ardeer is Stevenston.

Ardelister, a group of islets in Kildalton parish, Argyllshire.

Ardelve, a village in Lochalsh parish, Ross-shire, 4 miles from Lochalsh church. It has a money-order office under Stromie Ferry, a public school, and cattle fairs on the Saturday after the last Tuesday of May and July, and on the Saturday after the third Friday of September.

Arden, a series of tracts of limestone, aggregately about 2 miles long, in Eastwood parish, Renfrewshire.

Arden, a village in New Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Airdrie. Pop. (1891) 397.

Ardenadam, an alias of SANDBANK, or rather the name of the south-eastern portion of that village.

Ardenconnel, an estate, with a mansion, in Row parish, Dumbartonshire, adjacent to Row village.

Ardentiny (Gael. *ard-an-teine*, 'height of the fire'), a picturesque village on the western shore of Loch Long, in the Kilmun portion of Dunoon-Kilmun parish, Cowal,

Argyllshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Strone Point, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of Coulpport, with which it is connected by a ferry. Standing upon a spit of low ground, at the base of wood-skirted Stronehullin Hill (1798 feet) and Cnap Rann (1067), with Ben Ruadh (2178) in their rear, it mainly consists of a few snug cottages, the summer resort of Glasgow citizens; and with Glasgow and Greenock it communicates frequently daily by the Lochgoilhead and Arrochar steamers, while a good carriage-road up Glen Finart leads $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW to Whistlefield Inn upon Loch Eck. It has a post office under Greenock (nearest money-order office, Blairmore), a hotel, an Established church (erected in 1839), and a public school with accommodation for 44 children. Tannahill's exquisite song, *The Lass o' Arrantecnie* (published in 1807), has made this village famous. 'The poet,' says Hugh Macdonald, 'in leaving the solitary hostel, or rather hut, had left his heart behind him, and on returning to his loom—for it was at the loom alone his muse found happiest utterance—he gave vent to his passion in the lay.' Years afterwards he revisited the spot, only to find his 'sweet lass' the 'gawcy' wife of a fisherman, the mother of twins and no end of kilted urchins. The *quoad sacra* parish of Ardentiny was erected in 1874 out of Kilmun and Lochgoilhead. Pop. (1891) 219.

Ardeonaig (Gael. 'Eonog's height'), a hamlet on the right or southern shore of Loch Tay, in Kenmore parish, Perthshire, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Killin village, and $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Comrie by Glen Lednock. Backed by Meall na Creige (2683 feet), Creag Uigeach (2840), and Ruadh Bheul (2237), it stands near the mouth of the Finglen Burn, and has a ferry over the loch, a post office under Killin, an inn, a Gaelic Free church, and a public school with accommodation for 51 children.

Ardersier (*Ardrosser* in 1266—Gael. *ard-ros-iar*, 'high western promontory'), a coast parish at the NE corner of Inverness-shire. It contains the fishing village of CAMPELTOWN, Fort George, and has a post office of its own name, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; $\frac{3}{4}$ mile beyond its southern border is Fort George station on the Highland railway, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Inverness, and $15\frac{1}{2}$ W by S of Forres. Bounded W and N by the Moray Firth, E by Nairnshire, and S by Petty, Ardersier has an extreme length from E to W of 4, and a breadth from N to S of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its land area is 3824 acres. The shore is sandy and flat (etymology notwithstanding), and to the W has suffered considerable encroachment from the sea; inland the surface is generally tame, nowhere attaining 200 feet of altitude above sea-level. In 1792 the rental of this parish amounted to only £365, but a vast improvement has been carried out, acres on acres of barren moor or moss having been added to the arable area since 1845, whilst in the E an extensive tract is occupied by woods. The roads are exceedingly good, that to Fort George being one of General Wade's. Antiquities are the hill-fort of Tom Mhoit or Cromal (Cromwell's Mount), behind Campbeltown, and the 'Cabbac Stone,' 6 feet high and 3 broad, on the boundary with Nairnshire, which tradition asserts was reared over a chieftain slain at Inverness at an affray about a cheese; and a curious sword and spear head—Roman according to Roy—have also been discovered. Anciently divided between the Bishops of Ross and the Knights of St John of Jerusalem, Ardersier is now chiefly the property of the Earl of Cawdor, one other landowner holding an annual value of between £100 and £500, and three of from £20 to £50. It is in the presbytery of Nairn and synod of Moray; and its church, built in 1802, with over 500 sittings, stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NE of Campbeltown. The minister's income is £181. There are, besides, a Free church, a U.P. church at Campbeltown, and a public school, which in 1891 had accommodation for 200 children, an average attendance of 111, and a grant of £93, 9s. Valuation, £4386, 8s. 10d. Pop. (1831) 1268, (1861) 1239, (1871) 1284, (1881) 2084, (1891) 1914.—*Ord. Sur.* sh. 84, 1876.

Ardessee, a hamlet of W Ross-shire, 8 miles from its post-village, Ullapool.

Ardfern, a hamlet of SW Lorn, Argyllshire, near the head and on the W side of Loch Craignish, with a post and telegraph office under Kilmartin money-order office.

Ardgartan, a small low promontory on the western shore and near the head of Loch Long, in Lochgoilhead parish, NE Cowal, Argyllshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Arrochar. In the grounds of Ardgartan House, traversed by Croe Water, is a splendid Spanish chestnut, the finest perhaps in Scotland, being 90 feet high, and girthing 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet at 5 feet from the ground.

Ardgay, a village of Kincardine parish, N Ross-shire, near the southern shore and the head of Dornoch Firth, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Bonar Bridge. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, a good hotel, and the Bonar Bridge station on the Highland railway. A public hall was presented by Lady Ross of Balnagown, Jan. 30, 1892, the day after that on which Bonar bridge was swept away.

Ardgour, a hamlet and district of N Argyllshire. The hamlet lies near Corran Ferry, at the nexus between Loch Linnhe and Loch Eil, 10 miles SSW of Fort William; and has a post office with money order, savingsbank, and telegraph departments. A church, erected here in 1829 by the parliamentary commissioners, is in the *quoad sacra* parish of Ballachulish and Ardgour; its minister receives £60 a-year from the Royal Bounty grant and £20 from heritors. Ardgour House is in the vicinity. The district is bounded N and E by Loch Eil, S by Morven, SW by Sunart, and NW by Loch Shiel. Its length, from NNE to SSW, is 13 miles; and its breadth varies from 8 to 11 miles. Its surface is wildly upland, and culminates in Sgòr Dhomhail (Scur-Donald) at an altitude of 2915 feet above sea-level. A parliamentary road commences on its E coast at Corran Ferry, and goes south-westward through its interior to Strontian. Pop. of registration district of Corran of Ardgour (1891) 277.

Ardgowan, a mansion in Inverkip parish, Renfrewshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Wemyss Bay, a fine building pleasantly situated on a kind of peninsula a little north of the village. It is the seat of Sir Michael Robert Shaw-Stewart, Bart., of Greenock and Blackhall, owner of 24,951 acres in the shire, of £14,501 gross annual value (£573 quarries), seventh Baronet since 1667, and seventeenth in direct male descent from Sir John Stewart, a natural son of Robert III., who received from his father three charters of the lands of Ardgowan, Blackhall, and Auchingoun, in 1390, 1396, and 1404. Erected early in this century from designs by Cairncross, and raised on a terrace overhanging the Firth of Clyde, the present mansion is a large and stately building, screened in the rear by noble trees, but in front commanding a wide, unbroken, prospect over the waters and mountain-flanks of the firth. Near it stand the private Episcopal chapel of St Michael and All Angels, and the remains of an ancient square tower, a fragment of that Castle of Inverkip which was held by the English in the days of Robert Bruce. Thither fled Sir Philip de Mowbray, after his rout by the Black Douglas. He came by Kilmarnock and Kilwinning, thence to Ardgowan—

‘SYNE thro’ the Largis him alane,
Till Inverkip,’

which (Barbour adds) was ‘stufyt all with Inglessmen,’ who received him ‘in daynté.’

Ardhullary. See ARDCULLARIE.

Ardincaple, a stately mansion in Row parish, Dumbartonshire, on the N side of Gareloch, amid fine lawns, grand old woods, and swelling ridges, immediately W of Helensburgh. It is in the old Scottish Baronial style, chiefly somewhat modern, but partly very ancient, perhaps as old as the first half of the 12th century; and it was long, from time to time, the residence of the Dowager-Duchesses of Argyll, but is now a seat of Sir James Colquhoun of Luss, Bart.

Ardincaple, a mansion in Seil island, Argyllshire. It was long the residence of Dr Archibald Smith, the writer on Peru.

Ardinning, a lake in Strathblane parish, Stirlingshire. It covers about 60 acres, and is unadorned.

Ardkenneth, a place in South Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It has a Roman Catholic chapel, built in 1829, repaired in 1869, and containing 400 sittings.

Ardkinglass, an estate, with a mansion, and with vestiges of an ancient castle, in Lochgoilhead parish, Argyllshire. The mansion stands on the shore of Loch Fyne, at the mouth of Glenkinglass, in the southern vicinity of Kairndow, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Inverary. It succeeded a previous mansion destroyed by fire about 1840, and has very beautiful grounds with luxuriant gardens, old lawns, bosky banks, stately woods, and picturesque overhanging mountains. The ancient castle is of unascertained date, but is known to have been repaired in 1586, and was a strong fortalice, with three separate towers, connected by curtain walls, and arranged round a court; but stood in such a low situation that it could not resist a regular investment. An old residence of its owners, a precursor of the modern mansion, but now represented by only slight vestiges, stood, at a small distance from the castle, on a more commanding site.

Ardlamont, a headland at the extreme S of Kilfinan parish, in Cowal district, Argyllshire, separating Loch Fyne from the Kyles of Bute, and terminating $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of the nearest point of the Isle of Bute. On the point, embosomed amid beautiful woods, stands Ardlamont House, the seat of the representatives of the ancient clan Lamont.

Ardle. See AIRDLE.

Ardler, a railway station on the SW border of Forfarshire, on the Scottish Midland section of the Caledonian system. It has a post office under Meigle. Ardler became a *quoad sacra* parish in 1885.

Ardlui, a locality in Arrochar parish, Dumbartonshire, at the influx of Falloch Water to the head of Loch Lomond, 8 miles N of Tarbet. It has an hotel and a small pier where the Loch Lomond steamers lie; and also a station on the West Highland railway. The tract around it is a small expanse of rich low strath; the hills around it are covered with foliage, and streaked with torrents or waterfalls; the mountains in the distance sweep round the horizon, in a curving series of alpine peaks; and the whole scene is a most diversified, picturesque, sublime amphitheatre. Ardlui House stands near the water, and is a recent erection.

Ardlussa, an estate, with a mansion, in Jura, Argyllshire. The mansion stands on the coast of the Sound of Jura, 10 miles SW of the mouth of Loch Crinan, and was built nearly 50 years ago by Lord Colonsay (1793-1874), Lord President; its present proprietor, Walter Macfarlane, Esq., owns 17,939 acres, valued at £903 per annum. The grounds are of great beauty, enriched for several miles with either natural wood or recent plantations. A stream, running through the estate to the sea, abounds in sea-trout; and a public school is on the estate.

Ardmacknish. See ARDMUCKNISH.

Ardmaddy Castle, a seat of the Earl of Breadalbane in Kilbrandon parish, Argyllshire. It stands on a conically-shaped rising ground, at the head of a fine small bay, opposite Seil island, 2 miles N of Loch Melford and 12 SSW of Oban; commands an extensive prospect of sea and land; is a very old building; belonged to the Macdougals, Lords of Lorn; passed to the Campbells of the House of Argyll; was occupied and enlarged by Lord Neil Campbell, who suffered during the persecution in the time of Charles II., and was put to death in 1685; became the residence of Colin Campbell, the father of the late Marquis of Breadalbane, and was the birthplace of the marquis. Pennant was hospitably entertained at it, and wrote, in the form of a vision in it, his reflections on the social condition of the Highlands. A small cave, in the face of a rock, at a short distance from it, is pointed out as a hiding-place of Lord Neil Campbell in the time of the persecution. A belt of sea, called Clachan Sound, separates the mainland around the castle from Seil island; resembles the Kyles of Bute, but is narrower,

more diversified, and more richly scenic; and is spanned at the narrowest part by a one-arched bridge.

Ardmair, a hamlet in the W of Ross-shire, 3 miles NW of its post-town Ullapool.

Ardmarnock, an estate, with a modern mansion (D. N. Nicol, Esq.), in Kilfinan parish, Argyllshire, on the E side of Loch Fyne, $\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Tarbert.

Ardmeanach, or **Mullbuie**, a broad-based, extensive, ridgy hill, in the counties of Nairn, Ross, and Cromarty, forming the backbone of the Black Isle, or peninsula between the Beaully and Moray Firths and the Firth of Cromarty. Its length, from SW to NE, is about 16 miles, its culminating point is 838 feet above sea-level, and its breadth is proportionate far more to its length than to its height. It has a gently-featured outline, and commands very pleasant prospects. Its surface, for the most part, was long allowed to lie half waste, chiefly in a state of commonage, yet was all pronounced, by good judges, at an early period of the age of agricultural improvement to be, every yard of it, available for the plough, with generally as good soil as the low grounds of the peninsula. Its prevailing rock is the Devonian sandstone, and has been extensively quarried.

Ardmellie, an estate, with a mansion, in Marnoch parish, Banffshire. The mansion commands an extensive view of the valley of the Deveron, and the grounds have fine features both of natural beauty and of artificial embellishment. Catstone or Ardmellie Hill (851 feet), the highest ground in the parish, is steep and wooded. Limestone abounds, and formerly was worked.

Ardmergie. See ARDVERKIE.

Ardmichael, a small rocky promontory, with a burying place, on the W side of South Uist island, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, about 12 miles SSW of the south-western extremity of Benbecula.

Ardmiddle, a hill 557 feet high, and a mansion in Turriff parish, N Aberdeenshire. The mansion is the seat of John A. Milne, Esq., owner of 1100 acres, valued at £1070 per annum. Ardmiddle public school, with accommodation for 100 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 64, and a grant of £63, 4s.

Ardmile, a small rocky promontory on the W side of South Uist island, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, 4 miles S of Ardmichael.

Ardmillan, a mansion, which is now the property of the trustees of the late Patrick Playfair, Esq., in Girvan parish, Ayrshire, on the coast, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Girvan. The estate connected with it is believed to be rich in copper ore.

Ardminish, a bay about the middle of the E side of Gigha island, Argyllshire. It has good anchorage in depths of 6 or 7 fathoms, and is frequented by vessels bringing coal, lime, and other imports, and taking away the produce of the island. Ardminish Point, flanking its N side, with the church and manse of Gigha parish at its head, is identified by Skene with Arddanesbi, the scene of a naval battle in 719.

Ardmore, a beautiful wooded promontory in Carlross parish, Dumbartonshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Helensburgh. It connects with the mainland by a narrow isthmus; projects about a mile into the Firth of Clyde; expands into a circular head 103 feet high and about 5 furlongs in diameter, popularly called the Hill of Ardmore; consists elsewhere of flat alluvium; and, at low water, is flanked only by bare silt or foreshore. It forms a fine feature in the magnificent lagoon-like scenery of the Firth. Ardmore House stands upon it, amid pleasant grounds, and is a good modern mansion.

Ardmore, a headland in Kildaiton parish, Argyllshire, on the E side of Islay island, 5 miles S by E of the S end of the Sound of Islay.

Ardmore, a headland in the N of Mull, Argyllshire, nearly opposite Ardnamurchan village.

Ardmore, a headland in the W of Skye, Inverness-shire, in the Vaternish section of Duirinish parish. A hostile party of the Macdonalds of Uist once landed here, while many of the Macleods of Skye were assembled in the adjacent church of Trumpan, and they suddenly

surrounded the church, set fire to it, and destroyed nearly all who were in it; but, before they got back to their boats, a great number of them were slain by a body of avengers pouring down upon them at the call of 'the fiery cross.'

Ardmore, a harbour in Edlertown parish, Ross-shire, at the head of the Dornoch Firth, near Tain. It affords accommodation to vessels of 150 tons' burthen, and is frequented in summer by smacks and schooners, chiefly with cargoes of coal and lime.

Ardmucknish, a beautiful bay in Ardchattan parish, Argyllshire, at the mouth of Loch Etive, and extending from the vicinity of Conuel Ferry $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward to the neck of the peninsula of Lochmell. It has a finely pebbled beach, is environed with picturesque scenery, and commands noble views. The vestiges of the reputed ancient capital of Dalriada are on its E side, and will be noticed under BLEGONITUM.

Ardnacalloch, a promontory and a bay at the E end of Ulva island, in Argyllshire. The promontory exhibits, to the S, a remarkably well-defined natural bust of an old woman, and it takes thence its name, which signifies 'the old wife's point.'

Ardnacross, a small bay and an estate in Campbeltown parish, Argyllshire, 6 miles NNE of Campbeltown. The bay affords anchorage to vessels.

Ardnadam. See SANDEANK.

Ardnafuaran, a village in Arasaig district, Inverness-shire. It is the same as Arasaig village, having merged its own proper name in the name of the district. A church dedicated to the Virgin Mary stood at it in the Romish times, and has left some remains.

Ardnamurchan (Gael. *ard-na-mor-chian*, 'height of the great headland'), a hamlet and a promontory in Argyllshire, and a parish partly also in Inverness-shire. The hamlet lies on the southern coast of the promontory, 7 miles NNW of Tobermory, and has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments, under Ardgour. The promontory forms the extreme NW of the mainland of Argyllshire, as also the most westerly point of the mainland of Scotland, lying 137 miles in a straight line W of the mouth of the South Esk river in Forfarshire; was, from the time of Somersel till the reign of James VI., the boundary between the two great divisions of the Hebrides, Northern and Southern; and has a bluff, wild character, more notable in aspect and more terrible to mariners than any other headland between Cape Wrath and the Mull of Kintyre. The neighbouring rugged shores have been the destruction of multitudes of vessels, and the seaboard here, and onward on either side for many miles, is all mountainous, bleak, and wild. A dreary spot in a creek, at its uttermost point, contains the graves of shipwrecked seamen. A castle-like lighthouse was built here in 1849, at a cost of £13,738; its fixed light, 180 feet above sea-level, is visible at the distance of 18 nautical miles.

The parish contains also the post office villages or hamlets of Kinlochmoidart, Arasaig, and Strontian, and comprises the districts of Ardnamurchan proper, SFNART, MOIDART, ARASAIG, and South MORAE—the first and second in Argyllshire, the three others in Inverness-shire. It is bounded N by Loch Morar and the river Morar, which separate it from North Morar in Glenelg; NE by the Ardgour, Lochel, and Locharchaig districts of Kilmallie; E by Kingerloch district of Loch Lismore; S by Loch Sunart, which separates it from Morvern; W and NW by the Atlantic. Its greatest length, measured along the shortest practicable line of road, cannot be less than 70 miles, its greatest breadth is about 40 miles, and its area is estimated at 216,969 acres of land and 73,280 of water. 'Every consideration of convenience,' say the Boundary Commissioners, 'points to the desirability of dividing so great a parish into two'—the Argyllshire portion and the Inverness-shire portion. They had not power to do so, however, but expressed approval of it. Ardnamurchan proper is a peninsula, connecting at the E end by an isthmus with the Sunart district; measures about 16 miles in length, and about 7 in breadth; and consists chiefly of a range of comparatively low hills,

running from E to W. Kilchoan or Ardnamurchan harbour, adjacent to the hamlet, is of great utility, serving for communication with Tobermory and with vessels coming up the Sound of Mull, and used to be an occasional resort of craft conveying cattle from some of the Western islands to the mainland. Glenmore Bay, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of the first narrows within Loch Sunart, also affords good anchorage. Much of the seaboard, for about 10 miles from the vicinity of the promontory eastward, consists of well-cultivated arable land. The hills along the same distance consist of paleozoic rocks, with a carpeting of very fine pastoral soil. The seaboard farther E includes scanty patches of cultivated land, and the hills there consist chiefly of gneiss or mica-slate rocks, partly bare, and partly covered with coarse herbage. The isthmus, at the eastern end, is partly flat moss, and partly low or sloping ground. Wood is scanty throughout the western half, but occurs in considerable masses in the S of the eastern. The districts of Ardnamurchan proper and Sunart are computed to comprise 4134 Scotch acres of arable land, 10,371 of pasture, 2598 of woods, 2690 of flat moss, 67,472 of moor, and 488 of lakes, or, altogether, 87,753 Scotch acres. Alexander Macdonald, a Gaelic poet of last century, was a native; a curious episode in the history of the parish was the foundation in 1723 of the mining village of New York by Sir Alexander Murray of Stanhope. Chambers' *Domestic Annals* (iii. 474-476) gives a full account of the failure of his plans. Nine proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, and five of between £100 and £500. Ancient Caledonian remains, in the form of a rude altar with a circle of small stones, and known as Fingal's Griddle, are at Ormsaigmore in Ardnamurchan proper; and at Ormsaigbeg is a very small ruined tower, called the Black Castle of the Minstrels. So late as the year 1630, Ardnamurchan proper was a parish of itself, called Kilchoan, from a church dedicated to St Coan; while the other districts formed the separate parish of Eileinfinnan or Island-Finnan, named after a beautiful little island in Loch Sheil. The districts of Arasaig and South Morar also, in more ancient times, formed a third parish, called Kilmorie or Kilmorie, and had its church at Ardnafuaran, now the village of Arasaig. Ardnamurchan parish is in the presbytery of Mull and synod of Argyll; its minister's income is £246. The parish church stands at the hamlet, was built in 1830, and contains 600 sittings. Most of the *quoad sacra* parishes of Acharacle and Strontian, and the missions of Achonish, Arasaig, and Laga, are within the civil parish, whose own *quoad sacra* portion had 1885 inhabitants in 1891. There are Free churches of Ardnamurchan and Strontian, Episcopal churches of Kinlochmoidart and Strontian, and Roman Catholic churches of Arasaig, Glenfinnan, Mingarry, and Glenuig; and the *quoad sacra* parish has nine schools under its board—four of them in Argyll, viz., Kilchoan, Kilmorie, Ardnish, and Achonish; and five in Inverness-shire, viz., Glenfinnan, Glenuig, Arasaig (Soc.), Arasaig (R. Cath.), and Polish (Soc.). With total accommodation for 514 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 218, and grants amounting to £332, 9s. Valuation, £19,455, 9s. 10d., of which £10,372 is in Argyllshire. Pop., mostly Gaelic-speaking (1831) 5669, (1861) 4700, (1871) 4259, (1881) 4102, (1891) 3636, of whom 2634 were in Argyllshire.

Ardnave, a headland in Kilchoman parish, Argyllshire, on the W side of Islay, opposite Nave island, 14 miles SW of Ruvalil Point.

Ardneil Brake, a mural cliff at Farland Head in West Kilbride parish, Ayrshire, 6 miles NNW of Ardrossan. It rises to the height of about 300 feet, extends in a straight line to a length of about 1 mile, and is separated from the sea-margin only by a very narrow belt of verdant land. A crescent-shaped bay here forms good bathing ground.

Ardnoe, a headland at the left side of the mouth of Loch Crinan, in Argyllshire.

Ardo, an estate in Bauchory-Devenick parish, Kincardineshire, 1 mile S of Cults station.

Ardoch, a hill 700 feet high in the W of Dalry parish, Kirkcudbrightshire.

Ardoch, a rivulet in Kilmadock parish, Perthshire, rising in the Braes of Doune, and running about 7 miles, chiefly south-south-eastward, to the Teith in the neighbourhood of Doune.

Ardoch (Gael. *ardach*, 'high field'), a parish of S Perthshire, containing (1) the village of Greenloaning, with a U.P. church, and a station on the Caledonian, 10 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles NNE of Stirling, and 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Perth; and (2) the village of Braco, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Greenloaning station. Standing on the right bank of the Knaik, Braco was feued in 1815, and now has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, 2 inns, a grain mill, the parish church (1780; 600 sittings), a Free church, and a public school. The present bridge over the Knaik at the mill is comparatively new, and replaced one of General Wade's bridges still standing beside it.

The parish, formed in 1855 out of Muthill, Dunblane, and Blackford, is bounded NW and NE by Muthill, E by Blackford, and SE and SW by Dunblane. It has an extreme length from NNW to SSE of 9 miles, an extreme width from E to W of 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and an area of 22,280 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 153 are water. The ALLAN, in its upper course, flows 7 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles west-south-westward through Ardoch, and here receives the KNAIK, Bullie, Millstone, Muckle, and several other burns; its valley sinks to less than 400 feet above sea-level. From it the surface rises northward to 678 feet on Orchill Muir, 525 near Faulds, 879 on Cambushinnie Hill, 1334 on Cromlet, 1496 on a summit marking the western boundary, 1215 on Meall a' Choire Raibhaich, and 1117 on Meall a' Choire Odhar—southward to 640 feet near Tarneybuckle, and over 1000 on the western slope of the Corums, this southern wing comprising part of SHERIFF MUIR. Along the Allan lie considerable haughs, with, for the most part, a good light loamy soil, incumbent on sand or gravel; the rest of the parish is mainly hilly and moorish. The Braco estate was formerly held by a branch of the Grahams, descendants of the third Earl of Montrose, and baronets from 1625 to 1689; and its old mansion, Braco Castle, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of the village, is the seat of Lieut.-Col. Geo. K. McCallum, owner in the shire of 1833 acres, valued at £1155 per annum. Ardoch House, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Braco village, is a modern seat of Colonel Home Drummond, who owns 24,930 acres, of a yearly value of £14,311; within its grounds, skirting the Knaik's left bank, and occupying the site of Lindum, a town of the Damnonii, is the celebrated Roman camp of Ardoch. Traces of numerous Caledonian entrenchments and hill-forts occur in such positions in its neighbourhood, as clearly to indicate that the Roman forces here made a strong and prolonged lodgment, and encountered a vigorous resistance. The camp is one of the best preserved of its kind in Britain; it challenges attention also for its large dimensions; and it has been the subject of voluminous controversy on questions respecting the scene of the great Battle of the GRAMIANS. It consists of four parts—the station or citadel, the procastrium, the great camp, and the small camp. The station or citadel, designed as a permanent work, crowns an eminence near the E bank of the river, and rising 50 feet above its waters, has a quadrangular outline, with the four sides nearly facing the cardinal points; measures, within the entrenchments, 420 feet by 375; had four gates, three of which can still be clearly distinguished; was defended, on the N and E, by five deep ditches and six ramparts, on the S by two fosse and a deep morass, on the W by the steep descent to the Knaik, and by two fosse between that descent and the river's bank; and contained a pretorium and accommodation for 1200 men. The pretorium, for the general and his staff, is a regular square of 60 feet, situated on rising ground to the rear of the station; appears to have been enclosed by a stone wall; and now contains foundations of a building, 30 feet by 27, thought to have been a post-Roman place of worship. The procastrium adjoins the N side of the station; seems to have been a subsequent work, and strongly fortified; had an

oblong form, 1060 by 900 feet; possessed accommodation for 4000 men; and, excepting vestiges of two gates on the N and the S, has all been obliterated by the plough. The great camp, lying NW of the procestrum, has an approximately oblong outline, 2800 feet by 1950; could accommodate 26,000 men; seems to have had on the northern part of the E side considerable outworks, comprising a square redoubt and a clivale; is diametrically traversed by the old road from Stirling to Crieff; and can now be traced by vestiges in only its eastern half. The small camp lies on the W of the great camp, or rather lies one-half within that camp, and one-half westward; occupies higher ground than the other works; appears to have been constructed after the great camp ceased to be used; measures 1910 feet by 1340; could accommodate 12,000 men; and is still in a comparatively perfect condition (R. Stuart's *Caledonia Romana*, pp. 187-194). Ardoch is in the presbytery of Auchterarder, in the synod of Perth and Stirling, and its living is worth £138. The public schools at Braco and Greenloaning, with respective accommodation for 153 and 75 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 67 and 52, and grants of £61, 6s. 6d. and £42, 2s. Pop. (1861) 1418, (1871) 1316, (1881) 1102, (1891) 959.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 39, 1869.

Ardonald, a place with great limeworks (now abandoned) in Cairnie parish, Aberdeenshire. The quantity of calcined lime turned out here, in the years 1818-1841, was 620,269 bolls, sold for £69,771.

Ardovie, a place in Brechin parish, Forfarshire, 2½ miles SSW of Brechin.

Ardoyne, a hill, 600 feet above sea-level, in the N of Oyne parish, Aberdeenshire. It commands an extensive view.

Ardpatrick, a hamlet and a headland at the N side of the mouth of West Loch Tarbert, and at the SW extremity of Knapdale, Argyllshire. The hamlet is 10 miles SW of Tarbert, under which it has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments. The headland is said to have been the landing-place of St Patrick, on his way from Ireland to Iona.

Ardrihsaig (Gael. *ard-driscach*, 'height full of briars'), a seaport village in South Knapdale parish, and a *quoad sacra* parish partly also in Glassary parish, Argyllshire. The village stands on the W side of Loch Gilp, at the entrance of the Crinan Canal, 2 miles SSW of Lochgilphead. The entrepôt of the canal, the port of Lochgilphead, and the centre of an extensive herring fishery, it mainly consists of plain-looking cottages with a few neat villas, pleasantly situated on a green hill-side; and it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, several hotels, a very commodious harbour, with a pier and a slip, an Established church (1860), a Free church, a Board school to accommodate 238 children, and an Episcopal school. The vessels passing through the Crinan Canal occasion considerable business, several steamers daily in summer arriving and departing from and to Greenock; large quantities of sheep and cattle are shipped; and during the fishing season about 170 fishing boats are in service. Queen Victoria and Prince Albert landed here 18 Aug. 1847, on their way from Inverary to Arderverkie. Pop. of village (1871) 1177, (1881) 1224, (1891) 1258. The *quoad sacra* parish, constituted in 1875, is 7 miles long and 4 broad, and is in the presbytery of Inverary and synod of Argyll; its minister's income is £195.

Ardross, a hamlet and a mansion of NE Ross-shire. The hamlet, in Rosskeen parish, lies in the valley of the Alness river, 5 miles NNW of Alness, under which it has a post office. Its public school, with accommodation for 114 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 51, and a grant of £63, 2s. Ardross Castle is the seat of Sir Kenneth James Matheson, Bart., who is owner of 220,433 acres in the shire, valued at £20,246 per annum. The Ardross estates extend between Alness and Rorie Waters westward into the uplands along the sources of these streams, the former fastness of the clan Ross; they have at various times undergone vast improvements.

Ardross, an ancient barony in Elie parish, Fife. It comprised the greater part of the parish; belonged to a family of the name of Dischington; passed, about the beginning of the 17th century, to Sir William Scott; and went, about the close of that century, to Sir William Anstruther. The ruins of its mansion, or old baronial castle, still stand on the coast, about 1 mile ENE of Elie village.

Ardrossan (Gael. *ard-rois-an*, 'highish foreland'), a seaport town and watering-place of Cunningham, N Ayrshire, 1 mile WNW of Saltcoats. By water it is 13 miles E by N of Brodick in Arran, 14½ NNW of Ayr, and 87 NE of Belfast; and by a section of the Glasgow and South-Western railway it is 11 miles SSE of Largs terminus, and 6 WSW of Kilmanning Junction. Lying on the northern shore of Ayr Bay, at the entrance of the Firth of Clyde, Ardrossan has its own little North and South Bays, parted by the low headland of Castle Craigs, which got its name from the great stronghold of the Montgomeries. By them acquired about 1376 through marriage with the sole heiress of Sir Hugh de Eglinton, this castle, according to tradition, had been the scene of one of Wallace's exploits, who by firing the neighbouring hamlet lured thither its English garrison to quench the flames, slew them as they returned, and cast their bodies into a dungeon, thereafter known as 'Wallace's Larder.' Cromwell is said to have demolished it; and its scanty but picturesque remains comprise only the angle of one tower, the vaulted kitchen, and two arched cellars, with a broad stepped passage leading down to them. On the Cannon Hill, hard by, stood the old parish church, overwhelmed by the storm of 1691; a tombstone in its kirkyard is sculptured with two escutcheons, one of them bearing the lion rampant of Scotland, and is popularly associated with a warlock baron, the 'Deil o' Ardrossan.' It was believed that 'were any portion of the mould to be taken from under this stone and cast into the sea, forthwith would ensue a dreadful tempest to devastate sea and land.' There is also upon an adjoining eminence a handsome monument, erected to a deceased philanthropic gentleman who during the later years of his life interested himself deeply in the various institutions connected with the place.

The town, which arose as an adjunct of the harbour, consists of wide, well-built streets, crossing each other at right angles, with a handsome crescent to the E, a good many tasteful villas, and the Pavilion, an occasional residence of the Earl of Eglinton. Erected into a burgh of barony in 1846, it partially adopted the General Police Act prior to 1871, and is governed by a provost, 2 junior magistrates, and 6 commissioners. The gas and water supply are under their control. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland, the Royal, the Union, and the Clydesdale Bank, a large hotel, a bathing establishment, the Railway Hotel, a neat town-hall, a reading-room, a lifeboat institution, and two Friday papers, the *Ardrossan and Saltcoats Herald* (1853) and the *Ayrshire Weekly News* (1859), and an Agricultural Society. Places of worship are the New Parish or *quoad sacra* church (1844; 840 sittings) with a spire, a Free church (1859) also with a spire, a U.P. church (1857), an Evangelical Union church (1861), and St Andrew's Episcopal church (1875). Two public schools, with respective accommodation for 138 and 565 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 126 and 407, and grants of £106, 12s. and £413, 14s. There is also an academy, with accommodation for 254 pupils.

The harbour was founded on 31 July 1806 by Hugh, twelfth Earl of Eglinton (1740-1819), who the same year was raised to the British peerage as Baron Ardrossan. Steam-tugs were then unknown, and the navigation of the Clyde above the Cumbræ was often baffling and tedious, above Port Glasgow open to none but very small craft, so his lordship's idea was to make this the port of Glasgow, with which it should be connected by the GLASGOW, PAISLEY, AND JOHNSTONE CANAL (now a branch of the Glasgow and South-Western railway). Accordingly the works were projected on a scale so

great as would have rendered them almost the finest in Britain; but, far exceeding the estimates, they were brought to a standstill in 1815, over £100,000 having been then expended, and Telford and Rennie requiring £300,000 more. They were not resumed till 1833, when the thirteenth earl came of age, and then were completed on a greatly reduced though still considerable scale, the total cost being upwards of £200,000, and the harbour comprising two tidal basins of 6 and 18 acres, and a wet-dock of 4 acres, with 19 feet at high water over the lock-sill. In 1856, however, it was found necessary to provide greater depth of water, and to accommodate, in addition to the extensive traffic from the Glasgow and South-Western railway, the traffic from the Caledonian railway upon the opening, in 1858, of the Lanarkshire and Ayrshire line to Ardrossan. The Ardrossan Harbour Company was accordingly formed with a capital of £300,000, Lord Eglinton himself taking £200,000 worth of shares, and an additional dock (the Eglinton) has been built, with an area of about 10 acres and a depth of 27 feet, where the largest vessels can lie afloat at all times. An outer tidal basin has also been formed, about 5 acres in extent, with a depth of 18 feet at low water and of 27 feet at high. These alterations, with other improvements, including a wide entrance channel and extensive quay accommodation, and the construction of a new breakwater, 1320 feet in length, outside the harbour, make the port capable of berthing the largest vessels. The new dock was opened 4 April 1892. The harbour is well supplied with hydraulic and steam hoists and cranes for loading and discharging; whilst a lighthouse with white flashing light stands at the NW point of the outer breakwater, and a beacon tower on sheltering Horse Island, a low and grassy islet of some 12 acres, lying $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the WNW. At first a sub-port of Irvine, Ardrossan was constituted a head port in 1858, and at the close of 1891 had on its register 71 sailing vessels of 9894, and 8 steamers of 6294 tons. The following table gives the tonnage of vessels that entered and cleared from and to foreign and colonial ports and coastwise, in cargoes and also—for the last three years—in ballast:—

	Entered.			Cleared.		
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.
1864	76,038	934	76,972	268,385	26,238	294,623
1869	66,224	2,804	69,028	247,798	19,341	267,139
1874	273,135	29,921	303,056	276,167	20,583	296,750
1880	349,167	11,126	360,293	354,091	10,822	364,913
1891	320,278	7,483	327,761	323,357	8,559	331,916

Of the total, 3119 vessels of 327,761 tons, that entered in 1891 783 of 169,141 tons were steamers, 2073 of 143,776 tons were in ballast, and 3084 of 308,294 tons were coasters: whilst the total, 3134 of 331,916 tons of those that cleared included 954 steamers of 188,875 tons, 1217 vessels in ballast of 109,781 tons, and 3062 coasters of 305,643 tons. The principal foreign trade is with France, the United States, Spain, and Portugal; and imports are timber, grain, limestone, iron ore, and pyrites; exports being coal and pig-iron. A floating dock and a patent slip can each accommodate ships of 500, and a graving-dock ships of 1500, tons; and here in 1891 five steel sailing vessels, of 1847 tons net, were built. Fishing employs 113 boats of 516 tons; and there are several timber yards, a large iron foundry, iron-works, besides sail-making, nail-making, and block and pump establishments. A grain market is held every Thursday, and a fair on the second Tuesday of June. Pop. (1837) 920, (1861) 3192, (1891) 5294.

The parish contains also the western portion of SALT-COATS. Bounded N by Dalry, E by Kilwinning, SE by Stevenston, SW by the Firth of Clyde, and W by West Kilbride, it has an extreme length from N to S of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a varying breadth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 7145 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 4357 $\frac{1}{2}$ are foreshore and 411 $\frac{1}{2}$ water. In 1891 the island of Little Cumbrae, which had previously formed part of the parish of Ardrossan

and of the registration district of West Kilbride, was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish and registration district of Cumbrae, Buteshire. Montfode and Stanley Burns descend to the shore to W and E of the town, and Caaf Water with its affluent the Munnock Burn traces most of the northern boundary; Knockward Loch ($1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$ furlong), in the NW, is the only lake of the interior. The surface has a general northward rise, attaining 208 feet near the ruins of Montfode or Montfort Castle ($1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of the town), 287 near Sorbie, 464 on Knockrivock Mount, 351 on Moss Mulloch, 500 near Drumcattle Mill, 356 near Low Dykehead, 536 near Coalhill, and 794 on the cairn-crowned Knockward Hills. The rocks are chiefly of the Carboniferous formation, including coal and ironstone, neither of them worked, and excellent limestone and sandstone. Trap rocks, too, at the town, eruptive through the Carboniferous strata, were largely quarried for the breakwater. The soil is generally light and sandy between the shore and the foot of the hills, and a stiffish clay on the uplands, but almost everywhere has been long and highly cultivated. Much the largest proprietor is the Earl of EGLINTON, owner in the shire of 23,631 acres of an annual value of £49,551; but 4 other landowners hold within Ardrossan a yearly value of £500 and upwards, 25 of between £100 and £500, 46 of from £50 to £100, and 114 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Irvine and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, the civil parish is divided between two *quoad sacra* parishes—New Parish, consisting of the town, and Ardrossan parish, including all the rest, together with a bit of West Kilbride. Ardrossan parish has its church at Salcoats, a living worth £359 per annum, and a population (1891) of 4549. There is also North Church, a chapel at Salcoats. Pop. (1881) 7687, (1891) 9897.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 22, 1865.

Ardrosser. See ARDESSER.

Ardscalpsie, a headland in the W of the Isle of Bute, flanking the N side of Scalpsie Bay.

Ardshiel, an estate, with a mansion, in the N of Appin, Argyllshire. The mansion stands to the W of Kentallen Bay, below the junction of Lochs Linne and Leven. Its owner led 300 Appin Highlanders in the rebellion of 1745, sharing prominently in the action of Culloden, and in the perils which followed. A cave in the side of a deep ravine, overhung by BENAVERE, was his hiding-place for about three months. The cave adjoins a rushing waterfall, which screens it so perfectly that no stranger coming near it would suspect its existence.

Ardtalnaig, a hamlet in Kenmore parish, Perthshire, on the SE shore of Loch Tay, $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Killin, with a post office. A public school at it, with accommodation for 84 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 20, and a grant of £31, 4s.

Ardtella, a small headland and a small bay in Kildalton parish, Argyllshire, near the middle of the E side of Islay.

Ardtoe, a small bay on the N side of Ardnarnachan proper, in Argyllshire.

Ardtornish. See ARTORNISH.

Ardtun, a grand basaltic headland in the SW of Mull, Argyllshire, projecting from the N side of the Ross of Mull, at the mouth of Loch Scriden. It is cut by a wild ravine, called the Goblins' Dell; it rises to a height of about 130 feet; it shows basaltic scarcely inferior to those of Staffa; and it includes a thin stratum of coal beneath its basalt, and three leaf beds aggregately about 6 feet thick, and probably belonging to the middle portion of the geognostic Tertiary period.

Ardullie, a seat of Sir Hector Munro of FOULIS, Bart., in the E of Ross-shire, 3 miles from Evanton.

Arduthie, an estate in the SE of Fetteresso parish, Kincardineshire. It was purchased about the year 1759 for £1500, and long prior to the year 1842 it yielded an annual rental of £1000. The New Town of Stonehaven was built upon it, and was long called the Links of Arduthie.

Ardvare, a sea-loch, with a small harbour in the NW of Assynt parish, Sutherland, immediately S of Kyle-Sku, and 9 miles by land NNE of Loch Inver.

Ardvarsar. See ARDAYASAR.

Ardvech, a place in the SW of Perthshire, near Loch-an-head.

Ardverikie (Gael. *ard-a-bhuiridh*, 'height of the roaring'), a mansion in Lochaber, Inverness-shire, on the SE side of Loch Laggan, 20½ miles WSW of Kingussie. It stands on a green flat, at the head of a small bay, flanked by a wooded promontory, and was built in 1840 by the Marquis of Abercorn. From 21 Aug. to 17 Sept. 1847 it was occupied by the Royal family, and is described by her Majesty as 'a comfortable shooting-jodge, with many nice rooms in it. Stags' horns are placed along the outside and in the passages, and the walls of the drawing-room and anteroom are occupied with beautiful drawings of stags by Landseer' (pp. 56-58 of the Queen's Journal). Ardverikie afterwards passed into the possession of Sir John W. Ramsden, Bart., of Byrom, Yorkshire; on 15 Oct. 1873 it was almost totally destroyed by fire, the damage being estimated at nearly £50,000. A mound in the garden is said to mark the grave of Fergus and four other ancient Scottish kings; the grounds around are said to have been a favourite hunting-field of many of the old Scottish monarchs; and in the lake are the Isle of Kings and the Isle of Dogs. The hunting grounds now comprise a great extent of moor and mountain, are some 40 miles round, and contain about 2000 red deer.

Ardvoirlich, an estate, with a mansion, the property of Col. John Stewart, R.A., in Comrie parish, Perthshire. The mansion stands on the S side of Loch Earn, 9½ miles W of Comrie village; is the Darnlinvarach of Sir Walter Scott's *Legend of Montrose*; and contains a large gem, seemingly white rock crystal, bound with four silver bands in very antique workmanship, and long regarded by the surrounding population as a talisman, giving to water in which it was dipped virtue for healing all sorts of diseases of cattle.

Ardvoirlich, a small bay in Arrochar parish, Dumbar-tonshire, on the W side of Loch Lomond.

Ardvreck. See ASSYNT.

Ardvrecknish, a mansion on the E side of Loch Awe, in Argyllshire, between Cladich and Port Soanachan.

Ardwall, an island at the SE entrance of Fleet Bay, S Kirkcubrightshire, ¼ mile from the mainland, to which it is joined at low water. It is 4 furlongs long by 2½ broad, rises to 109 feet, and, belonging to Borgue, is uninhabited. See also ANWOTH.

Ardwell, an estate, with a mansion and with various places of its own name, in Stoneykirk parish, Wigtonshire. It extends across the peninsula between Luce Bay and the Irish Sea; has its mansion about ½ mile from Luce Bay and 9 miles SE of Portpatrick; and contains Mains of Ardwell near the mansion, Ardwell Mill 2 miles to the N, Lower Ardwell 1½ mile to the WNW, High Ardwell 1½ mile to the W, South Ardwell 2 miles to the SW, and Ardwell Bay and Ardwell Point, on the Irish Sea, 2½ miles to the WSW. An ancient moat lies to the E of the mansion; and some remains of Caledonian antiquities, variously megalithic and military, are in other parts. Ardwell Inn has a post office with money order and telegraph departments, and an Established church; and Ardwell School, under the parochial board of Stoneykirk, has accommodation for 160 children.

Areoming, an estate in Kilpatrick-Durham parish, Kirkcubrightshire. An ancient church, unknown to record, was on it, and can still be traced in its sub-basement.

Argrennan, an estate with a mansion, in Tongland parish, Kirkcubrightshire. The mansion stands on the river Dee, 4 miles SW of Castle-Douglas. It was mainly built about the year 1818; bore, for some time, the name of Deebank; and is a spacious edifice, eight by woods.

Argyll, a district of Argyllshire, bounded NW and N by Loch Melford, Loch Avich, and the lower part of Loch Awe, which separate it from Lorn; E and SE by the upper reach of Loch Fyne, which separates it from Cowal; S by Loch Gilp and the Crinan Canal, which separate it from Knapdale; W by reaches and straits of the Atlantic

Ocean, which separate it from the Slate Islands and Mull. Its greatest length, from NE to SW, is 32 miles; and its greatest breadth is 15 miles. Abounding in grand romantic scenery of lake and mountain, particularly along Loch Fyne, up the course of the river Argy, and along the shores of Loch Awe, it is rich, too, in old historic associations; and as to both its contour and its history it answers well to its name, which is said to be derived from the Gaelic words *Airer-Gardhail*, signifying 'land of the Gael.' It has given the title of Earl since 1457, and the title of Duke since 1701, in the peerage of Scotland, and in that of the United Kingdom since 1892, to the noble family of Campbell.—One of the synods of the Church of Scotland bears the name of Argyll; meets at Oban, Rothesay, and Ardriahig in rotation; includes or superintends the presbyteries of Inverary, Dunoon, Kintyre, Islay and Jura, Lorn, Mull, and Albertaril, and, through these, exercises jurisdiction over all the old parishes of Argyllshire but one, and over five of the six old parishes of Buteshire. Within the bounds of this synod there were 11,735 communicants of the Church of Scotland in 1891, when the sums raised in Christian liberality by its 82 congregations amounted to £12,531.—There is also a Free Church synod of Argyll, meeting at Lochgilhead on the fourth Wednesday of April; comprising or superintending presbyteries of Dunoon, Inverary, Kintyre, Lorn, Mull, and Islay; and through these exercising jurisdiction over 60 congregations, with 15,021 members or adherents in 1891.—The Episcopal Church of Scotland has a diocese of Argyll and the Isles, comprehending 36 churches or mission stations. The cathedral is at Cumbrae, and the bishop's residence at North Ballachulish.—There is also a Roman Catholic see of Argyll and the Isles, comprising the counties of Argyll and Inverness, Bute, Arvan, and the Hebrides. In 1891 it had 25 priests, 2 convents, 21 missions, 38 churches, chapels, and stations, and 7 day schools.

Argyll's Bowling Green, a playful name for a range of mountains occupying the peninsula of Cowal, northward from the junction of Lochs Goil and Long. Precipitous, rugged, and lofty, they present a savage and sublime appearance, with mural cliffs, jumbled masses, and wildly jagged summits; and they form a magnificent background or sky-line to most of the splendid landscapes seen from the north-westward and the northward parts of the upper sweeps of the Firth of Clyde. Summits, from S to N, are Meall Daraich (474 feet), Clach Bheinn (1433), Tom Molach (1210), the Saddle (1704), Beinn Reithe (2141), Cnoc Coinnich (2497), and the Brack (2500).

Argyllshire, a maritime, western, Highland county, the second in Scotland as to size, the thirteenth as to population. It comprehends a very irregularly outlined portion of the mainland, and a large number of the Western islands, the chief being Mull, Islay, Jura, Tiree, Coll, Rum, Lismore, and Colonsay. Extending from the extremity of Lochell district 11 miles N of Fort William to the extremity of Kintyre, 14 miles NE of the Antrim coast of Ireland, it is only 22 miles short of being half as long as the entire mainland of Scotland. It is bounded N by Inverness-shire, E by Perthshire, Dumbar-tonshire, and the northern ramifications and main expanse of the Firth of Clyde, S by the Irish Sea, and W by the Atlantic Ocean. Of the three parishes partly in the county of Argyll and partly in that of Inverness, Arduanurehan remained untouched by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 (see ARDNAMURCHAN), but the portion of Kilmallie north of Loch Eil and the whole of Small Isles were transferred to Inverness-shire. The boundaries of several of the interior parishes were also rearranged, for which see the different articles throughout the work. The county outlines are so exceedingly irregular, the inter-sections of mainland by sea-lochs so numerous and great, and the interlockings of mainland and islands so intricate, that no fair notion of them can be formed except by examination of a map. No part of the interior is more than 12 miles distant from either the sea or some sea-loch. The entire circumference has been roughly stated at about 460 miles, and the proportion of

the circumference washed by sea-water has been roughly stated at about 340 miles; but both of these estimates, if all the sinuosities of outline and sea-coast and sea-loch shore be followed, are greatly short of the reality.

The coast has every variety of elevation and contour, from alluvial flat and gentle slope to mural cliff and towering mountain, but generally is bold and upland, and takes much of its character from long narrow interpenetrations of the land by the sea. Loch Moidart and Kinnaird Bay are in the extreme NW. Loch Sunart strikes far eastward between Ardnamurchan and Morvern. The Sound of Mull, with its 'thwarting tides,' separates Morvern from Mull, and sends off Loch Aline north-eastward from the vicinity of Artornish. Loch Linnhe strikes north-eastward from the SE end of the Sound of Mull, embosoms the Lismore and Shuna islands, sends off Loch Crean to the E, separates Morvern from Appin, and ramifies, at its NE end, into Lochs Eil and Leven, on the boundaries with Inverness-shire. The Firth of Lorn strikes southward from the junction of the Sound of Mull and Loch Linnhe, sends off Loch Etive far to the E, embosoms Kerrera island and the Slate islands, separates Lorn from Mull, and projects Loch Feochan into Lorn and Loch Melford between Lorn and Argyll. Loch Tua, Loch-na-Keal, and Loch Scriden deeply intersect the W side of Mull. A sound 7 miles wide separates Mull from Coll; and another sound, 3 miles wide, separates Coll from Tiree. The Sound of Jura opens from the S end of the Firth of Lorn, round Scarba island and past the Gulf of Corrievrekin; projects from its northern part Loch Craignish north-north-eastward, and Loch Crinan east-south-eastward; separates Knapdale from Jura and Islay; and is joined on the E side of its lower part by successively Loch Swein, Loch Killisport, and West Loch Tarbert, all nearly parallel to one another, and not far from parallel to the Sound of Jura itself. Another Loch Tarbert intersects Jura from the W, and nearly cuts it in two. The Sound of Islay, a narrow strait, separates Jura from Islay; and Loch Indal, striking with much breadth from the SW, penetrates Islay to the centre. The Firth of Clyde, in its greatest width or southernmost expanse, separates the southern part of Kintyre from Ayrshire. Kilbrannan Sound, an arm of the Firth of Clyde, separates the upper part of Kintyre from Arran. Loch Fyne, a continuation jointly of Kilbrannan Sound and of another arm of the Firth of Clyde, penetrates the mainland, first north-north-westward, next north-north-eastward; separates all Cowal from Kintyre, from Knapdale, and from Lorn; and sends off, from the extremity of its north-north-westward reach, Loch Gilp, with entrance into the Crinan Canal. The Kyles of Bute, a narrow semicircular belt of sea, connected at both ends with the Firth of Clyde, separates Cowal from the Isle of Bute, and projects Loch Riddon and Loch Striven northward into Cowal. The upper reach of the Firth of Clyde, leading round to the influx of the Clyde river, separates Cowal from the Cunninghame district of Ayrshire and from Renfrewshire, and projects Holy Loch north-westward into Cowal. Loch Long striking northward, nearly in a line with the Firth of Clyde, separates Cowal from Dumbartonshire, and projects Loch Goll north-north-westward into Cowal.

The mainland is divided into the six districts of Northern Argyll, Lorn, Argyll, Cowal, Knapdale, and Kintyre. Northern Argyll comprehends all the parts N of Loch Linnhe and Loch Eil, and is subdivided into the sub-districts of Lochail, Ardgour, Sunart, Ardnamurchan, and Morvern. The Lorn district includes Appin sub-district in the NW, and is bounded N by Lochs Linnhe and Leven, E by Perthshire, SE by the lower reaches of Loch Awe, S by Lochs Avich and Melford, and W by the Firth of Lorn. The Argyll district lies immediately S of Lorn, and is bounded SE by Loch Fyne, S by Loch Gilp and the Crinan Canal. The Cowal district is all peninsular, or nearly engirt by Loch Fyne, the Kyles of Bute, the Firth of Clyde, and Loch Long. The Knapdale district is bounded N by the Crinan Canal and Loch Gilp, E by the lower reach of Loch Fyne, S by East and West Lochs Tarbert. The Kintyre district is all peninsular, stretch-

ing southward from the Lochs Tarbert to the Irish Sea. A few islets lie within the waters or the reaches of the Firth of Clyde, and are included in the neighbouring mainland districts. The other islands lie all in the waters or sea-lochs of the Atlantic, and are classified into the three groups of Mull, Lorn, and Jura and Islay. The Mull group includes Mull, Canna, Rum, Muck, Coll, Tiree, Gometra, Ulva, Staffa, Iona, and a number of adjacent islets. The Lorn group includes Lismore, Shuna, and some islets in Loch Linnhe; and Kerrera, Seil, Easdale, Luing, Lunga, Scarba, and a number of adjacent islets in the Firth of Lorn. The Jura and Islay group includes Jura, Islay, Colonsay, Oronsay, Gigha, and a number of neighbouring islets. The territorial divisions of the county, however, serve mainly to indicate the physical distribution of its parts, or at best afford some aid to tracing the ancient history of its several sections, but have not much value for showing the distribution of its population, or the facilities and means of its economy and government. The entire county, therefore, mainland and islands, has been otherwise divided into the six districts of Mull, Lorn, Inverary, Cowal, Kintyre, and Islay. Mull, in this view, comprehends both the northern territorial division of the mainland and the Mull group of islands; Lorn comprehends both the mainland Lorn and the Lorn group of islands; Inverary is identical with the Argyll territorial division; Cowal also is identical with the territorial Cowal; Kintyre comprehends part of Knapdale and all territorial Kintyre; and Islay comprehends part of Knapdale and all the Jura and Islay group of islands.

The coasts and sea-lochs present a marvellous wealth of picturesque scenery. The views of the Firth of Clyde are endlessly diversified; up Loch Long, are first richly impressive, next sternly grand; up Loch Goll and Holy Loch, combine simplicity with grandeur; round the Kyles of Bute, are a circle of witchery; up Loch Fyne, pass from much variety of both shore and hill to striking scenes of wooded heights and lofty peaks; up the Firth of Lorn, are a gorgeous panorama of almost all styles and combinations of landscape; up Loch Linnhe, or round Mull island, are a rich succession of the beautiful and the romantic; and in many other quarters, as up Loch Etive, the Sound of Jura, West Loch Tarbert, and Kilbrannan Sound, are equally diversified and opulent. Their attractions, since the era of steam navigation, both for summer visitors and for transient tourists, have been very great. Not a few places or parts formerly without an inhabitant, or possessing only rude clachans or small villages, on points of the coasts or sea-lochs most easily accessible from Greenock or Glasgow, such as on the shores of Loch Long, Loch Goll, Holy Loch, the Firth of Clyde, the Kyles of Bute, and Loch Riddon, are now occupied by long ranges of villas and cottages-ornées. Most of the sea-waters, too, as well those most remote from Greenock as those near to it, are daily traversed during the summer months, by one or more of a fleet of first-rate steamers, carrying crowds of tourists mainly or solely to enjoy the delights of the scenery. No equal extent of coast in the world combines so largely a rich display of landscape with concourse of strangers to behold it. A great drawback, however, is excessive humidity of the climate, the rainfall at Oban being 65.29 inches, the mean temperature 47.3°. Another drawback, though operating vastly more in the summer than in the winter months, is occasional, fitful, severe tempestuousness; and this combines with the prevailing boldness and rockiness of the shores to render navigation perilous. Lighthouses are at Corran in Loch Eil, Mousedale in Lismore, Runa-Gall in the Sound of Mull, Ardnamurchan Point at the extreme NW of the mainland, Skerryvore WSW of Tiree, Rhu-Vaal at the N end of the Sound of Islay, Macarthur's-Head at the S end of the Sound of Islay, Rhinnas at Oversay in Islay, Dune Point in Loch Indal, Skervuile near the S end of the Sound of Jura, Mull of Kintyre at the southern extremity of Kintyre, Sanda island, 6 miles ESE of the Mull of Kintyre, and Devaar island at the mouth of Campbeltown Loch.

Much of the inland surface is as diversified as the

coast, much is as richly picturesque as it; but in a main degree is wildly mountainous, containing many of the loftiest and most massive heights of Scotland, many of the longest and deepest glens, many of the largest tracts of tabular moor, so as to form no mean portion of 'the land of the mountain and the flood.' Such tracts as the glen of the Ary and the shores of the lower parts of Loch Awe are pre-eminently brilliant—such as Glencroe, Glencoe, and parts of Mull are impressively sublime—and such as Staffa island and Ardtun have a romance peculiarly their own; but many others, broad and long, are dismal and repulsive. Many tracts closely contiguous to the very brightest ones on the coast are sterile, lofty, trackless moor; and nearly all the region N of Loch Linnhe, and in the NE of Lorn, and thence southward through the centre of Cowal, though interspersed with narrow sheltered glens, is mountainous, rugged, and bleak. The county, as a whole, both mainland and islands, with comparatively small exception, is little else than a congeries of mountains, cloven with glens, and occasionally skirted with low seaboard. Some of its mountains are vast isolated masses; others form groups or ranges; many are so agglomerated one into another as to be only summits of great tableaux; and not a few present such conflicting appearances of feature, mass, and altitude, as not easily to admit of distinctive description. The loftiest or more conspicuous summits are Bidean nam Bian, between Glencoe and Glen Etive (3766 feet); Ben Laigh, on the Perthshire border (3708); Ben Cruachan, between Lochs Etive and Awe (3669); Ben Starav, E of the head of Loch Etive (3541); Ben-a-Bheithir, SW of Ballachulish (3362); Buachaille-Étive, overhanging Glen Etive (3345); Culvain, on the northern border (3224); Benmore, in Mull (3185); Sgor Dhomhail, between Lochs Shiel and Linnhe (2915); the Paps of Jura (2565); Ben Arthur, or the Cobbler, at the head of Loch Long (2891); Benmore, in Rum (2367); Ben Tarn or Ben Yattan, in Morvern (2306); Bishop's Seat, W of Dunoon (1651); Cruach-Lassa, eastward of Loch Swin (1530); Ben-an-Tuirc, in Kintyre (1491); and Ben Varna in Islay, and the Peak of Scarva, each 1500 feet.

The streams are all short and rapid, and mostly rush down deep and narrow glens. Among them are numbers of torrents careering to the sea-lochs or sea-belts in the northern district; the Creran, the Etive, the Talla, and others in the NE; the Orchy, the Strae, and the Avich, running to Loch Awe; the Awe, voluminous but short, carrying off the superfluence of Loch Awe to Loch Etive; the Fyne, the Kinglass, the Shira, the Ary, the Douglas, and others, running to the upper part of Loch Fyne; the Cur, running to the head of Loch Eck, and the Eachaig carrying off that lake's superfluence to Holy Loch; the Ruel, running to the head of Loch Riddon; and a multitude of others, mostly mere burns, in Knapdale, Kintyre, Mull, Jura, and Islay.—The freshwater lakes, as also might be expected from the configuration of the country, are conspicuous; and they have been computed to cover aggregately an area of about 52,000 acres. Loch Awe, the largest of them, ranks among the first-class lakes, for both extent and picturesqueness, in all Scotland; expands at its foot around the skirts of Ben Cruachan into two great branches, and graduates from head to foot in a succession of ever-different and ever-increasingly impressive scenery. Other lakes are Lochs Avich, lying to the W of the upper centre of Loch Awe; Lydoch, in the extreme NW, and partly within Perthshire; Tolla, in the upper part of Glenorchy; Eck, in Cowal, stretching along a fine graceful glen; Arienas, in Morvern; Nell, in the NW of Lorn; Arisa, in Mull, etc.

Granite forms the great mountain-masses in the NE parts of the county, and south-westward to Ben Cruachan. Mica slate predominates in many parts of both the mainland and the islands. Porphyry forms an extensive tract on the NW side of Loch Fyne. Trap of various kinds prevails in some districts; and basalt, in particular, is prominent in Staffa, and in parts of Mull, Morvern, and Ardnamurchan. Rocks of the Limestone Carboniferous formation, with much sandstone, are in

the S of Kintyre, and the annual output here of Drumleable colliery, near Campbeltown, amounts to 100,000 tons, the seam being limited in area, but of great thickness and highly productive. Thin strata of coal lie tilted up and denuded on some small portions of the trap; a thin seam of coal, and small portions of lias and tertiary rocks occur in the SW of Mull. Fissile clay slate, of quality to form excellent roofing slates, constitutes the main bulk of Easdale, Luing, and Seil islands, and of a large tract around BALLACHULISH in the N of Appin, and both at Easdale and at Ballachulish is very extensively quarried. Limestone abounds in many parts, and seems to form the whole body of the large rich island of Lismore. Marble exists in various parts, and occurs of good quality in Tiree and Iona. Lead ore is worked in Islay (some 300 tons annually); copper ore also occurs; and a little cobalt has been found in Glenorchy. Strontites, or carbonate of strontium, became first known to mineralogists by the discovery of it in 1790 in the Strontian lead mines, which were discontinued in 1855, having been wrought for about 150 years. A great variety of rare calcareous spars, including splendid specimens of staurolite, also occurs in the strontium mines. The summits and shoulders of the mountains are generally bare rock; and large aggregates of the tableaux and even of the comparatively low grounds are utterly barren. A prevalent soil on such lofty mountains as are not bare, and along the banks of streams descending from these mountains, is gravel mixed with vegetable mould. A common soil, or rather covering, on extensive moors and on low grounds from which water does not freely flow, is peat moss. A prevalent soil in the westerly parts of the mainland and in some of the islands is a barren sand, consisting of disintegrated sandstone or disintegrated mica slate. Most of the soil in the fertile parts of Mid Lorn, Nether Lorn, Craignish, and other tracts not greatly elevated above sea-level, are either disintegrated limestone or disintegrated slate mixed with coarse limestone; and the former kind is generally light, the latter stiffer. Other kinds of soil suited to the plough and more or less fertile elsewhere occur, and several kinds sometimes graduate imperceptibly into one another. A fine alluvium lies along the banks of the lower reaches of some of the streams; a light loam mixed with sand, on a bottom of clay or gravel, is common on many low tracts; and a light gravel, incumbent on till, prevails on the skirts and acclivities of many hills.

Agriculture, up to the abolition of the feudal system in 1745, and even into the second decade of the present century, was in a very low condition; but, from various causes, it has undergone great improvement. The abolition of the feudal system, the conversion of corn-rents, or rents in kind and services, into money rents, the suppression of smuggling, the constructing of the Crinan and Caledonian Canals, the formation of good roads under the auspices of the parliamentary commissioners, the spread of school education and of industrial intelligence, the introduction and promotion of a system of farming suited to the capabilities of the soil and the climate, the incorporation of small holdings into productively large farms, the diffusion of information as to the best modes of cultivating land and managing live stock, and, above all, the introduction of steam navigation, with the rich facility afforded by it for reciprocal intercourse within the county, and for access to the great markets on the Clyde—have, each and severally in succession, originated and promoted great agricultural improvement. The compensatory results, nevertheless, have been greatly more in the department of live stock than that of husbandry. According to the agricultural statistics of 1891, only 128,000 acres are under cultivation. The cattle are chiefly Kyloes or West Highlanders, a small shaggy race, much superior to the Durobins and Skibos or North Highlanders, also older and more improved; and, notwithstanding their small size, are highly esteemed in the general market, and exported in vast numbers to the towns on the Clyde, and to places in the E and S. The stock of cattle in the county in 1891 was 60,000,

The sheep are of the black-faced breed, introduced many centuries ago from Northumberland to the southern counties of Scotland, and introduced thence about the middle of last century to Argyllshire. They are a hardy race, well suited to the country and the climate, and valuable for their mutton, but have a coarse fleece. The stock of sheep in the county in 1891 was 1,000,000. Red deer abound in several of the forests, especially Blackmount and Dalness; feathered game is more varied than plentiful; but its streams and lochs make Argyllshire a very angler's paradise. About 64,000 acres are covered with woods.

The manufactures are not great. A large quantity of kelp used to be made along the shores, but was driven out of the market by foreign barilla. Some leather is manufactured, and coarse woollen yarns, stuffs, and stockings, for home use, are still extensively made. Valuable manufactures of pig-iron were formerly carried on at Bunawe and Islay, but these have now ceased. The granite quarries of Bunawe, however, employ about 200 workmen. The distillation of whisky is conducted on a large scale in Islay and at Campbeltown. Slates are turned out in vast quantities from the quarries of Easdale and Ballachulish. Fisheries throughout the Campbeltown and Inverary districts, and partly in connection with the Rotheray district, are extensively conducted in all the surrounding intersecting seas. Loch Fyne indeed is celebrated as furnishing the finest herrings found on the coast of Scotland, and it is estimated that there are caught in this arm of the sea alone from 20,000 to 30,000 barrels annually; but the take has greatly fallen off in later years. The large catches, however, that are still occasionally made, show that the herring has not finally deserted the loch. Campbeltown is the only head port; but the commerce of the county has a vastly wider reach than what the shipping of Campbeltown represents, sharing very largely in the shipping of Greenock and Glasgow, and giving employment to no mean portion of the great fleet of steam vessels belonging to the ports of the Clyde. No similarly peopled region in any other part of Great Britain has such facilities of steamship communication, and none with seemingly so few resources supplies so large an amount of tonnage to coasting commerce. The railways are the CALLANDER AND OBAN railway, and the West Highland railway, which begins near Helensburgh and runs in a north-westerly direction, crossing the Oban railway at Crianlarich, to Fort William.

The royal burghs are Inverary and Campbeltown; a parliamentary burgh is Oban; and other towns and chief villages are Dunoon, Lochgilphead, Ardrishaig, Tobermory, Bowmore, Ballachulish, Turbert, Kilmun, Strone, Kilm, Sandbank, Tighnabruach, Portnahaven, Port Ellen, Port Charlotte, Easdale, and Ellenabuilch. The chief seats are Inverary Castle, Colonsay House, Kildalloig, Strontian, Fassfern, Dunstaffnage, Kilmory, Glenfcochan, Achindarroch, Inverneil, Sonachan, Glandaruel, Stonefield, Lochneil, Balliveolan, Possill Aros, Jura House, Inverawe, Ormsary, Ballochyle, Glenfinart, Glencreggan, Castle-Toward, Dunans, Kingarloch, Glenvar, Airds, MacLachlan, Pennycross, Ardgour, Poltalloch, Kildalton, Coll, Skipness, Ardrpatrick, Ardmeanach, Orinaig, Benmore, Barcaldine, Dunach, Gallanach, Fasnacloich, Pennygowan, Carskey, Oatfield, Hafton, Glenstriven, Knockdow, Milton, Ardnave, Ardlussa, Daill, Killundine, Ulva, Craignish, Ardinglass, Strachur, Saddle, Sanda, and Asknish. According to latest *Miscellaneous Statistics of the United Kingdom*, 2,030,948 acres, with a total gross estimated rental of £430,152, were divided among 2864 landowners; two together holding 347,540 acres (rental, £66,837), seven 419,917 (£61,041), sixteen 489,869 (£44,110), twenty-seven 363,570 (£61,906), thirty-four 232,921 (£47,336), thirty-eight 121,291 (£28,285), etc.

The county is governed (1891) by a lord lieutenant and high sheriff, 44 deputy lieutenants, a sheriff, 4 sub-sheriffs, and 143 magistrates. The sub-sheriffs are stationed at Inverary, Campbeltown, Oban, and Fort William. Ordinary small debt and debts recovery courts

are held at Inverary, Campbeltown, and Oban, every Friday, and at Fort William every Thursday during session. Circuit courts, under the Small Debt and Debts Recovery Acts, are held at Dunoon and Tobermory once a month, at Lochgilphead six times a-year, and at Bowmore (Islay) four times a year. Quarter sessions are held at Inverary on the first Tuesday of March, May, and August, and the last Tuesday of October. There are prisons at Inverary and Campbeltown, and police cells at Oban. The Duke of Argyll is lord-lieutenant and high sheriff, and he and the Marquis of Breadalbane are the principal proprietors. The county council is composed of 52 elected members—6 for Mull district, 4 for that of Ardnachrahan, 9 for Lorn, 9 for North and South Argyll, 10 for Cowal, 8 for Kintyre, and 6 for Islay—and 2 representatives each for the burghs of Oban and Campbeltown, and 1 for that of Inverary. There are seven district committees in the county (one for each of the above districts), a County Road Board, a standing Joint Committee (composed of county councillors and commissioners of supply), and a District Lunacy Board. The annual value of real property in 1815 was £227,493; in 1843, £261,920; in 1873, £429,384; in 1881, £499,736—both the two last exclusive of canals; and in 1892, £429,050, exclusive of burghs, railways, and canals. Besides its three burghs of Campbeltown, Inverary, and Oban, returning along with Ayr and Irvine a parliamentary representative, the county sends a member to parliament, and in 1891 had a constituency of 9874. Pop. (1881) 76,440, (1891) 75,003.

The registration county had, in 1881, a population of 80,693; in 1891, 79,317. Thirty-four parishes are assessed, and four unassessed, for the poor. One, Campbeltown, has a poorhouse for itself; and 26 in groups of 4, 5, 10, and 7, have poorhouses in the 4 combinations of Islay, Lochgilphead, Lorn, and Mull.

Religious statistics have already been given under ARGYLL; in 1891 the county had 159 public and 14 non-public but state-aided schools—in all 173 schools, with accommodation for 16,399 children, and an average attendance of 9900.

An ancient Caledonian tribe, the Epidii, occupied the great part of what is now Argyllshire. They took their name from the word *Ebhyd*, signifying 'a peninsula,' and designating what is now Kintyre, which hence was anciently called the Epidian promontory. They spread as far N as Loch Linne and the Braes of Glenorchy; they must have lived in a very dispersed condition; they necessarily were cut into sections by great natural barriers; they likewise, from the character of their boundaries on the N and the E, must have been much separated from the other Caledonian tribes; and they do not appear to have been disturbed even remotely by the Romans. They were, in great degree, an isolated people; and in so far as they had communication with other territories than their own, they seem to have had it, for a long time, far more with Erin than with Caledonia. Some of them, at an early period, probably before the Christian era, emigrated to the NE coast of Ireland, and laid there the foundation of a prosperous settlement, under the name of Dalriada. A native tribe, called the Cruithne, was there before them; took its name from words signifying 'eaters of corn;' is thought to have been addicted to the cultivation of the ground, in contrast to a pastoral or roving mode of life; and seems to have easily yielded itself into absorption with the immigrants. An intermingled race of Epidii and Cruithne arose, took the name of Dalriads or Dalriadans, adopted the Christian faith from the early Culdees of Erin, and are presumed to have combined the comparatively pastoral habits of the Epidii with the land-cultivating habits of the Cruithne. A colony of these Dalriads or Dalriadans came, in the year 503, to Kintyre; brought with them the practices of the Christian religion, and improved practices in the commoner arts of life; sent off detachments to various centres of the old Epidian region, especially to Islay and to Lorn; acquired ascendancy through all the country of the Epidii; and established at Dunstaffnage, in the

neighbourhood of Oban, a monarchy which is usually regarded by historians as the parent monarchy of Scotland. Further notices of that early monarchy will be given under the heading Dunstaffnage. King Kenneth, who began to reign at Dunstaffnage in 835, was the maternal grandson of a king of Pictavia, who died without any male heir in 833, and he made a claim to be that king's successor, contested the claim for several years with two competitors, and eventually enforced it by strength of victory; united the crown of Pictavia to the crown of Dalriada; and established, in breadth and permanency, the kingdom of Scotland.

The territory now forming Argyllshire, while it had been the cradle of the Scottish kingdom, became thenceforth no more than an outlying portion of it; and it soon began to be much disturbed by invasions and forays of Norsemen and other depredators who swept the seas. Numerous battles and heroic achievements, in consequence, took place within its bounds; but these, on account of its main territory becoming then much linked in history with the entire Western Highlands, will be more appropriately noticed in our article on the Hebrides. Some great events, indeed, if we may repose any confidence in the voice of tradition, events relating to Fingal and his heroes, were peculiarly its own, or at least belonged largely to its northern tracts of Morvern and Glencoe; but they are too doubtful and shadowy to admit of other than slight notice in merely the articles on the particular localities with which they are associated. The Macdonalds of Lorn and the Macdonalds, Lords of the Isles, were almost independent thanes during much of the Middle Ages—the former in Lorn, Argyll, and Mull—the latter in Islay, Kintyre, and some other parts; but they were eventually reduced to subjection by James III. The leading events during their times will be noticed in our article on the Hebrides. The Stewarts afterwards became the leading clan in Appin; the Macarthur, about Loch Awe; the Macgregors, in Glenorchy; the Macnaughtens, about parts of Loch Fyne; the Campbells, in parts of Lorn and Argyll. The Campbells, in particular, soon got high ascendancy, not only in their own original territory, but throughout the county and beyond it; they thoroughly defeated an insurrection of the Macdonalds in 1614; they extended their own acquisitions of territory near and far, till they came to hold an enormous proportion of all the land; and they concentrated their strength of descent in the two great noble families of Argyll and Breadalbane. The Argyll family got the Scottish peerage titles of Baron Campbell in 1452, Earl of Argyll in 1457, Baron of Lorn in 1470, Duke of Argyll, Marquis of Lorn and Kintyre, Earl of Campbell and Cowal, Viscount of Lochove and Glenisla, and Baron Inverary, Mull, Morvern, and Tiree in 1701; they also got, in the peerage of Great Britain, the titles of Baron Sundridge in 1766, Baron Hamilton in 1776, and Duke of Argyll in 1892; they likewise are hereditary keepers of the castles of Dunoon, Dunstaffnage, and Carrick; and, in 1871, through the marriage of the Marquis of Lorn, the duke's eldest son, to the Princess Louise, they became allied to the Royal family.

The antiquities of Argyllshire are many and various. Caledonian remains, particularly stone circles and megalithic stones, occur frequently. Dalriadic remains, or what claim to be such, are prominent at 'Beregonium' and Dunstaffnage. Danish forts, in the shape of what are called 'duns,' occur on different parts of the coast. Ecclesiastical remains occur on Iona, on Oronsay, in Ardhattan, at Kilmun, etc. Medieval castles, interesting for either their history, their architecture, or their remains, are at Dunolly, Kilchurn, Artornish, Mingarry, Skipness, and Carrick; and foundations of others are at Dunoon, Ardinglass, and some other places. See J. Denholm, *Tour to the Principal Lakes in Dumbartonshire and Argyllshire*; Capt. T. P. White, *Archæological Sketches in Kintyre and Knapdale*; and an excellent article by Duncan Clerk, 'On the Agriculture of the County of Argyll,' in the *Transactions of the Highland and Agricultural Society* (1878).

Arlicly or Araich-lin, a lake containing trout and char, and measuring 6 by 2½ furlongs, in Kildonan parish, Sutherland, 2 miles NNW of Kinbrace station.

Arienas, a lake in Morvern district, Argyllshire, sending off its superfluous by a small rivulet to the head of Loch Alaine.

Arinagour, a village in Coll Island, Argyllshire, near the middle of the coast. It has a harbour, with a pier, and pretty safe, but obstructed at the entrance by rocks.

Arisaig. See ARASAIG.

Arity, a rivulet of S Forfarshire. It rises in the N of Monikie parish; runs through a section of Guthrie; intersects Inverarity nearly through the centre; is joined there, on the left, by Corbie Burn; proceeds along the boundary between Kinnettles and Glamis; falls into the Dean river at a point 1½ mile NNE of Glamis village; and has altogether a run, north-westward, of about 8 miles.

Arkindeith, a ruined tower in Avoch parish, Ross-shire. It seems to have belonged to a castellated mansion of the early part of the 17th century, probably erected by the Bruces of Kinloss, and it is now reduced to the lowest or dungeon story.

Arkland, a place, with a fine view of the picturesque valley of the Scarr, in Penpont parish, Dumfriesshire.

Arkle, a rounded and massive mountain in Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland, 4 miles E of the head of Loch Laxford, and 5 SE of Rhiconich. It rises 2582 feet above sea-level, and has a somewhat tabular top, presenting a glassy appearance, especially after rain.

Arklet, a lake in Buchanan parish, Stirlingshire, which, commencing within 5 furlongs of the SW shore of Loch Katrine, extends 1 mile 1½ furlong westward, with a breadth of from 2 to 3 furlongs. It abounds in fine red-fleshed trout, presents a gloomy appearance, is followed along its northern side by the road from Loch Katrine to Inversnaid, and sends off a stream of its own name, about 2½ miles westward to Loch Lomond at INVENSNAID.

Arлары, an estate, with a mansion (R. Glass), in Orwell parish, Kinross-shire, 1½ mile NE of Milnathort.

Armadale, a police burgh in Bathgate parish, W Linlithgowshire, 2½ miles W by S of Bathgate town, and 1 mile N by W of a station of its own name, where there is a railway sub-post office, on the Edinburgh-Aldrie-Glasgow section of the North British. Standing amid extensive fields of coal and ironstone, limestone and brick-clay, it was merely a hamlet up to about 1851, when, owing to the establishment of neighbouring chemical and paraffin works, it suddenly rose to a town. It has nine commissioners, is lighted with gas, and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; a *quoad sacra* parish church (minister's salary £188), a Free church, St Paul's Episcopal church (built 1858), and a Wesleyan chapel, while the one public school open in 1891 had then accommodation for 703 children, an average attendance of 588, and a grant of £735, 1s. 3d. Pop. of burgh (1861) 2504, (1871) 2708, (1881) 2642, (1891) 3190.

Armadale, a fishing village, a bay, and a burn, in Farr parish, NE Sutherland. The village stands to the W of the bay, at 200 feet of elevation, and has a post office under Thurso, and a small public school. The bay, flanked eastward by Strathy Point, is 2½ miles wide and 1½ mile long, its innermost indentation being ¾ mile long, and from 5 to 3½ furlongs wide, and it is one of the few points in all the rock-bound coast of Farr where boats may land in moderate weather. The burn runs 5 miles NNE and NNW from Loch Buidhe Mòr to the head of the bay.

Armadale Castle, the seat of Lord Macdonald, in Sleaf parish, Isle of Skye, on the S coast, 7 miles NE of Sleaf Point. It stands on a gentle slope, amid well-wooded grounds; is a Gothic edifice of 1815, after a design by Gillespie Graham; has an octagonal tower on each side of the doorway; contains an elegant portrait of Somerled, Lord of the Isles, in stained glass, by Eglington of Birmingham; and commands an extensive view of the sublimely picturesque seaboard of Glenelg, Knoidart, Morar, and Arasaig.

Armit, a rivulet of Berwickshire and Edinburghshire, running about 8 miles south-westward to the Gala, at a point about 1 mile N of Fountainhall station.

Arnabost, a hamlet with a public school in Coll island, Argyllshire.

Arnage, a railway station in Ellon parish, E Aberdeenshire, on the Aberdeen-Peterhead branch of the Great North of Scotland railway, 3½ miles N by W of Ellon. Arnage House (J. L. Ross), 5 furlongs NNE, is an old and interesting Gothic mansion, formerly the seat of the Cheynes, to whom belonged Jas. Cheyne (d. 1602), rector of the Scots college at Douay.

Arnald, a burn in Barvas parish, island of Lewis, running about 6 miles to the Atlantic.

Arnbarrow, a hill 1060 feet high in the W of Fordoun parish, Kincardineshire, projecting as a spur from a low range of the Grampians.

Arnbeg, a place in Kippen parish, Stirlingshire, about 1 mile W of Kippen village, famous for the observance of the Lord's Supper at it, by a large assemblage of Covenanters, under cloud of night, in the year 1676.

Arabrae, a hamlet in Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire, 1 mile W of Kilsyth. Oliver Cromwell spent a night in a house in it which still is, or recently was, standing.

Arneroch, a village in Carnbee parish, Fife, 2½ miles ENE of Colinsburgh. It has a post office under Pittenweem, and it contains a Free church, designated of Carnbee, and a public school.

Arndilly. See BOHARM.

Arneybog, a mineral tract, with a colliery in the N of Cumbernauld parish, Dumbartonshire.

Arnfinlay, an ancient castle in Kippen parish, near the Forth boundary between Perthshire and Stirlingshire.

Argask, a parish formerly in the counties of Perth, Kinross, and Fife, but placed by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 wholly in the county of Perth. Towards the centre of the parish is the village of Damhead, 3 miles NNW of Mawcarse station, and 4½ N by E of the post-town Milnathort. Duncrevie, ½ mile S of Damhead, is another small village in Argask, which is bounded N by Dron, E by Abernethy, SE by Strathmiglo, S by Orwell, and W by Forteviot and Forgandenny. Its greatest length from N to S is 4½ miles; its breadth is 4 miles; and its area is 6455½ acres. The upper waters of the beautiful FARG have a length of about 5 miles within the parish, dividing what formed the Perthshire portion from the other two portions in Kinross and Fife, and here receiving the Strawycarn and other burns; in the former Perthshire portion are Loch Whirr and two smaller lakelets. The surface is charmingly diversified with hills belonging to the Ochil system, elevations from N to S being Berry Hill (900 feet), and points near Letliam (789), the Church (588), Pittillock (670), Plains on the western border (973), and Candy (830). The rocks are chiefly various kinds of trap, and the soils, for the most part, consist of disintegrations of these rocks, and generally have a black loamy character. About 1300 acres are uncultivated, and some 240 under wood, the whole being pastoral rather than arable. Some 28 proprietors (10 of them resident) hold each an annual value of £50 and upwards. Argask is in the presbytery of Kinross and synod of Fife; the minister's income is £188. The original church was a private chapel of the Balvaired family, and in 1282 was granted to Cambuskenneth Abbey. The present building, erected in 1806, had 350 sittings as enlarged in 1821, and was restored in 1879. There is also a Free church in the presbytery of Perth and synod of Perth and Stirling; and a public school, with accommodation for 150 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 85, and a grant of £79, 14s. 6d. Valuation £5521, 9s. Pop. (1831) 712, (1861) 705, (1871) 565, (1881) 547, (1891) 564.—*Wm. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Arggibbon, the seat of Wm. Forrester, Esq. (b. 1861; suc. 1878), formerly in the Perthshire portion of Kippen parish, but placed with this portion in the county of Stirling in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners, 2 miles S by E of Port of Menteith station.

Argomery, a mansion in Kippen parish, Stirlingshire, ¾ mile W of Kippen village.

Arnhall, an estate, with a mansion, in Fettercairn parish, Kincardineshire, at the boundary with Forfarshire, 6½ miles W by S of Laurencekirk. The estate was purchased by Mr Brodie, from Sir David Carnegie, in 1796, for £22,500; had been undergoing great improvement; and continued in Mr Brodie's hands to undergo much further improvement; was sold in 1814 to Mr John Shand for £70,000, and afterwards, in reclamation of moss, and in other ways, was further greatly improved. A small establishment is on it for carding wool and making coarse woollen cloth.

Arniefool, a village in Glamis parish, Forfarshire, 2½ miles SSE of Glamis station.

Arnisdale, a village in Glenelg parish, Invernesshire, on the side of Loch Houra, amid sublime scenery, about 13 miles S of Glenelg village, with a post office.

Arnish, a headland, with a lighthouse and a beacon, at the S side of the entrance of Loch Stornoway, in the island of Lewis. See STORNOWAY.

Arnisort, a hamlet in the Isle of Skye, Invernesshire, on a sea-loch of its own name, branching from Loch Snizort. It has a post office under Portree.

Arniston, an estate in Borthwick and Temple parishes, Edinburghshire. The mansion on it stands on the South Esk river, 1½ mile WSW of Fushiebridge station, is a massive and imposing edifice of no great age, and has extensive and very beautiful grounds. The original estate was comparatively small; belonged to Sir James Dundas, who was knighted by James V.; has come down regularly to his descendants, famous as lawyers and as statesmen; and has, from time to time, been greatly enlarged by additions from neighbouring properties. The soil of most of it was naturally poor, but has been much improved by art. Rich beds of coal here have been largely worked; and the Emily Pit has a depth of 160 fathoms, being the deepest in the E of Scotland. Sawmills and other industrial works also are on the estate.

Arnot. See ARMIT.

Arnrior, a village in Kippen parish, Stirlingshire, near the Forth and Clyde railway, 2½ miles W of Kippen village, with a post office and a public school, having accommodation for 100 children, an average attendance of 67, and a grant of £63, 19s. 6d.

Arnsheen, a hamlet and a *quoad sacra* parish in Colmonell parish, Ayrshire. The hamlet is 12 miles S of Girvan. The *quoad sacra* parish contains also the village of Barhill with a money order and savings bank post office; was constituted in 1872; had a population of 912 in 1891; and is in the presbytery of Stranraer and synod of Galloway. Stipend £120, with a manse.

Arnatully, a village and an estate in Kinclaven parish, Perthshire. The village stands 1½ mile NNW of Stanley Junction station, is inhabited by linen weavers, but has greatly declined. The estate was improved at a cost of nearly £4000 immediately before 1843, when it was still further improved.

Aros, a village, an ancient castle, a rivulet, and a bay, on the NE coast of Mull island, Argyllshire. The village stands contiguous to the bay, 7 miles SSE of Tobermory, on the road thence to at once the south-eastern, the southern, and the western parts of the island; overlooks the central part of the Sound of Mull; is the residence of the Duke of Argyll's factor; and has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, under Oban, and an inn. The castle stands on a high basaltic promontory at the side of the bay; was built before the time of Robert Bruce, and inhabited by the Lords of the Isles; was defended, on the land side, by moat and drawbridge; has a spacious esplanade extending to the extremity of the rock, and probably enclosed by a wall; was itself no more than a massive oblong tower, about 40 feet high; and is now reduced to two of its walls and part of a third. The site of it is strong, and the grounds adjacent to it soar into wild cliffs, seamed by fissures and channelled by cascades. The rivulet drains Loch Eriza, a lake about 4 miles long, extending to within 3 miles of Tobermory; and it runs from the lake about 3½ miles south-eastward to the bay

at the village. The bay has not much capacity, and is of half-moon outline; yet is made by Sir Walter Scott the rendezvous of the ships of the 'Lord of the Isles,'—

'Look, where beneath the castle grey,
His fleet unmoores from Aros Bay.'

Arpafellie, a place in the Black Isle district of Ross-shire. It has St John's Episcopal chapel (1816), and its post-town is Fortrose, under Inverness.

Arran (Gael. 'lofty isle'), the largest island in the Firth of Clyde, forms part of the county of Bute. It lies, like the rest of Buteshire, in the Firth of Clyde, being bounded SW and NW by Kilbrannan Sound, which separates it from Kintyre in Argyllshire; NE by the Sound of Bute, parting it from the Isle of Bute; and E and S by the main expanse of the Firth. Measuring at the narrowest, its extreme points are 3 miles E of Kintyre, $5\frac{1}{2}$ SW of the Isle of Bute, $9\frac{1}{2}$ W by S of the mainland of Ayrshire, and respectively 13 N and 30 N by W of Ailsa Craig and Kirkholm Point at the mouth of Loch Ryan. Its outline is that of an irregular ellipse, little indented by bays or inlets, and extending lengthwise from N to S. Its greatest length is 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth is 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, contracting to 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ at a line drawn westward from Brodick Bay; and its area is about 165 square miles. Its W side and its N end communicate with steamers plying between Greenock and Campbeltown; its E side is regularly visited by steamers from Greenock, both by way of Rothesay and by way of Millport, and by steamers in connection with trains from Glasgow at Ardrossan; and its S end communicates with steamers plying between Ayr and Campbeltown. Post offices are at Brodick, Lamalah, Whiting Bay (money order, telegraph, and savings bank offices), Kilmorrie, Shiskine (money order offices), Corrie (telegraph office), Blackwaterfoot, Dipping, Kingscross, Lochranza, and Pirnmill. Its principal place of thoroughfare is Brodick, midway along the eastern coast, 14 miles WSW of Ardrossan, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Millport, and 26 SSW of Rothesay; and its next largest is Lamalah, on the same coast, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles farther S. Its shores and surface are wonderfully picturesque, exhibiting landscape in almost every style, from the softly gentle to the sublimely terrible. The views of it, in all directions, at any distance, either from the Clyde itself or from its far extending screens, are very striking; the views within it, both on the seaboard and in the interior, are endlessly diversified; and the views from it, specially from its higher central vantage grounds, display the richest combinations of land and water, intricate shore-lines, and grand mountain backgrounds. A carriage road round it, a distance of 60 miles, commands no mean proportion of all the scenery, while two other roads cross the island from shore to shore—one from Lagg to Lamalah, the other from Shiskine to Brodick; but only wild, almost impracticable, footpaths lead to the sublimest views. Its geology, mineralogy, botany, zoology, and archaeology, possess the highest attractions, and have combined with its gorgeous scenery to draw to it annually, since the era of steam navigation, great numbers of summer tourists. Its climate is highly salubrious, the longevity of the people being remarkable. All the streams but two are free to the angler, but though game is abundant it is scrupulously preserved; there are no restrictions, however, on the peregrinations of visitors.

A flat belt of land, in form of a terrace, from 10 to 20 feet above the present tide-level, and from a few yards to $\frac{1}{2}$ mile broad, goes round all the shore; consists of an ancient sea-beach, common to all the banks of the Firth of Clyde as far up as Dumbarton; is bounded, on the land side, by sea-worn cliffs, pierced in many parts with caves or torn with fissures; and is traversed, with a few intervals, by the road round all the coast. The views from this terrace inland are modified, from stage to stage, by the structure of the interior; sometimes are blocked by lofty wall-like cliffs; sometimes are overhung by cloud-piercing mountain summits; sometimes include romantic features on the seaward side; sometimes sweep far into stupendous glens; and sometimes open over bays or over considerable expanses of low land. Chief

seaward cliffs, or other striking seaward features, are Holy Isle, in the mouth of Lamalah Bay, rising tier above tier to the altitude of 1030 feet; Claucllands Hills, 2 miles N of Holy Isle, at the point of a peninsular tract eastward of the carriage road, rising 800 feet from the shore, and pierced with caves; the skirts of Goatfell, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Brodick, coming precipitously down from alpine mural abutments, and terminating in romantic cavernous cliffs; the Fallen Rocks, on the sea-face of an isolated mountain ridge, 5 miles NNW of the Goatfell cliffs, only approachable by wary walking, and looking like an avalanche of shattered blocks of rock rushing to the shore; the Scriden Rocks, near the northern extremity of the island, or 3 miles NW of the Fallen Rocks, and presenting an appearance similar to theirs, but on a grander scale; and the Struey Rocks, at the southern extremity of the island, a short way E of Lagg, and consisting of a range of basaltic sea cliffs, rising to the altitude of 400 feet, deeply cut by vertical fissures, and pierced by a curious, long, wide cavern, the Black Cave. The chief glens descending to the coast are Glen Cloy, Glen Shurig, and Glen Rosie, converging to a mountainous semi-amphitheatre, round the head of Brodick Bay; Glen Sannox, opening out from behind the alpine buttresses of Goatfell, and pre-eminently silent, sombre, stupendous, and impressive; Glen Ranza, commencing in precipices nearly 1000 feet high, and descending about 4 miles to the head of Loch Ranza, 2 miles SW of the Scriden Rocks; Glen Catacol, coming down from alpine central mountains, with itself a romantic pastoral character, to a small bay, 2 miles SSW of the mouth of Loch Ranza; and Glen Iorsa, descending 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-south-westward from grand central mountains, joined on its right side by two long ravines, and declining toward the coast, 9 miles S of the mouth of Glen Catacol. The chief bays are Lamalah Bay, measuring 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles across the mouth, occupied more than one-half there by Holy Isle, and forming one of the best harbours of refuge to be found anywhere in Great Britain; Brodick Bay, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles across the mouth, having a half-moon outline, and engirt by successively a smooth beach, a sweep of plain, and the mountainous semi-amphitheatre cloven by Glen Cloy, Glen Shurig, and Glen Rosie; Loch Ranza, at the mouth of Glen Ranza, 7 furlongs long and 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ wide, with a pleasant verdant peninsula projecting from its SW shore; Machrie Bay, southward from the mouth of Glen Iorsa, describing the segment of a circle $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles along the chord and about 1 mile thence to the inmost shore; Drumadon Bay at the S end of a range of cavernous cliffs about 300 feet high, extending about 2 miles to it from the S end of Machrie Bay, and forming itself a segmentary indentation about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile along the chord; and Whiting Bay, separated on the N from Lamalah Bay only by Kingscross Point, and forming a crescent 3 miles across.

The northern half of the island is densely mountainous. Its many summits look, in some views, like a forest of peaks; range in altitude from the Cock of Arran, at the northern extremity, 1033 feet high, to the top of Goatfell, 3 miles from Brodick Bay, 2866 feet high, and overlooking the three kingdoms; and are interlocked or conjoined with one another at great heights, by spurs and cross ridges. But the masses, though all interconnected, are easily divisible into the three groups of Goatfell, Cir Vohr or Mhor, and Ben Varen or Bharrain. The Goatfell group rises so abruptly and ruggedly from the E shore as to present a stern appearance from the sea; has a bold ascent from the S, yet in such gradients as permit it to be scaled without difficulty by two paths leading up from Brodick; starts aloft on both the W and N in mural cliffs and tremendous acclivities from encircling glens, yet projects high spurs toward the adjacent Cir Vohr group on the W, including a col or cross ridge, 1000 feet high; and spreads in its upper part into a kind of triangular tableau, with divergencies eastward, southward, and westward. The Cir Vohr group extends $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward and southward, at a distance of about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the E

shore; has a sharp, jagged, irregular summit-line, nowhere much lower than 1600 feet above sea-level; and lifts at least 3 peaks to altitudes of 2000 feet and upwards, these being Castell-Avael, 2735 feet high, with Cir Vohr proper (2618 feet) and Ben Tarsuinn (2706) to the SE and S. The Ben Varen group is situated to the W of Cir Vohr; extends parallel with it, or about 7 miles northward and southward; has greater breadth but less height and less sublimity than either the Goatfell or the Cir Vohr group, culminating at 2345 feet; is longitudinally split by the upper part of Glen Iorsa, so as to flank both sides of that glen; and, as seen from the mouth of Glen Catacol, presents an outline like that of a long house with rounded roof, and shows on its summit two great mural reaches of granite blocks meeting each other at right angles. The southern half of the island consists of a rolling plateau, fronted round the coast with declivities, breaks, and cliffs of much romantic beauty, but characterised through the interior by tameness and bleakness. The plateau has a general elevation of from 500 to 800 feet above sea-level; and is traversed by irregular ridges, generally in a direction nearly E and W, and rising to elevations of from 1100 to 1600 feet above sea-level. Glens and vales descend to the E, S, and W; have mostly a mountainous or loftily upland character round their head; decline to a comparatively lowland character in their progress; and, in many instances, are so interlaced that the upper parts of westward ones are nearer the E coast than the upper parts of eastward ones, and the upper parts of eastward ones nearer the W coast than the upper parts of westward ones. The close views throughout the S aggregate are very far inferior to those throughout the N, but the more distant views there, especially the views thence of the northern mountains, are very grand.

The rocks of Arrau, both igneous and sedimentary, are exceedingly diversified; they also, in their relations to one another, and in their mutual contacts, present very interesting phenomena; and at once by their geological ages, by their inter-connectional character, and by their lithological constitution, they are unparalleled by the rocks of any equal extent of territory in almost any part of the globe, and form, in a main degree, an epitome of the geology of Britain. 'The variety, indeed,' says Dr Bryce, 'is so great, and the interest so lively and pleasing, which an examination of the structure of the island and its charming scenery excites, that, as Professor Phillips has remarked, every geologist who visits Arran is tempted to write about it, and finds something to add to what has already been put on record. For the student there cannot be a finer field. The primary azoic rocks, the metamorphic slates, the lower paleozoic strata, the newer erupted rocks, and phenomena of glacial action, may all be examined by him in easy excursions of a few days; and the exposition of the strata is so complete in the rugged mountains, deep precipitous glens, and unbroken sea-coast sections, that the island may truly be called a grand museum arranged for his instruction by the hand of nature.' Granite forms all the northern region to within from 1 mile to $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the shore, but is of coarse grain in the coastward parts, of fine grain in the interior parts, and has been the subject of much recent discussion among geologists as to its age. Metamorphic slates form a belt round all the granitic region, extending quite to the shore in all the NW and W, and measuring averagely about 1 mile in breadth along the S, but separated by other rocks from the shore on the E and NE. Devonian rocks form a belt exterior to the slate belt, along all the E, SW, and S, from the Fallen Rocks on the N to Machrie Bay on the W; about 1 mile wide at Glen Sannox, very much narrower further S and onward to the SW, but widening to about $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles in the extreme W. Carboniferous rocks form a narrow belt along the NE coast, from beyond the Scriden Rocks to the Fallen Rocks; form again a broader belt on the E seaboard, from a point N of Corrie down to Brodick Bay; expand there into a belt from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles broad, southward to Lamlash Bay, and

eastward and westward across the whole width of the island; are interrupted throughout a considerable aggregate of that broad belt by regions and patches of other rocks; send ramifications from around Lamlash Bay southward and south-westward along the E coast and along Monamore Glen and Glen Scorsdale; ramify thence again into narrow belts along most of the S coast and through four parts of the interior; and finally form a very narrow belt along the N end and W side of Holy Isle. Porphyritic rocks form two patches 2 miles SE and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Brodick; form another patch on the W coast at Drumadon Point; form another region about $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles by $1\frac{1}{2}$ on the coast immediately SSE of Drumadon Bay; form also a patch on the S coast at the E side of the Struey Rocks; and finally form the greater portion of Holy Isle. Trap rocks, variously greenstone, basalt, and of other kinds, form three considerable isolated patches at the E coast, the E centre, and the W central parts of the great Carboniferous belt which extends across the island, and form all the region between that great belt and the S coast, except the portions occupied by the Carboniferous ramifications and by the porphyritic rocks. Beautiful crystals of amethyst are found in quartzose sandstone on the S side of Glen Cloy; smoke quartz crystals are found in coarse-grained and rapidly disintegrating granite on the great northern mountain ridge; sulphate of barytes is found and worked in Glen Sannox; and numerous other interesting minerals are found in other places.

The chief streams are the rivulets or torrents rushing down the great glens in the NE, the N, and the NW; the Iorsa, traversing Glen Iorsa down to the N of Machrie Bay; the Machrie, running about 6 miles south-westward to the southern part of Machrie Bay; the Black Water, running about 6 miles west-south-westward and southward to Drumadon Bay; the Slidery, running about 6 miles south-south-westward to a point $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of the mouth of the Black Water; the Torrylin, running about 5 miles south-westward to a point 2 miles W of the Struey Rocks; the Ashdale, running 4 miles south-eastward and eastward to Whiting Bay; and the Monamore and the Benlister, running respectively about $3\frac{3}{4}$ and 3 miles eastward to Lamlash Bay. The rarer plants of the island, or those which either are nearly peculiar to it or can seldom be found in other parts of Scotland than the W coast, amount to no fewer than about 320 species; and the marine animals amount to about 283 species. Adders exist, contrary to a statement in Farrar's *St Paul*, three having been killed here in the summer of 1880. The agricultural statistics are included in those of BUTESHIRE, but only about 8000 acres are arable; about 613 acres are under wood; and a considerable aggregate of ground on the NE and the NW coast is under coppice. The island is divided, territorially, into the districts of Lamlash, Brodick, Lochranza, Sluisine, and Southend; politically, into the parish of Kilmorie in the W, and the parish of Kilbride in the E; ecclesiastically, into the old parishes of Kilmorie and Kilbride, and the *quoad sacra* parish of Brodick; registrationally, into the districts of Kilbride, Brodick, Kilmorie, and Lochranza. The chief villages are Brodick, Lamlash, Whiting Bay, Lochranza, and Corrie—all of them lying on the coast. The chief residences are Brodick Castle, Kilmichael, Corriegills, and numerous villas. The whole belongs to the Duke of Hamilton, with the exception of the estate of Kirmichael (3632 acres), its owner being lineal descendant of Fergus MacLuis of Fullerton, who received it from Bruce for services rendered when in hiding. Valuation £20,157. Pop. (1881) 4673, (1891) 4824.

The Monarria of Ptolemy, Arran is associated in legendary story with Fingal and his heroes; and it may really have been the scene of unrecorded events to which those legends owe their origin. The Norsemen are known to the Irish annalists as Fiongal, or 'white foreigners'; and early Norsemen not improbably made descents on the coasts of Arran; while later Norsemen are certainly known to have held possession of its territory. Somerled, ruler of Argyll in the

12th century, founder of the great family of Macdonald, Lords of the Isles, wrested Arran and Bute from the power of Norway, and retained possession of them till his defeat and death at Renfrew (1164). A division of Arran is thought to have been attempted between his sons Reginald and Angus, and is conjectured to have been the reason of a deadly feud which arose between these brothers. Arran and Bute, nevertheless, appear to have reverted to the dominion of Norway, and to have lain more or less under it till 1286, when they were politically detached from the Western Isles with which they had been associated, and were annexed directly to the Scottish Crown. Robert Bruce, after his defeat at Methven (1306), and after seeking refuge in successively Aberdeenshire, Breadalbane, Argyllshire, and the Irish island of Rathlin, in Arran once more raised his standard. Sir James Douglas, with a band of Bruce's devoted adherents, had contrived to retain the island, and to seize Brodick Castle, which had been garrisoned by the English; and Bruce, coming hither from Rathlin, with a fleet of 33 galleys and 300 men, joined Douglas's band; made preparation here for a descent on the mainland; and, at a preconcerted signal fire, lighted near Turberry Castle on the coast of Ayrshire, sailed hence to drive the English from Scotland, and to make his way securely to the throne. A cave, partly artificial, in the range of cliffs between Machrie and Drumadon Bays, is said to have been his temporary abode prior to his going to Rathlin, and bears the name of the King's Cave; and the promontory between Whiting and Lam-lash Bays is said to have been the point whence he set sail for Ayrshire, and bears the name of King's Cross. Arran was erected into an earldom in favour of Sir Thomas Boyd in 1467, on his marriage to the Princess Mary, eldest sister of James III., but as to both estates in it, and peerage title, it soon passed to the family of Hamilton; and, save for the usurpation of Captain James Stewart (1581-85), it has continued to belong to the Hamilton family till the present day. The chief antiquities in the island are many cairns and megalithic standing stones, several imperfect stone circles, a few Norse or Danish forts, slight Columban vestiges on Holy Isle, the site of St Bride's Convent at Loch Ranza, a ruined monastic cell at Balnacuila, a ruined chapel at Binuiegarragan, a ruined castle at Loch Ranza, the ancient watch-tower or small fortalice of Kildonan, at the south-eastern extremity of the island, and the older portions of Brodick Castle. The island is noted for its situation as a herring fishery, but this is pursued by only a comparatively small portion of the inhabitants, chiefly at the north end. The staple industry is agriculture, which is attaining to a high degree of excellence. See D. Landsborough, *Arran, its Topography, Natural History, and Antiquities*; Jas. Bryce, *The Geology, etc. of Arran*; Jn. M'Arthur, *Antiquities of Arran*.

Arran, Cock of, an isolated sandstone hill, on the N coast of Arran, in the eastern vicinity of the Scriden Rocks, and 2½ miles E of the mouth of Loch Ranza. It rises direct from the beach to an altitude of 1083 feet; is a noted landmark to mariners; and used, when seen in front from the sea, to have an outline like that of a cock, with outspread wings, in the act of crowing, but now, having lost its head, has less that appearance than before.

Arriehas. See **ARENAS**.

Arrochar, a village and a parish of N Dumbartonshire. The village stands on the eastern side of the head of salt-water Loch Long, with **BEN ARTHUR** ('the Cobbler,' 2891 feet) rising right opposite; it is 1½ mile W by S of **TARBET** on Loch Lomond, 20½ miles E by S of **Inverary**, and 17½ N of Helensburgh, with the two first places communicating by coach, by steamer with the last. The village consists of straggling rows of houses and pleasant villas, and has a hotel, the 'Colquhoun Arms.' It has a post and telegraph office under **Tarbet**.

The parish is bounded N by **Killin** in Perthshire, E by **Buchanan** in Stirlingshire and by **Loch Lomond** (½ to 1 mile in breadth), S by **Luss**, and W by **Row**, **Loch Long**, and **Lochgoilhead** parish in Argyllshire.

From N to S it has an extreme length of 12½ miles; its width from E to W varies between 1½ and 6½ miles; and its area is 28,832½ acres, of which 583 are foreshore and 2915½ water. Most of the Perthshire border is traced by the **ALDERNAN** running eastward, and the **Allt-Innso** westward, to the **FALLOCH**, which has a southerly course in **Arrochar** to the head of **Loch Lomond** of 1½ mile. From **Luss** the parish is parted by the **Douglas**, flowing eastward to **Loch Lomond**, and from **Argyllshire** for 2½ miles by **Loin Water**, flowing southward to the head of **Loch Long**; whilst the chief stream of the interior is **Inveruglas Water**, running 2½ miles south-eastward and eastward to **Loch Lomond** out of **Loch Sloy**, a lonely lake that, 9 furlongs long but barely 1 in width, lies midway between **Ben Vorlich** and **Ben Vane**. Save for the isthmus between the village and **Tarbet**, and for narrow strips along the lochs and streams, the surface everywhere is grandly mountainous. The principal heights are, eastward of the **Falloch** and **Loch Lomond**, ***Parlan Hill** (2001 feet), **Cnap Mor** (536), **Cruch** (1675), ***Stob nan Eighrach** (2011), and ***Beinn a' Choin** (2524); and westward thereof, from N to S, ***Beinn Damhain** (2242), **Stoban Fhithlich** (1272), **Cnap na Criche** (1611), ***Maol Breac** (2115), ***Maol Meadhonach** (1981), **Cnoc** (1614), **BEN VORLICH** (3092), **Little Hills** (2602), ***Beinn Dhubh** (2509), ***BEN VANE** (3004), **Dubh Chnoc** (945), **Cruch Tairbirt** (1364), **Ben Reoch** (2168), ***Tullich Hill** (2075), **Beinn Bhreac** (2233), and **Stob Gobhlach** (1413), where asterisks mark those summits that culminate just on or close to the borders of the parish. The rocks consist mainly of mica slate, though including some clay slate, amorphous quartz, and trap veins; of arable land there are hardly 400 acres, but woods and plantations cover a considerable area along **Lochs Lomond** and **Long**. From the 13th down to the 18th century, this was the country of the 'wild Macfarlane's plaided clan,' who took their slogan from their gathering place, **Loch Sloy**. Supporters of the Stewart Earls of Lennox, they fought at **Glasgow Muir**, and **Pinkie**, and **Langside**; but one of the last of them, **Walter Macfarlane** of that ilk, the antiquary (d. 1767), is 'no less celebrated among historians as the collector of ancient records than were his ancestors among the other Highland chiefs for prowess in the field' (*Keltie's Scottish Highlands*, 1892, vol. ii., pp. 173-175). At present by far the largest proprietor is **Sir Jas. Colquhoun of Luss**. **Lord Jeffrey's** favourite residence, **Stuckgown House**, lies on **Loch Lomond**, 1 mile SSE of **Tarbet**. Other mansions are **Blarannich**, 1½ mile NNE of **Tarbet**, and **Penroech House**, near the village. The **West Highland railway** runs through the parish, skirting the northern shores of **Loch Long** and **Loch Lomond**. Disjoined from **Luss** in 1658, **Arrochar** is in the presbytery of **Dumbarton** and synod of **Glasgow and Ayr**; the living is worth £249. The parish church (rebuilt in 1847) stands just to the S of the village, and a **Free church** ½ mile W of **Tarbet**; whilst **Arrochar public school**, with accommodation for 90 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 36, and a grant of £49, 17s. No finer drives are to be found in the **West Highlands** than those in the neighbourhood of **Arrochar**. Valuation, £5291, 14s. Pop. (1801) 470, (1841) 580, (1851) 582, (1861) 629, (1871) 525, (1881) 517. (1891) 1457.—*Ordn. Sur.*, sh. 36, 1871.

Arrol. See **ERROL**.

Arthurlough or Ardilly. See **BOHARM**.

Arthurhouse, a farm in **Garvoek** parish, **Kincardineshire**. About one-fourth of a cairn is on it, some 20 feet in diameter, recently enclosed within a planted tract of fully half an acre. The other three-fourths of the cairn were removed about 1830 for conversion into road metal, and were then found to conceal a megalithic stone circle, and to cover an ancient sarcophagus; among the stones of them, near the outskirts, were found two coins of respectively **Alexander I.** and **Robert Bruce**, and about twenty other coins, seemingly of silver, but so greatly corroded as to be undecipherable.

Arthurlee, an ancient estate, now divided among various proprietors, and dotted with mansions, public works, and villages, in the immediate vicinity of **Barr-**

head, on the NE border of Neilston parish, Renfrewshire. The estate belonged to a branch of the Darnley family, and continued till the latter part of the 18th century to be rural; but it then and afterwards was cut into sections with diversity of names, and became a seat of great manufacturing industry. One of the earliest bleachfields in Scotland was established at Cross-Arthurlee about 1773; a cotton mill was built at Central-Arthurlee in 1790; a new and very extensive printfield for all kinds of calicoes was established at South-Arthurlee in 1835; and other works and erections at subsequent dates have brought the entire place into connection with Barrhead. The Glasgow and Neilston branch of the Caledonian railway runs through its western part, and has a station at Barrhead. The chief villages are Cross-Arthurlee and West-Arthurlee; mansions, Arthurlee House and Upper Arthurlee House. The public school at Cross-Arthurlee has accommodation for 529 children, an average attendance (in 1891) of 398, and a grant of £389, 6s.

Arthur's Oven or Arthur's O'on, a famous quondam Roman antiquity in Larbert parish, Stirlingshire, on a sloping bank about 300 feet N of the NW corner of the Carron iron-works. It was demolished in 1743, for the purpose of lining a mill-dam across Carron river; was considered up to the time of its destruction to be the most complete and best preserved Roman building in Great Britain; was described and discussed in enthusiastic manner by many antiquaries; was accurately depicted in Camden's *Britannia*, and in several later works of high authority; can still be well understood by means of copies of the drawings made of it; and perhaps may continue for many ages as interesting to the curious as any great existing monument. The following account of it is given in R. Stuart's *Caledonia Romana* (1845):—"This building was of a circular form, its shape in some measure resembling that of a common beehive. It measured at the base from 29 to 30 yards in circumference, and continued of the same dimensions to the height of 8 feet, from which point it converged gradually inwards in its ascent, till at an elevation of 22 feet the walls terminated in a circle, leaving in the top of the dome a round opening 12 feet in diameter. On its western side was an arched doorway, 9 feet in extreme height, and above it an aperture resembling a window of a slightly triangular form, 3 feet in height, and averaging nearly the same in width. The whole was formed of hewn freestone, laid in regular horizontal courses, the first of them resting upon a thick massive basement of the same material, which, to follow out the simile, represented with curious fidelity the common circular board on which the cottage hive is usually placed. The interior of the structure corresponded with its general appearance from without, the only difference being in the concavity of the shape, and in its having two projecting stone cornices round its interior surface, the one at a height of 4 and the other of 6 feet from the ground. The style of the workmanship was singularly perfect, and showed an intimate acquaintance with masonic art. No cement of any description had been made use of in its construction, yet the stones were so accurately joined together that even the difficult process of forming so diminutive a cupola by the concentration of horizontal courses was accomplished there in the most skillful and enduring manner."

Arthur's Seat, a picturesque and conspicuous hill in the immediate eastern environs of Edinburgh. It culminates at a point about 1½ mile SE of the centre of the city; has an altitude of 822 feet above the level of the sea; descends rollingly, to the N and to the E, over a base each way of about 5 furlongs; presents an abrupt shoulder to the S; and breaks down precipitously to the W. A narrow dingle, called the Hunter's Bog, extends N and S along its western base. Salisbury Crags rise in regular gradient from the western side of the Hunter's Bog to a height of 574 feet above the level of the sea; break sharply down in a semicircular sweep, with bold convexity toward the city; are crested round the brow of the semicircle, to an average depth of 60 feet, with naked wall of rugged greenstone

cliff; and thence descend rapidly to environing low ground, with smooth and regular declivity, in form of a talus. Both Arthur's Seat and Salisbury Crags are within the Queen's Park; and the Queen's Drive runs 3¼ miles round them, at altitudes of from 112 to 390 feet. Both command most magnificent views of the city, and of a great extent of country, away to distant horizons—from Ben Lomond to North Berwick Law, and from the Ochils to the Lammermuirs. A fragment of the chapel of St Anthony's Hermitage, founded in 1435, is on a precipitous knoll at the N base of Arthur's Seat; and a spring, St Anthony's Well, celebrated in the old plaintive song, 'O waly, waly up yon bank,' is at the SW foot of the knoll. Musket's Cairn, marking the scene of a terrible wife murder in 1720, was in 1822 transferred from Hunter's Bog to near the Jock's Lodge entrance, that George IV. might see it without wetting his feet. Three lochs lie around the hill—to the N, St Margaret's (240 × 85 yards); to the E, Dunsappie (233 × 67 yards), at 360 feet of altitude; and to the SE, DUDINGTONSTON (550 × 267 yards). The S end of Arthur's Seat, projecting with abrupt shoulder from the central mass, terminates at the base, partly in what is called the Echoing Rock, an isolated rugged eminence giving off good reverberations to the S, and partly in what is called Samson's Ribs, a lofty cliff exhibiting a range of basaltic columns. The outline of the hill, as seen at some little distance from the WSW, closely resembles that of a lion couchant. The summit is small, tabular, and rocky; was one of the stations of the Trigonometrical Survey; and is so strongly magnetic that the needle, at some points of it, is completely reversed. The general mass of the hill comprises a diversity of eruptive rocks, together with some interposed and uptilted sedimentary ones; and it forms a rich study to geologists, and presents phenomena about which the ablest of them disagree or are in doubt. The chief rock is trap, which in vast tabular masses has broken through the carboniferous strata, and frequently encloses portions of hardened sandstone, the whole presenting many interesting geological features, volcanic and glacial, which are discussed in C. Maclaren's *Geology of Fife and the Lothians*, J. W. Judd's 'Structure and Age of Arthur's Seat' (*Journal London Geol. Soc.*, 1875); and Sir A. Geikie's *Geology of the Neighbourhood of Edinburgh*. See also pp. 256-258 of J. Hunnewell's *Lands of Scott*.

Arthur's Seat, a rock in Dunnichen parish, Forfarshire, on the N side of Dunbarrow hill.

Arthur's Seat, Argyllshire. See BEN ARTHUR.

Artnay, a rivulet in Comrie parish, Perthshire, traversing the upper part of Glenartney, and becoming identified with the river Ruchil.

Artnish, a ruined dark-grey castle in Morvern district, Argyllshire, on a low basaltic headland of the Sound of Mull, at the E side of the entrance of Loch Aline, 3½ miles WNW of the point of Inninmore. A stronghold of the Lords of the Isles, and meeting-place of their legislative assemblies, it is said to have been the scene of negotiations between the fourth Lord and Edward I. of England, which issued in a league against the crown of Scotland. It now comprises little more than the remains of a keep and some fragments of outer defences; but, in the times of its integrity, it was a place of great strength and splendour. Sir Walter Scott describes it as 'on its frowning steep, twist cloud and ocean hung; he speaks of its 'turret's airy head, slender and steep, and battled round, o'er-looking Mull; he mentions its raised portcullis arch, 'the wicket with its gates of brass, the entrance long and low, flanked at each turn by loopholes; he depicts the passage to it, hewn through a rock, 'so straight, so high, so steep, that, with peasant's staff, one valiant hand might well the dizzy pass have mann'd 'gainst hundreds armed with spear and brand, and plunged them in the deep; and he makes the castle the gathering place of magnates and minstrels, 'from mainland and from isle, Ross, Arran, Islay, and Argyll,' to do honour to the nuptials of the hapless maid of Lora.

Ary. See ARAY.

Ascaig, a lake, measuring $6\frac{1}{2}$ by $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs, in Kildonan parish, Sutherland, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Kildonan station.

Ascog, a village, a bay, and a lake in the E of the Isle of Bute. The village is in Kingarth parish; commences on the coast $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Rothsay; extends about 2 miles southward along the shore; consists of a chain of neat houses; and has a post office with telegraph under Rothsay, a Free church, and a burying-ground, with the grave of the painter Montague Stanley. Ascog House, Ascog Hall, Ascog Bank, Ascog Tower, Ascog Point House, Ascog Lodge, Mid Ascog House, Craigmore, Mountfort, and other pleasant residences are in the neighbourhood. The bay indents the coast $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Bogany Point at the entrance of Rothsay Bay, but is of small extent. The lake, on the mutual boundary of Kingarth and Rothsay parishes, is 1 mile long, and from 1 to 2 furlongs wide, and is one of the two lochs from which Rothsay draws its water supply.

Ascrib, a cluster of uninhabited islets in Duirinish parish, Skye, Inverness-shire, nearly in the centre of Loch Snizort.

Ashare, the northern of the three divisions of Ed-drachillis parish, Sutherland.

Ashdale, a rivulet and a glen in the S of Kilbride parish, SE Arran. The rivulet, rising at 1300 feet above the sea, runs 4 miles SE and E to Whiting Bay, and makes two beautiful cascades, 50 and more than 100 feet in leap. The glen is grandly picturesque, and presents some interesting basaltic features.

Ashdow, a narrow, winding, picturesque ravine in the W of Killearn parish, Stirlingshire, in the course of Carnock burn, 3 miles SW of Killearn village. It occurs in red sandstone rock, is about 70 feet deep, has the closeness and the obscurity of a chasm, and is wildly adorned with overhanging woods.

Ashenyard or Ashgrove, a triangular lake ($\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4}$ mile) in the extreme N of Stevenston parish, Ayrshire.

Ashy or Ashie, a lake in Dore parish, Inverness-shire, 2 miles W of the foot of Loch Ness, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ SSW of Inverness. It is about 2 miles long, by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile broad, supplies Inverness with water, and contains trout running up to 4 lbs. but very shy.

Ashfield, a hamlet, with a public school, in North Knapdale parish, Argyllshire.

Ashierteel, a mansion in the N of Yarrow parish, Selkirkshire, on the S bank of the Tweed, 53 miles WS of Galashiels. Long a seat of the Russells, of Indian military fame, it was tenanted from 1804 to 1812 by their kinsman Walter Scott, then Sheriff of Selkirkshire. It stands on a beautiful reach of the river, backed by green Peel Hill (991 feet), Ashierteel Hill (1314), and South Height (1493); and is a Border tower with five additions of different dates. The house in Scott's day possessed its present centre and W wing; the N bedroom was his library and dressing-room; a ground-floor room at the end of the W wing was drawing-room; and what is now a passage was both the dining and his writing room, in which were composed the *Lay of the Last Minstrel*, the *Lady of the Lake*, and *Marmion*, as well as about a third of *Waverley*. The present owner is Miss Russell, daughter of General Sir James Russell, K.C.B. (1781-1859), and grand-daughter of Col. Wm. Russell (d. 1802).

Ashintully, an estate, with a mansion, in Kirkmichael parish, Perthshire, 15 miles NNW of Blairgowrie.

Ashkirk, a village and parish in Selkirkshire. The village stands on the right bank of the Ale, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Selkirk station, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ NNW of Hawick, and has a post office under the latter town. Previous to 1891 the village was in Roxburghshire, and the parish partly in that county and partly in Selkirkshire. In that year, however, the Boundary Commissioners, while transferring to the parish of Ashkirk a detached portion (1430 acres) of the parish of Selkirk, removed Ashkirk parish wholly into the county of Selkirk.

The parish is bounded on the NW by Selkirk parish, on the E by Lilliesleaf, on the SE by Wilton, on the S by Robertson, and on the W by Kirkhope. The length of the entire parish, from NE to SW, is 8 miles; its

breadth varies between 5 furlongs and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and the total area is 15,393 acres, of which $94\frac{1}{2}$ acres are water. The river ALE winds for about 6 miles from the south-western to the north-eastern border, and here receives the Wee, Todrig, and Woll burns; with it communicate the little lochs of Shielswood, Ashkirk, ESSENHIE, and HEADSHAW. The surface is hilly, the principal heights, as one descends the Ale, being, on the left hand, Ham-mel Side (1022 feet), Whitslade Hill (1134), Leap Hill (1047), 3 nameless summits (1030, 1126, and 1178), Broad-lee Hill (871), Woll Rig (1113), Headshaw (896), Stob-shaw Hill (1051), and Cock Edge (990); on the right hand, Esdale Law (1167), Cringie Law (1155), Ashkirk Hill (967), and Blackcastle (908). The rocks are chiefly greswacke and clay slate; marl is plentiful and of excellent quality; and the soil is in some parts peaty, in most parts light and sandy, about 2500 acres being under the plough, and some 400 planted. Near the manse stood a residence of the archbishops of Glasgow, whose site is still known as 'Palace Walls;' of a strong baronial fortalice at Salanside hardly a trace remains. An ancient camp at Castleside is fairly entire, and vestiges of others occur at various points. Up to the Reformation great part of Ashkirk belonged to the see of Glasgow, and later almost all of it was divided among the family of Scott. The principal mansions are Ashkirk House (the seat of A. Cochrane, Esq.), Sinton House (the seat of John Scott, Esq.), and Woll House; and 6 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 5 of between £100 and £500. This parish is in the presbytery of Selkirk and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; the minister's income is £313. The church, built in 1791, contains 202 sittings; and there is also a Free church with 200 sittings; whilst a public school, with accommodation for 130 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 67, and a grant of £77, 14s. 6d. Valuation, £7955 13s. 2d. Pop. (1831) 597, (1861) 578, (1871) 550, (1881) 500, (1891) 466.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 17, 1864.

Ashley, an estate, with the seat of Col. W. H. Brown, in Ratho parish, Edinburghshire, 2 miles ESE of Ratho station.

Ashton, the south-western part of Gourrock village, in Innerkip parish, Renfrewshire. Commencing at Kempeck Point, it extends about 1 mile along the shore, its site being chiefly a narrow belt of low ground, overhung by steep braes. It includes some houses on a line of terrace-road across the face of these braes, together with gardens running down the slopes; and is mainly an array of spacious two-story houses and handsome villas, with a neat United Presbyterian church on the low ground, and a small Episcopalian chapel on the upper terrace. Bright and attractive in appearance, it confronts the exquisite scenery on the western screens of the Firth of Clyde, from Rosneath peninsula, round by Loch Long, Kilmun Hill and Holy Loch, to the long sweep of Kilm, Dunoon, and Bishop's Seat; and is a favourite summer retreat and bathing-place of the citizens of Glasgow. The part of it nearest Kempeck, and fully $\frac{1}{2}$ mile onward, is sometimes called West Bay; while the part further on is more distinctively known as Ashton.

Askaig, Port, a seaport village on the NE coast of Islay, near the middle of the S side of the Sound of Islay, opposite Jura, 10 miles NNE of Bowmore. It has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, under Greenock, and a good inn; it communicates regularly with the steamers from the Clyde to Islay; and it forms the best landing-place for tourists who wish to get a good knowledge of the island. Lead mines were, at one time, worked a little to the NW.

Aslisk, a ruined baronial fortalice in the N of Elginshire, 5 miles E by N of Forres.

Assel, a rivulet of Girvan parish, Ayrshire, running about 5 miles south-westward to the Stinchar, opposite Pinmore House, in Colmonell.

Assleed, a rivulet of Aberdeenshire, rising in the NE of Monquhitter parish, separating that parish from the parishes of New Deer and Methlick, and pursuing altogether a southerly course of about $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the Ythan.

Assynt (Gael. *as agus innte*, 'out and in'), a hamlet and a coast parish of SW Sutherland. The hamlet, called also *Inchnadamh*, stands at the head of Loch Assynt, 33½ miles WNW of Lairg station, and 13 E of Lochinver; comprises the parish church (built about 1770; repaired 1816; and seating 270), a Free church, an inn, and a post office under Lairg, with money order and savings' bank departments; and holds fairs on the Friday of August before Kyle of Sutherland, and the Monday of September before Beaulu. Lochinver is the chief place in the parish, lying at the NE angle of a sea-loch of its own name, which is 2½ miles long, and from 3 to 6 furlongs wide. A Glasgow steamer calls at its pier weekly; and it has an Established mission church, a post office with a daily despatch to and from Lairg, and with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, and an inn; whilst Culag House, a former lodge here of the Duke of Sutherland, was opened in May 1880 as a first-class hotel, with accommodation for 60 guests, and shooting and fishing over 12,000 acres. Other inns are Unapool, at Kylesku Ferry, 10 miles N by W of Inchnadamh; and Altnacalgaich, on the south-eastern border, 7½ miles S by E.

The parish is bounded W and N by the Minch, NE by the great sea-loch KYLESKU and its south-eastern branch GLENCOUL, E by Eddrachillis, Creich, and Ross-shire, and S by the western portion of Cromarty, from which it is separated by Lochs VEYATIE and FEWN, and by the river KIRKAIG, the link and outlet of those long, narrow lakes. It is 18 miles long from Unapool to the Cromalt Hills, and 16½ wide from Coinne-mheall to Rhu- kirkaig; its area is 119,677½ acres. From Kylesku Ferry westward to the Point of Stoir is a distance of 10 miles, and thence south-south-eastward to Loch Kirkaig of 11½ more; but both distances would be trebled or quadrupled, were one to follow the infinite windings of the high, rock-bound coast—the bays or lochs of Ardar, Nedd, Clais-messie, Culkein, Ballcladhie, Stoir, Clachtoll, Roe, Inver, and Kirkaig. Along it are scattered some 30 uninhabited islands and islets, the largest being *Ellen-na-ghawn* in Kylesku, *Ellen-riri*, *OLDANY*, and *Crona* on the northern, *SOYEA* and *Clete* on the south-western, coast. Inland, 'rough moor and heather-tufted rock alternate with lochs, which lie under some of the wildest and most imposing mountains of Scotland.' To the S of Loch Assynt rise the sharp summits of *Canisp* (2779 feet) and *Suilven* (2399), the 'sugar-loaf' of this sailors. *Glasven* (2541 feet) and *Quinag* (2653) extend their precipices along its northern shore. And ESE, just over the border of Creich parish, *BENMORE ASSYNT*, the loftiest mountain of Sutherland, culminates at 3273 feet, whilst sending into Assynt a western shoulder, *Coinne-mheall*, 3234 feet high. These are the oldest mountains in the British Isles, for, while *Benmore* is made up of Silurian quartzite and trap, the others consist of Cambrian conglomerate and sandstone, *Quinag* being capped with Silurian quartzose. A strip of the Laurentian system on the coast is overlaid by Silurian beds as one advances inland, and the two result in a bare bleak country, treeless, almost devoid of bushes, and intersected by a streak of limestone, which runs up into a stupendous ridge, 1½ mile long, and over 200 feet high, at *Stronechrubie*, to the left of the road between *Inchnadamh* and *Loch Awe*. To this limestone belongs the bright white marble, formerly quarried in *Glen Assynt*, where *Dr Macculloch* came upon marble cottages. Excepting a few spots, chiefly consisting of moss, none of the surface is fit for cultivation; the climate is moist to an extreme, the annual rainfall being some 60 inches; but for the naturalist and the fisherman *Assynt* is indeed a happy hunting-ground. Golden eagles still build upon *Quinag*, though not as in 1846, when one keeper shot 16 in three weeks; like peregrine falcons, they are now preserved. Ospreys and badgers are recently extinct; but to-day's fauna includes wild-cats, martens, blue hares, herons, all kinds of game, and seaweed in abundance; the flora, alpine and bog plants, as well as a few rare ferns. Of freshwater lochs there is a perfect net-work, particularly in the NW. Their traditional number is 300, and the Duke of Sutherland's

½-inch map (1853) shows 225, of which by far the largest is *Loch Assynt*, occupying the centre of the parish. Curving from ESE to WNW, it is 6½ miles long, and from 3 to 6 furlongs wide, at several points is more than 100 fathoms deep, and with its birch-clad southern shore, its baylets, ruins, and amphitheatre of overhanging hills, presents a picture singularly lovely. It abounds with the common and the great lake trout, and, in the season, with sea-trout and grise; its outlet is the *Inver river*; and at its head it receives the *Loanan* from *Loch Awe*, and from *Benmore* the half-subterranean *Traligill*. Near the source of the latter is *Loch Mullack-Corrie*, supposed (but wrongly) to contain the true gillaroo trout; and other noticeable lakes are, in the SE, *BORROLAN*, *URIGILL*, and *CAMALOGH*; in the NW, *Beanoch* (2 miles long, by 1 to 3 furlongs wide), isletted *Crokach* (1½ mile, by ½ to 3 furlongs), *Clashmore* and *Culfralchie*, all yielding capital sport, as also do innumerable burns. *Assynt* has one most memorable association—the capture in it of the great *Marquis of Montrose*. After the rout of *Invercharron* he and the *Earl of Kinnoull* escaped into *Assynt*; and here, after two days' wandering, 'the *Earl*,' says *Gordon's* contemporary *History of Sutherland*, 'being faint for lack of meat, and not able to travel any further, was left among the mountains, where it was supposed he perished. *James Graham* had almost perished, but that he fortunately in this misery to light upon a small cottage in that wilderness, where he was supplied with some milk and bread. . . . The *Laird of Assynt*, *Neil Macleod*, was not negligent, but sent parties everywhere; and some of them met *James Graham*, accompanied with one *Major Sinclair*, an *Orkneyman*, apprehend them, and bring them to *Ardreck*, the *laird's* chief residence. *James Graham* made great offers to the *Laird of Assynt*, if he would go with him to *Orkney*, all which he refused, and did write to the *Lieutenant-General*. *James Graham* was two nights in *Skibo*, and from thence he was conveyed to *Braan*, and so to *Edinburgh*'—there to be hanged, 21 May 1650. The beautiful ruins of *Ardreck Castle* (built about 1591) stand at the end of a long rocky peninsula, on the NE shore, and 1½ mile from the head, of *Loch Assynt*; a little higher up is the shell of *Calda House*, a mansion erected about 1660 by *Kenneth Mackenzie*, third *Earl of Seaforth*, and destroyed by fire towards the middle of last century. The forfeited *Seaforth* lands were purchased in 1758 by the *Earl of Sutherland*, whose descendant, the present duke, owns the entire parish. Sheep-farming is the staple industry, and lobster-fishing is also carried on.

The north-western part of *Assynt* forms the *quoad sacra* parish of *STOER*; the remainder is a parish in the presbytery of *Dornoch* and synod of *Sutherland* and *Caithness*, and its minister's income is £228. Under a school-board for the whole civil parish there are 7 public schools—at *Achmelvich* (in W), *Assynt*, *Culkein* (NW), *Drumbaig* (N), *Elphine* (SE), *Lochinver*, and *Stoer*. These had in 1891 a total accommodation for 464 children, an average attendance of 300, and grants amounting to £154, 18s. 1d. A coach runs to and from *Lairg* and *Lochinver* on week days. Pop. mostly Gaelic-speaking, of ecclesiastical parish (1891) 1270; of civil parish (1861) 3178, (1871) 3006, (1881) 2778, (1891) 2551. See *Origines Parochiales*, ii. 2, 692; and pp. 89-119 of *A. Young's Angler's and Sketcher's Guide to Sutherland*.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 107, 1881.

Asta, a village and a lake in *Shetland*, 1 mile from its post-village, *Sealloway*.

Athelstaneford, a village and a parish of N central *Haddingtonshire*. The village is 3 miles NNE of *Haddington*, and has a post office under *DREX*, another post office hamlet in this parish, 2½ miles to the NNW, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, and the junction of the *North Berwick* branch of the *North British railway*. The name *Athelstaneford* is supposed to commemorate a victory of *Hungus* or *Angus mac Fergus*, King of the *Picts* (731-761), and founder of *St Andrews*, over one *Athelstane*, 'dux' or commander of *Eadbert*, King of *Northumbria* (*Skene Celt. Scot.*, i. 299).

The parish is bounded N by Dirleton and North Berwick, NE, E, and SE by Prestonkirk, and S and W by Haddington. Its greatest length from E to W is 4½ miles; its greatest breadth is only 2½ miles; and its area is 5080½ acres, of which 3½ are water, and 16½ were detached, which the Boundary Commissioners transferred to the parish of Prestonkirk. The surface rises in the W to over 400 feet above sea-level; consists mainly of a broad-based ridge, extending E and W between the two PEPPER BURNS; and, excepting some 40 acres of hill pasturage and about 210 under wood, is all arable. The rocks are chiefly different kinds of trap, overlying, or thought to overlie, the coal measures. The former have been quarried, and some beautiful specimens of rock crystal found; but various searches for coal have had little or no success. The parish, till 1658, comprised not more than 1000 acres, and all belonged to the Earl of Wintoun, whose seat of Garlton is now a complete ruin; but then it was enlarged by annexations from Prestonkirk and Haddington. At present 7 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 1 holds between £100 and £500, 1 between £50 and £100; but the only large mansion is Gilmerton House, which, with about one-third of the entire parish, belongs to Sir Alexander Kinloch (b. 1830, s. 1879), tenth holder of a baronetcy created in 1686. Illustrious natives were Thomas Gwilliam, provincial of the Dominicans of Scotland, and 'the first man from whom Mr Knox received anie taste of the truth'; Sir John Hepburn (1598-1636), field-marshal of France in the Thirty Years War; and Robert Blair of Arvontoun (1741-1811), Lord President of the Court of Session. The last was son of the author of the *Grave*, who was minister of Athelstanford from 1731 to 1746, and whose successor, John Home (1746-57), here wrote his tragedy of *Douglas*. This parish is in the presbytery of Haddington and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £325, with glebe. There are some remains of the church that Ada, Countess of Northumberland, built about 1178, and granted to her Cistercian nunnery of Haddington. A new parish church of 1780 gave place in 1868 to the present building (500 sittings; cost, over £1500). A public school, with accommodation for 164 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 98, and a grant of £83, 2s. 10d. Valuation (1892) £9357, 1s. Pop. (1831) 931, (1861) 902, (1881) 762, (1891) 745.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 33, 1863.

Athole, a mountainous district in the N of Perthshire. It is bounded on the N by Badenoch in Inverness-shire, on the NE by Mar in Aberdeenshire, on the E by Forfarshire, on the S by Stormont and Breadalbane in Perthshire, on the W and NW by Lochaber in Inverness-shire. Its area has been computed at 450 square miles. Its surface is highly picturesque, presenting lofty mountains, deep glens, solemn forests, extensive lakes, grand waterfalls, impetuous rivers, and all other striking features of Highland scenery. A central portion of it, around Blair Castle, and forming the most populous and cultivated portion of BLAIR ATHOLE, is open fertile vale, traversed by the river Garry, and generally presenting only low rounded eminences; but most of the rest is alpine, and ascends to the lofty watershed of the Central Grampians. The chief mountains in it are Ben-rackie, Ben-vuroch, Benglo, Ben Dearg, Ben-a-Chual-iaich, Coire-Cragach, Sron-na-Eagaig, and Benvolach; and several of these, as well as others on the boundaries, rise to altitudes of more than 3000 feet. Chief glens are Glen Garry, Glen Erchieid, and Glen Tummel through the centre; Glen Edendon, Glen Bruar, and Glen Tilt in the north; and Glen Brerachan, Glen Fearnach, and Glen Shee in the west. The principal rivers traverse these glens, and bear their names; and all are, directly or indirectly, tributaries of the Tay. The chief lakes are Erich on the north-western boundary, Garry in the NW, Rannoch in the W, and Tummel in the S centre. The chief waterfalls are on the Bruar and the Tummel.—Athole Forest is a part of the district preserved for deer and other game; comprises upwards of 100,000 acres; is famed above every other forest for its hunting attractions and its magnificent scenery; pos-

sessed, in former times, great immunities and privileges; belongs now to the Duke of Athole; is stocked with about 7000 red deer, and with numerous roe-deer; abounds with red and black game, plovers, partridges, and ptarmigans; has also multitudes of foxes, wild-cats, polecats, martens, weasels, and alpine hares; is frequented, in some parts, by the jay, the woodpecker, the kestrel, and the eagle; and possesses a rich variety of rare indigenous plants.—Athole gives the titles of Earl, Marquis, and Duke, in the peerage of Scotland, to a branch of the family of Murray. The earldom was grafted on a prior earldom of Tullibardine, and created in 1629; the marquise was created in 1676; and the dukedom was given to the second marquis in 1703. The seat of the family is Blair Castle.—Athole is celebrated in song, claims special excellence for its performers on the bagpipe, and was once noted for a compound of whisky, honey, and eggs, called Athole brose.

Athole and Breadalbane, a poor-law combination in the N of Perthshire, comprehending the parishes of Blair Athole, Caputh, Dowally, Dull, Little Dunkeld, Fortingall, Kenmore, Killin, Logierait, Moulin, and Wern. Its poorhouse near its post-town, Ballinluig, has accommodation for 70 inmates.

Auchaber, an estate, with a mansion, in Forgue parish, Aberdeenshire, 11½ miles E by N of Huntly.

Auchairn. See ACHARN and ACHERN.

Auchairne, an estate, with a mansion, in Ballantrae parish, SW Ayrshire, 2 miles E by S of Ballantrae village.

Auchallader. See ACHALLADER.

Auchanault, a place in the S of Ross-shire, on the Dingwall and Skye railway, 21½ miles W of Dingwall. It has a station on the railway, an inn, and a post office.

Auchans, an estate, with a mansion, in Dundonald parish, Ayrshire. The estate belonged, for a number of ages, to the Wallaces of Dundonald; went, about 1640, to Sir William Cochrane, afterwards Earl of Dundonald; and passed, subsequently, to the Earls of Eglinton. It has considerable plantations; and it retains part of an ancient orchard, whence a famous pear, originally got from France, but known as the Auchans pear, was dispersed through much of Scotland. The mansion stands near the ruins of Dundonald Castle and near Dundonald village, 4 miles SSE of Irvine; is situated on a gentle eminence, on a grand curvature of a beautiful sylvan bank nearly 1 mile long, and generally more than 100 feet high; bears upon its walls the date 1644, but appears to have been constructed of materials taken from Dundonald Castle; and is a curious edifice, with considerable variety of outline and very picturesque features. 'Thus,' says Billings, 'the square balustraded tower is in direct opposition to the cone-covered staircase, which breaks the monotony of the main wall-face of the mansion in its centre. But the picturesque is more particularly evinced in the arrangement of the crow-stepped gables, and especially of the one surmounting the round tower to the right. The flank wall of this gable continues the line of the house, instead of being corbelled upon the tower, which is finished by being simply sloped off to the wall, leaving as a questionable feature what has evidently been a change from the original design.' At Auchans, in 1778, Dr Johnson and Boswell 'spent a day well' in visiting Susannah, Dowager-Countess of Eglinton, the witty beauty to whom Allan Ramsay had dedicated his *Gentle Shepherd* (1725), and who died here in 1780 in her ninety-first year.

Auchenairn, a village in Cadder parish, Lanarkshire, 3 furlongs SSE of Bishopbriggs station, and 3 miles NNE of Glasgow. It consists of two parts, old and new; is said to have been visited by the plague in 1666; and has an endowed school and a public school. The former is supported by bequests of the Rev. James Warden in 1745 and the Rev. Dr Leechman in 1764, and was rebuilt in 1826; the latter, with accommodation for 300 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 183, and a grant of £193, 9s. 10d. Pop. (1861) 744, (1871) 523, (1881) 634, (1891) 683.

Auchenbathie, a barony in the SE of Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire, contiguous to Ayrshire, 3½ miles

ESE of Lochwinnoch town. It belonged to the Wallace family of Elderslie; it is mentioned by Blind Harry as one of the places which Malcolm Wallace, the father of Sir William Wallace, 'had in heritage;' and it has remains of a small ancient castle, called Auchenbathie Tower. Another Auchenbathie is in the neighbourhood, and, as having belonged to another family than the Wallaces, is called Auchenbathie Blair.

Auchenbeatty, a burn in Closeburn and Kirkmahoe parishes, Dumfriesshire, running 6 miles south-eastward to the Nith near Kirkmahoe village.

Auchenblae. See AUCHINBLAE.

Auchenbowie, a hamlet, an estate, and a burn in Stirlingshire. The hamlet and the estate are in St Ninians parish, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of Bannockburn; and the mansion on the estate stands in the southern vicinity of the hamlet. Productive collieries are on the estate, and may be regarded as in the same coalfield with the collieries of Greenyards, Plean, and Bannockburn. The burn rises on the skirts of Drummarnock Hill, flows 3 miles eastward thence to the vicinity of the hamlet, turns there to the S, and proceeds 3 miles southward to the Carron in the vicinity of Denny.

Auchencairn, a village and a *quoad sacra* parish in the civil parish of Rerwick, Kirkcubrightshire. The village is pleasantly situated at the NW angle of a bay of its own name, about 10 miles E of Kirkcubright, 8 SSE of Castle-Douglas, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ SSW of Dalbeattie, with which last station it communicates twice a week by coach. With good sea-bathing, it is a rising little place, containing an Established church (1856), a Free church, two hotels, gas-works, a post office under Castle-Douglas, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, public library and reading room, and a school which in 1891 had an average attendance of 137 children, and a grant of £141, 15s. 6d. Just to the S, on ground that rises from the shore, stands Auchencairn House (J. G. Mackie, Esq.), a good red freestone mansion, with tasteful grounds and a fine collection of modern British paintings; and to the S again of this is Auchencairn Moss. The parish is in the presbytery of Kirkcubright and synod of Galloway; its minister's stipend is £120. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 1037, (1891) 806.

Auchencairn Bay runs $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-westward from 'he Solway Firth (or $2\frac{1}{2}$), reckoning its right hand prolongation, ORCHARDTON Bay), and has an average breadth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile. Its entrance is guarded by Almorner Point, 100 feet high, on the right; on the left by BALCARY Point (200 feet); and half-way across it lies the green isle of Hestan (3 furlongs long, $1\frac{1}{2}$ wide, and 100 feet high), giving its waters a land-locked, lake-like appearance. At low tide the bay presents an unbroken bed of smooth sand, so dry and firm that horse-races have been run upon it.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 5, 1857.

Auchencloich, a hamlet in Sorn parish, Ayrshire, 2 miles NE of Mauchline. It has a post office under Kilmarnock, and a public school.

Auchencrow. See AUCHINCRAW.

Auchencruive, an estate, with a mansion and a station, in St Quivox parish, Ayrshire, on the river Ayr, and on the Ayr and Mauchline railway, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ENE of Ayr. The mansion is a splendid edifice—the seat of Rich. Alex. Oswald, Esq., owner in Ayrshire of 10,004 acres, and in Kirkcubrightshire of 24,160 acres, valued respectively at £17,826 (£3530 minerals) and £16,185 per annum.

Auchendavy or **Auchendowie**, a hamlet in Kirkin-tiloch parish, Dumbartonshire, 2 miles ENE of Kirkin-tiloch town. One of the forts of Antoninus' Wall stood here, but was obliterated partly by the forming of the Forth and Clyde Canal, partly by subsequent operations. A pit 9 feet deep, situated immediately beyond the SW angle of the fort, was accidentally discovered at the forming of the canal, and found to contain four Roman altars, part of another altar, a mutilated stone figure, and two ponderous iron hammers. 'Three of the altars,' says the *Caledonia Romana*, 'had been broken through the middle, and all were lying

huddled together, as if they had been hastily thrown in, and then covered with earth to conceal them from view, telling, as they lay, a silent but expressive tale of the sudden order of retreat, the precipitate muster of the garrison, the hurried dismantling of the station, and of the retiring footsteps of the legionary cohorts, as they defiled upon a southern route; while, perhaps, the shouts of the advancing Britons were already heard in the distance, starting the wild boar in the woods beyond Inchfar, and the waterfowl among the sedges of the Kelvin.'

Auchendenny. See AUCHINDINNY.

Auchendolly, an estate in Crossmichael parish, Kirkcubrightshire. It has a chalybeate spring.

Auchendrane, an extinct ancient castle and a modern mansion in the W of Ayrshire, on the river Doon, 4 miles S of Ayr. The castle was centre of the events which formed the subject of Sir Walter Scott's drama, the *Ayrshire Tragedy*; and is still traceable in its foundations. The mansion was originally called Blairstone House; belonged to the Muir family; passed by marriage, in 1793, to David Cathcart, Lord Alloway; and in 1868 was purchased by the late Sir Peter Coats. A picturesque edifice in the old castellated style, it was enlarged (1850-81) by the addition of a conservatory, aviary, new wing, tower, etc.

Auchendryone, a village in Crathie parish, Aberdeen-shire, on the W side of the Clunie, opposite Castleton of Braemar. It is often regarded as part of Castleton; and, in the old times, it was the scene of great gatherings for hunting deer in Braemar forest.

Auchengeith, a hill in the N of Kirkmahoe parish, Dumfriesshire. It projects southward from the Queens-berry range, and has an altitude of 984 feet above sea-level.

Auchengelloch, an eminence, 1514 feet above sea-level, in the south-eastern uplands of Avondale parish, W Lanarkshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Strathaven. A frequent meeting-place of the Covenanters for religious worship in the times of the persecution, it is quite inaccessible to cavalry, and seems never to have been approached by the mounted troopers; and it has now a small stone monument, erected about 1830, in memory of the meetings held at it.

Auchengool, an estate, with a mansion, in Rerwick parish, Kirkcubrightshire, 4 miles ESE of Kirkcubright. It belonged to John Ramsay M'Culloch (1789-1864), the distinguished political economist and statist.

Auchengray, a hamlet of Carnwath parish, Lanarkshire, with a station on the Caledonian, which is $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Carstairs, and $21\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Edinburgh, has a telegraph and post office, and is the junction for Wilsontown. The hamlet, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NNE, has an Established mission church, and a public school, with accommodation for 132 children, an average attendance (1891) of 53, and a grant of £64, 8s. 6d.; near it are brickworks, quarries, and a coal pit.

Auchenhavrie, a ruined castle in Stewarton parish, Ayrshire, the seat once of a branch of the Cunninghams, 4 miles WSW of Stewarton town.

Auchentheath, a collier village in Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Abbeygreen. Standing on the right bank of the Nethan, it has a station on the Lesmahagow branch of the Caledonian, a post office, and a public school, with accommodation for 165 children, an average attendance (1891) of 144, and a grant amounting to £133, 12s. Two coal-pits at work here belong to the Carboniferous Limestone series, and furnish fine canal coal, employed in the Glasgow and other gas-works. Pop. (1861) 716, (1871) 763, (1881) 612, (1891) 735.

Aucheneck, a hill in the NW of Closeburn parish, Dumfriesshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Thornhill. It overhangs Cample Water, and rises 1431 feet above sea-level.

Auchenloch, a village in Cadder parish, Lanarkshire, 1 mile SSE of LENZIE Junction, thence $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Glasgow. It has a public school, with accommodation for 145 children, an average attendance (1891) of 92, and a grant of £88, 10s.; near it is the Glasgow Convalescent Home, instituted in 1864.

Auchenreoch. See ACHENREOCH.

Auchenroath, a hamlet and a mansion in the parish of Rothes, Elginshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of the town of Rothes.

Auchenshaugh or **Auchenshauch,** a broad-based hill in Douglas parish, Lanarkshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Douglas town. Its cairn-crowned top, 1286 feet above sea-level, was the meeting-place of the Cameronians (27 July 1712), who, entering on the 'Auchenshauch Declaration and Engagement,' renewed therein the Covenants, while protesting against all schism and sinful separation from the Church of Scotland (themselves, to wit), and solemnly binding themselves to extirpate Prelacy, and all rites, ceremonies, heresies, and false doctrines. The 'Auchenshauch Wark' is memorable as the organising of the first Secession— the Reformed Presbyterian Church. See vol. viii., pp. 237-242, of Hill Burton's *History of Scotland*; and *The Church of Scotland, Past and Present*.

Auchenskeigh, a romantic sylvan dell in Dalry parish, Ayrshire, 2 miles from Dalry town. Limestone rocks here are rich in fossils; and a cavern, 183 feet long and from 5 to 12 broad and high, penetrates a precipitous limestone crag, and is so panelled and ceiled with calcareous incrustations as to present the appearance of Gothic fretwork.

Auchenskeoch, an estate with a ruined castle, which passed from the Crichtons to the M'Kenzie, in Colvend parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Dalbeattie.

Auchentibber. See BLANTYRE.

Auchentorie, an estate, with a mansion, in Old Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire. The mansion stands amid wooded grounds in the north-western vicinity of Bowling Bay. The estate includes a portion of the Kilpatrick hills, and contains there vestiges of a Caledonian hill-fort.

Auchentoshan, a mansion amid wooded grounds in Old Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire, in the western vicinity of Duntocher. Several vestiges of Antoninus' Wall are within the grounds.

Auchentroig. See AUCHINTROIG.

Aucherachan. See ACHERACHAN.

Auchernach. See ACHERNACH.

Auchinairn. See AUCHENAIRN.

Auchinarrow. See ACHINARROW.

Auchinbee. See ACHINBEE.

Auchinblae, a market town in Fordoun parish, Kincardineshire, on a gentle rising ground, adjacent to the rivulet Luther, amid the beautiful scenery of Strathinella, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Fordoun station, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Laurencekirk. It has a park of 75 acres; contains many substantial houses, and a flax-spinning mill; presents a clean thriving appearance; and has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, under Fordoun, 2 hotels, branches of the North of Scotland and Aberdeen Town and County banks, a National Security savings' bank, a town-hall, and a mutual improvement society. Hand-loom linen weaving is extinct; cattle markets are held on the third Thursday of April, the Wednesday after the second Tuesday of May, old style, and the first Thursday of July; a cattle fair, called Paldy Fair, is held on the first Wednesday of July; a horse fair is held on the Friday after the first Tuesday of July, old style; and hiring markets are held on the 26 May, or Old Whitsunday, and on the 22 November, or Old Martinmas. Pop. (1861) 570, (1871) 496, (1881) 411, (1891) 430.

Auchincarroch, an estate, with a mansion, in Bonhill parish, Dumbartonshire, 2 miles NE of Alexandria.

Auchincass. See ACHINCASS.

Auchinchew, a romantic vale in the S of Arran, Bute-shire, descending 2 miles southward to the Sound of Pladda, 7 miles S of Lamlash. It begins at the base of Cnoc na Garhad (959 feet), a hill commanding an extensive view, and supposed to have been a watch-post of the Dalriadans, and it expands into a rocky amphitheatre, walled with lofty mural cliffs, ribbed with ravines, and streaked with leaping rills. Essiemore waterfall is the chief one of the cascades; makes a sheer leap of

about 100 feet; is sometime overarched by a brilliant rainbow; and serves, to a distance of some miles, as a landmark to mariners.

Auchincloch, a hamlet in Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Kilsyth town. Numerous human bones have been exhumed in fields adjacent to the hamlet, and are believed to be those of men who fell in the battle of Kilsyth, fought in 1645.

Auchincloich, a ruined ancient castle in Ochiltree parish, Ayrshire.

Auchincraw, a village in Coldingham parish, Berwickshire, 2 miles WSW of Reston station, and $\frac{3}{4}$ NNW of Chirnside. It has a post office under Reston, and a public school; and it was notable, in old times, for reputed pranks of witchcraft. The school, with accommodation for 104 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 48, and a grant of £50, 11s. 6d.

Auchindarroch, a mansion in Knapdale, Argyllshire. It is separated from Lochgilphead by the Crinan Canal, but most of that town is built on its estate. It is the seat of Alex. Campbell, Esq., owner of 7017 acres, valued at £1600 per annum.

Auchindinny, a village and an estate near the mutual boundary between Lasswade and Glencorse parishes, Edinburghshire. The village stands in a hollow, on Glencross Burn, near its influx to the North Esk river, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Greenlaw Barracks, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Penicuik. Auchindinny House, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of the village, was the residence of Henry Mackenzie (1745-1831), author of *The Man of Feeling*, and at it died Archibald Fletcher (1745-1828), the 'father of burgh reform.'

Auchindoir and Kearn, a united parish of W Aberdeenshire, containing the village of Lumsden, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Alford, and 8 miles SSW of Gartly station, with which it communicates daily by the Strathdon coach. Founded some sixty years ago by Mr Leith Lumsden of Clova, it has a money order, telegraph, and savings bank post office under Aberdeen, a branch of the North of Scotland Bank, an inn, a Free Church (1843), and a U.P. church (1803; 203 sittings). Fairs are held here on the first Monday of January, February, March, April, and December, and on the first Tuesday of May, the first Friday of June, and the fourth Tuesday of August. Pop. (1840) 243, (1871) 507, (1891) 501.

Kearn is much smaller than Auchindoir, of which it forms a south-eastern adjunct, and to which it was annexed in 1811, having from 1722 to 1808 been united to Forbes. The present parish is bounded N by Rhynie-Essie, E by Clatt and Tullynessle-Forbes, S by Kildrummy, and W by Cabrach. Very irregular in outline, it has an extreme length from N to S of 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from E to W of from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and a land area of 15,310 acres. The southern boundary is traced for $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile by the river Don, and further westward by its affluent, the Mossar; whilst the Bogie has here a north-north-eastward course of about 4 miles, chiefly along the Rhynie border, being formed near the parish church by the burns of Corchinan, Glenly, and Craig, which, rising in mossy ground, have a strong antiseptic quality. The Craig flows eastward through a romantic glen, the Den of Craig, makes several beautiful falls, and in the floods of 1829 rose 18 feet above its ordinary level. The surface is everywhere hilly, eminences in the half of the parish to the E of the highroad from Huntly to Alford being Badingair Hill (1556 feet above sea-level), Brux Hill (1558), Edinbanchory Hill (1531), and Lord Arthur's Cairn (1699), all of them belonging to the Correen Hills. In the western half rise the White Hill of Bogs (1341 feet), the Hill of Tombbreach (1409), and the Hill of John's Cairn (1745); but one and all are overtopped by the pyramidal, cairn-crowned BUCK or CABRACH (2368 feet), which culminates upon the western border, at the extremity of a narrow strip of Auchindoir, projecting into the parish of Cabrach. White sandstone prevailing over a wide tract from N to S, and in places of very fine quality, has been extensively worked for building purposes; and mica slate abounds in large masses on the Correen Hills, and has been quarried for paving flags. Greenstone, limestone, ser-

pentine, clay slate, talc, soapstone, and asbestos in small quantity, are also found. In the W are large stretches of peat-moss, and the hills are mostly covered with poor moorish soil; but the lower grounds present a sharp, dry, productive mould, or, above the sandstone, a rich alluvial loam. Except in the hills, the parish is well cultivated; excellent crops of barley and oats are grown, and many cattle and sheep are reared. Plantations cover a large area, but are mostly young, consisting of larch, Scotch fir, spruce, and birch, with older forest trees along the Don, and some goodly planes in the Druminnor policies. A little hill above the present church was in the 15th century surmounted by a castle, the *Castrum Auchindoræ* of Boece; and across the Craigare the ivy-clad ruins of the ancient church, a rare example of the transition from Romanesque to First Pointed, retaining an aumbry for reservation of the Eucharist, a holy-water stoup, a sculptured crucifix, and the date 1557 on the N gable. Other antiquities are three 'Piets' houses, traces of a vitrified fort on the green conical hill of Cnoc-alliochie, and numerous cairns, of which Lord Arthur's possibly gave name to Kearn; while the popular etymology of *Auchindoir* (Gael. 'field of the chase') alludes to the one historical episode with which this parish is associated—the flight through it of Lulach, Macbeth's successor, to Essie, where he was slain, 17 March 1058. Craig Castle, 1 mile W by N of the church, crowns the left bank of Craig Burn, amid the 'horrible rocks and precipices, the caves and dens,' described in Johnston's *Parerga* (Aberdeen, 1632). Its oldest portion is a huge square keep, 60 feet high, which, bearing date 1528, is probably of earlier erection, additions having been made to it in 1667, 1726, and 1832, these latest the most considerable. For nearly three centuries it has been the seat of a branch of the Gordons, whose present representative owns 3333 acres in the shire, of an annual value of £1339. Druminnor House (the original Castle Forbes, 1456) is another fine old mansion in the Baronial style, and dates in its present state from 1577, six years before which time, according to tradition, it was the scene of the murder at a banquet of several Gordons by the Forbeses. It stands in a well-timbered park on the left bank of the Burn of Kearn, an affluent of the Bogie that traces the upper half of the eastern boundary; and it is now the seat of Robert Grant, owner of 4197 acres of £2902 value. The House of Clova, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of Lumsden, with a Roman Catholic church (1880) in its grounds, is the seat of Hugh Gordon Lumsden, owner of 15,499 acres of £6687 value; and 1 other proprietor holds a rental of £500 upwards, 1 of between £100 and £500, while 7 hold each from £20 to £50. Auchindoir is in the presbytery of Alford and synod of Aberdeen. The church (1811; 450 sittings) stands 2 miles N by E of Lumsden; its minister's income is £178. Also within the parish, but close to the Rhynie boundary, are the Episcopal church of St Mary (1859; 56 attendants), an Early English edifice, and the Free church of Rhynie. Two public schools, Craig and Lumsden, with respective accommodation for 48 and 200 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 28 and 155, and grants of £39, 10s. and £148, 6s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £6405, 9s. 1d. Pop. (1821) 889, (1841) 1188, (1861) 1593, (1881) 1514, (1891) 1374.—*Ord. Sur.*, s. 76, 1874.

Auchindoun, a ruined castle on the left side of Glen Fiddich, in Mortlach parish, Banffshire, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles SE of Duftton. Massive and three-storied, it crowns a steep limestone rock, at least 200 feet high, which is washed on three sides by the Fiddich, and on the fourth is guarded by a moat; within it contains a noble Gothic hall, its vaulted roof upborne on fluted pillars. Supposed to date from the 11th century, it is said to have been rebuilt by the 'mason' Cochrane, James III.'s minion, who was hanged over Lauder Bridge in 1482; and to have passed from the Ogilvies to the Gordons about 1535. Sir Adam Gordon of Auchindoun, sixth son of the fourth Earl of Huntly, defeated the Forbeses at the Craibstone in 1571, and afterwards burned the castle of Towie; his brother and successor, Sir Patrick, was one

of the signers of the 'Spanish blanks' in 1592, and was slain at Glenlivet, 4 Oct. 1594. The ballad that tells how Auchindoun was burned by Willie Macintosh, about 1544 or 1670 (both dates have been given, with tragical and circumstantial details), seems not to rest on any firmer basis than does that of 'Fair Helen of Auchintoul'; we only know that somewhere about 200 years have passed since last the castle was inhabited. Queen Mary rode by it in 1562; and in 1867 Queen Victoria picnicked on the opposite bank with the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, owner of all the old barony of Auchindoun. See chap. iii. of James Brown's *Round Table Club*.

Auchindrain, a hamlet in Inverary parish, Argyllshire, 6 miles SSW of Inverary.

Auchingill, a village in Cannishay parish, Caithness, on the coast, 10 miles N of Wick.

Auchingramont, a suburb of Hamilton, in Lanarkshire. It has a United Presbyterian church.

Auchingray, an estate, with a mansion, in New Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, adjacent to Linlithgowshire and to Hillend reservoir, 7 miles ENE of Airdrie.

Auchingree, a hamlet in Dalry parish, Ayrshire. A factory for turnery work is here, and two Roman urns were found in the neighbourhood.

Auchinhew. See AUCHINCHEW.

Auchinhove, an estate in Lumphanan parish, Aberdeenshire. It belonged to the Duguids from about the year 1434; it was forfeited by the representative in 1745, in result of his joining the Pretender's forces; and the mansion on it was burned by a party of the Duke of Cumberland's soldiers.

Auchinleck (often pronounced Affleck=Gael. *achadh-nan-leac*, 'field of the flat flagstone'), a village and a parish of Kyle, E Ayrshire. The village has a station on the Glasgow and South-Western, the junction for Muirkirk, and by rail is $15\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Ayr, $13\frac{1}{2}$ SSE of Kilmarnock, $44\frac{1}{2}$ NW of Dumfries, and $47\frac{1}{2}$ S by W of Glasgow. It contains the parish church (built 1838, and seating 800), a United Original Secession church, a Roman Catholic chapel, several inns, a post office, with money order, telegraph, and savings bank departments, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 312 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 240 day and 52 evening scholars, and grants of £221 and £26, 10s. A fair for grit ewes and hogs is held here on the last Thursday in March, and an important lamb fair on the last Tuesday in August. Pop. (1861) 1053, (1871) 1199, (1881) 1528, (1891) 1489.

The parish contains, too,—likewise, in its western half,—the villages and stations of LUGAR and Cronberry, and the hamlet of Darnconan. It is bounded N by Mauchline, Sorn, and Muirkirk; NE by Muirkirk and Lanarkshire; SE by Dumfriesshire and New Cumnock; S by Old Cumnock; and W by Ochiltree. From E to W., viz., from Threshire Stone to the confluence of Dippol Burn and Lugar Water, it is $15\frac{1}{2}$ miles long; its breadth from N to S varies between $\frac{3}{4}$ mile and 5 miles; and its area is 24,295 acres, of which $165\frac{1}{2}$ are water. Guelt and Glenmore Waters, head-streams of the 'winding LUGAR,' trace with the latter all the southern and the western boundary; that to the extreme N, from Dalfram to just above South Limmerhaugh, a distance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, is marked by the river AYN, which is joined by the Lugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile beyond the NW extremity of Auchinleck. By these and by the Lugar's tributaries, Gass Water and Auchinleck Burn, the drainage everywhere is carried westward; and westward the surface everywhere declines, elevations from E to W being Stony Hill (1843 feet), Auchintech (1527), West Fore-dibban (1489), Black Hill (1404), Wardlaw Hill (1630), Whiteyards (1235), Glenmuir (1025), Airdsmoss (753), and Darnlaw (489). Nearly two-thirds of the surface are occupied by cold, bleak uplands, fit only for the pasturage of sheep, and by AIRDSMOSS, the broad, wild swamp, so sadly famous in Cameronian story; thence onward, some 4 miles to the western border, low grounds present a fertile fairly-wooded aspect, level and somewhat tame. But if outwardly poor for the most

part, the soil has its hidden treasures, ironstone, limestone, and coal; a lease of which upon the Auchinleck estate, obtained about 1848 by the owners of the Clyde Iron-works, has passed to the Eglinton Company. Their Lugar iron-works have several furnaces in blast, and one ironstone mine (Cronberry) and two collieries (Ballochmyle and Gilmillinscroft) are at work within the parish. The lands of Auchinleck were granted in 1504 by James IV. to Thomas Boswell, a cadet of the Balmuto line, who had married a daughter and co-heiress of Sir John Auchinleck of that ilk. Among his descendants were Alexander Boswell, Lord Auchinleck (d. 1782), a judge of the Court of Session; his son, James Boswell (1740-95), 'the first of biographers'; and his son, Sir Alexander Boswell, Bart. (1775-1822), remembered by his black-letter library, his Auchinleck printing-press, and his death in a duel. Auchinleck House (still the property of the Boswell family, and transferred in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners from the parish of Ochiltree to the parish of Stair) stands $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of the village, is a good Grecian edifice built by Lord Auchinleck shortly before his death, and therefore is not the house where Johnson stayed in 1773. Near it are the remains of the baronial fortalice, figured by Grose, and thus referred to by the lexicographer:—'I was less delighted with the elegance of the modern mansion than with the sullen dignity of the old castle. I clambered among the ruins, which afford striking images of ancient life. It is, like other castles, built upon a point of rock, and was, I believe, anciently surrounded with a moat.' Another ruin is Kyle Castle, 7 miles ESE of the village, at the confluence of the Glenmore and Guelt. Natives are William McGavin (1773-1832), author of *The Protestant*, and the Rev. A. K. H. Boyd, 'The Country Parson' (b. 1825); Peden, the Prophet of the Covenant, was laid in the kirkyard (1686), whence, forty days after, his body was lifted by dragons, to be reinterred beneath the Old Cumnock gallows. Lady Boswell's trustees hold almost two-thirds of the valued rental, the rest being divided among the Marquis of Bute and other proprietors. Held in 1265 by the Abbey of Paisley, this parish is in the presbytery of Ayr and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; its minister's income is £162. There are also established churches at Lugar and Darnconnar; whilst under the school-board are five schools—the one at the village, and at Glenmuir, Cronberry, Darnconnar, Lugar Iron Works, and a Roman Catholic school. These, with a total accommodation for 1538 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 1087, and grants amounting to £968, 13s. 6d. Valuation of lands £24,797, 19s. 3d.; of railways, £6832. Pop. (1831) 1662, (1861) 4213, (1871) 6174, (1881) 6681, (1891) 6202.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 14, 15, 1863-64.

Auchinloch. See AUCHENLOCH.

Auchinmully, or Lower Banton, a village in Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Kilsyth. It is inhabited chiefly by miners, colliers, and sickle-makers. The church of Banton stands about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the S.

Auchinraith. See BLANTYRE.

Auchinskich. See AUCHENSKEIGH.

Auchintibber. See BLANTYRE.

Auchintibber, a hamlet in Kilwinning parish, Ayrshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Kilwinning village. A public school at it, with accommodation for 110 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 55, and a grant of £54, 2s. 6d.

Auchintoul, an estate, with a mansion, in Marnoch parish, Banffshire. The estate comprises upwards of 3400 acres, contains the village of Aberchirder, and belonged to General Gordon, who rose to high command in the Russian army under Peter the Great, wrote a memoir of that monarch in two volumes, took part in the Jacobite insurrection in 1715, and commanded the Highland clans at Sheriffmuir. The mansion occupies a commanding site within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Aberchirder; was partly built by General Gordon, and much improved within the present century; and is a plain large edifice, forming three sides of a square. It belongs now to the Duke of Fife.

Auchintoig, a hamlet, with a public school, in Drymen parish, W Stirlingshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Backlyvie station.

Auchiries, a village in Cruden parish, E Aberdeenshire, $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Ellon. At it are Cruden post office and a public school.

Auchlane, a hamlet and a burn in Kelton parish, Kirkcudbrightshire. The hamlet lies on the burn, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW by S of Castle-Douglas. The burn rises on Bengaim, and runs about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward, north-westward, and westward to the Dee, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile below Bridge of Dee.

Auchleeks. See BLAIR ATHOLE.

Auchlee, an estate in Banchory-Devenick parish, Kincardineshire. Two well-preserved Caledonian stone circles are on it; and one of them consists of a double row of stones, and had in its centre a stone coffin.

Auchleven, a village in Fremnary parish, Aberdeenshire, on the river Gady, $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Inverurie. It has a post office under Inch, a two-arched bridge built in 1836, and a carding and spinning woollen mill.

Auchlishie. See ACHLISHIE.

Auchlochan, a hamlet in Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire, on the river Nethan, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Abbeygreen.

Auchlossan, a quondam lake in Aboyne and Lumphanan parishes, Aberdeenshire, adjacent to the Deeside Extension railway, 25 miles W by S of Aberdeen. It was partially drained near the close of the 17th century; it afterwards covered about 180 acres with open water, and about 60 with aquatic marsh; it abounded with various kinds of fish, including pike of unusual size and weight; it also was frequented by flocks of waterfowl, so plentifully as to be one of the best spots for duck-shooting in the N of Scotland; but, at the same time, it was a nuisance to the surrounding country, exhaling so much noxious gas from decaying vegetation as to injure the salubrity of the climate. The Marquis of Huntly, Farquharson of Finzean, and Shaw of Auchinlough were proprietors of the lands around it; and in 1859 they jointly formed a plan to have it drained by a tenant under an advantageous lease of the loch itself, and of 180 contiguous acres of arable land. A tenant was not found till 1860, when Mr James W. Barclay got possession and commenced operations; and he proceeded with such success as to have upwards of 20 acres of the lake's bottom under an excellent crop of oats in 1863, and all the rest of the bottom under luxuriant crops of grain in 1868. The draining was done, partly by deep cutting, partly by tunnelling, partly by other operations, and cost upwards of £6000; but it proved abundantly compensating, and serves as a fine model for bold, sweeping, agricultural improvements. A black alluvial subsoil, becoming almost white on exposure to the atmosphere, was found to lie near the surface over all the bottom; and under the treatment which Mr Barclay gave it, proved to possess similar fertility to that of the virgin soils of the American prairies. Both the bulk of straw and the yield of grain in the crops raised upon it have been extraordinary. The straw of the year 1868 was sold for more than £500; and the grain weighed from 40 lb. to 44 lb. per bushel.

Auchlunkart. See BOHAEM.

Auchmacoy, an estate, with an elegant turreted mansion, built about 1835, in Logie-Buchan parish, E Aberdeenshire, near the left bank of the Ythan, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Ellon. The estate has belonged since 1818 to the Buchans of Auchmacoy, one of whom, General Buchan, was defeated at the Hanghs of Cromdale (1690); its present owner is Miss Louisa Buchan (suc. 1874).

Auchmannoch, an estate, with a mansion, in Sorn parish, Ayrshire, 5 miles NE of Mauchline. Auchmannoch Muir (964 feet) extends from behind the mansion 2 miles north-eastward into mergence with Barr Muir in Galston parish.

Auchmedden. See ABERDOUR, Aberdeenshire.

Auchmill, or Auchmull, a village in Newhills parish, SE Aberdeenshire, 3 miles NW of Aberdeen. It has a

post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, extensive paper mills, three inns, and the Newhills Free church. Pop. (1891) 2448.

Auchmillan, a village in Mauchline parish, Ayrshire, 2 miles NE of Mauchline town.

Auchmithie, a fishing village in St. Vigeans parish, Forfarshire, on a rocky bank rising about 150 feet from the beach, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles NNE of Arbroath. It holds of the Earl of Northesk, is irregularly built, but contains several good houses, and has a sort of harbour at the foot of an opening in the rocky bank, a post office under Arbroath, a hotel, a public hall, and a *quoad sacra* parish church (1885; minister's salary, £120). Water and drainage works were formed in 1880. Auchmithie is the 'Musselcrag' of Scott's *Antiquary*. A new fishery harbour has been erected, but in storms the fishermen have still to haul their boats inward from the beach, to prevent their destruction by the violence of the waves. Pop. (1871) 412, (1881) 359, (1891) 353.

Auchmore. See ACHMORE.

Auchmull. See AUCHMILL.

Auchmure, a tract, including Auchmure Braes, Auchmure Bridge, East Auchmure, West Auchmure, and South Auchmure, at the eastern verge of Kinross-shire, on or near the river Leven, $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles W by S of Leslie.

Auchmuty, a village conjoint with Balbirnie Mills in Markinch parish, Fife, on the river Leven, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile W of Markinch town. Pop., with Balbirnie Mills (1871) 403, (1881) 447, (1891) 419.

Auchnacarry. See ACHNACARRY.

Auchnacraig. See ACHNACRAIG.

Auchnacree, an estate, with a mansion, in Fearn parish, Forfarshire.

Auchnagatt, a hamlet in Old Deer parish, Aberdeenshire, on the Aberdeen and Fraserburgh railway, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Ellon. It has a post office with telegraph department under Ellon, and a railway station.

Auchnashow, a small strath in the W side of Kildonan parish, Sutherland, descending to Helmsdale Water.

Auchnamara, a burn in North Knapdale parish, Argyllshire.

Auchnasheen, a hamlet of SW Ross-shire on the Dingwall and Skye railway, $27\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Dingwall. It has a post office with telegraph department at railway station.

Auchnashellach, a station, with a post office, in the SW of Ross-shire, on the Dingwall and Skye railway, in Strathcarron, 12 miles NE of Strome Ferry.

Auchness, a burn in Dallas parish, Elginshire, running to the Lossie.

Auchrannie. See ACHRANNIE.

Auchriddie, a hamlet in the N of Aberdeenshire. Its post-town is New Deer under Aberdeen.

Auchy, an estate, with an old mansion (Jn. F. Lumsden, Esq.), in Monquhitter parish, Aberdeenshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Turriff.

Auchter, a rivulet in the NE centre of Lanarkshire. It rises near Bontyhillock in Carluke parish; runs some distance along the boundary between Carluke and Cambusnethan; and pursues a serpentine course through the centre of Cambusnethan to the South Calder at Bridgend.

Auchterarder (Gael. *uachdar-ard-thir*, 'upper high land'), a town (formed into a burgh in 1892) and a parish in Strathearn, SE Perthshire. The town is seated on the brow of a low hill, $3\frac{1}{4}$ furlongs from the left bank of Ruthven Water, which is spanned by a bridge (rebuilt in 1880) that leads to a station on the Scottish Central section of the Caledonian, this station being 1 mile SE of Auchterarder, $13\frac{3}{4}$ miles SW of Perth, $19\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Stirling, $49\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Glasgow, and 56 NW of Edinburgh. A castle, small but very strong, remains of which stand $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NW of the parish church, is said to have been built as a hunting-seat by Malcolm Ceanmor (1058-93), who is further believed to have given to the town the western commonage of 228 acres; but the earliest certain mention of Auchterarder occurs in the charter granted to INOHAFRAY by its founder, Gilbert, Earl of Strathearn (1200), wherein he endowed that Austin canonry with the church of St Mackessock of Auchterarder. On the

same abbey in 1227 Alexander II. conferred the teinds of his rents of Auchterarder, which, as the head burgh of Strathearn—perhaps a royal burgh—had a common seal, and returned a member to parliament. It figures in two ordinances of Edward I. of England; and Robert Bruce in 1328 bestowed its lands on one of his great barons, but confirmed the liberties of the burgh and its burgesses as they had been in the reign of Alexander III. We know not when or how those liberties were lost, but in 1581 an Act described 'Vechtirardour' as 'pure and oppressiv be brokin men and lymmeris,' whilst ordaining that a yearly fair for the encouragement of trade be held there, in all time coming, on the 25 Nov. (old style). According to the *New Statistical*, Auchterarder was one of the Scottish towns ironically compared by George Buchanan with the fine English cities. Some English noblemen vaunting the latter to King James, the Scot replied that he knew a town in Scotland with 50 drawbridges; the explanation being that at 'a country village between Stirling and Perth, called Auchterardoch, there is a large strand running through the middle of the town, and almost at every door there is a long stock or stone laid over this strand, whereupon they pass to their opposite neighbours, and when a flood comes they lift their wooden bridges in case they should be taken away, and these they call drawbridges.' On 28 Jan. 1716, when the royalist troops under the Duke of Argyll were advancing upon Perth, the Earl of Mar burned the whole of Auchterarder except one house; and on the 30th, when Argyll arrived, he could find no accommodation, but spent the night upon the snow, 'without any other covering than the fine canopy of heaven.' Newte, who visited this place in 1782, says that it 'seems to have lain under the curse of God ever since it was burnt. The dark heath of the moors of Orehill and Tullibardine, a Gothic castle belonging to the Duke of Athole,—the naked summits of the distant Grampians—and the frequent visitations of the presbytery, who are eternally recommending fast-days, and destroying the peace of society by prying into little slips of life, together with the desolation of the place, render Auchterarder a melancholy scene, wherever you turn your eyes, except towards Perth and the lower Strathearn, of which it has a partial prospect.' Fifty years later it rose to fame by becoming the scene of the first, and not the least, of those struggles in the Established Church that ended in the Disruption, thus:—'The Evangelical party in the Church had always held it as a principle that the Church could not, without sin, act under any system of patronage that was subversive of the congregational call; and that party, having now become the majority, passed in 1834 the Veto Act, according to which no minister was to be intruded on a parish contrary to the will of the people. In the autumn of the same year Mr Young was presented by the patron to Auchterarder. But as a majority of the parishioners were opposed to his settlement, the non-intrusion party declared the presentation to be null and void. Thereon both patron and presentee appealed to the Court of Session, which decreed (1837) that the presbytery proceed to ordain Mr Young. The Court disclaimed any desire or any right to interfere with the Church, or to review or interfere with the decisions of her courts, when acting within her own recognised constitution: only it claimed, as representing the law, a third party, neither Church nor State, the right to decide first, the legal point, that, in terms of the compact between the Church and the State, the former had no right to alter the constitution on whose basis she was established, and therefore that passing the Veto Act was *ultra vires* of the Church; and, secondly, the civil case between parties within the Church, in which one party complained of being injuriously affected by the illegal proceedings of another. As soon as this decision was given, the non-intrusion party declared that the Church of Scotland was the creature of the State, or was Erastian in constitution, inasmuch as she recognised the right of the State to interfere, and of the civil courts to judge, in matters falling within her proper

sphere and jurisdiction. And the same party appeared in the General Assembly of 1838 (being a majority) that the supremacy and sole headship of the Lord Jesus Christ they would assert, and at all hazards defend. When the judgment had been confirmed on appeal by the House of Lords, May 1839, the General Assembly by a large majority passed a resolution pledging the Church implicitly to obey the civil courts in all matters of civil interest, but firmly refusing their control in things spiritual. . . . A second case arose out of the patron and the presentee raising an action for damages against the presbytery, which the Court of Session decided they were entitled to. In the first case it had been decided by the Supreme Civil Court, simply that the presbytery had acted illegally in setting the presentee aside by the Veto Act; and from the injurious effects of this new interpretation (as the non-intrusion party considered it) of the law of patronage, the Church might have been protected by a legislative change in that law. When the negotiations for relief in that way failed, the party desiring it passed in the Assembly of 1842 their "Claim, Declaration, and Protest." . . . Matters were supposed to be made worse than ever by the decision of the House of Lords, confirming on appeal that of the Court of Session in the second Auchterarder case' (article 'Free Church' in *Globe Encyclopaedia*. See also *Church of Scotland, Past and Present*).

Chiefly consisting of one main street, extending north-eastward for over a mile along the great highroad from Stirling to Perth, Auchterarder wears a modern and prosperous aspect. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland and the Union Bank, gas-works, several hotels, Auchterarder and Smeaton libraries, Young Men's Christian Association, Co-operative Society, Moray Institute, a Freemasons' lodge, and 1 mile SSW a new combination poorhouse for Auchterarder and 15 neighbouring parishes. The principal public buildings are the town-hall and the Aytoun public hall. The former stands near the middle of the town, and, founded in 1872, cost £1600, and has accommodation for 600 persons. The latter was erected (1870-72) as a memorial to the late Captain Aytoun of Glendevon, who introduced the town's water supply in 1832, and cost, with its fountain, more than £2000. The burgh owns about 200 acres of arable land, which was unsuccessfully bored for coal in 1873, yielding instead a splendid flow of excellent water, known as the Coalbore Springs, which have run ever since. Places of worship are the parish church (1784-1811; 930 sittings); the Free church (1843-45) with a tower 80 feet high, and with a stained-glass window (1879) representing the 'Good Shepherd'; 2 U.P. churches, North and South; and a Roman Catholic chapel (1879). A sheriff small debt court sits on the last Monday of January, April, July, and October, and has jurisdiction over the parishes of Auchterarder, Dunning, Glendevon, Blackford, and Trinity Gask; Saturday is market-day; and cattle fairs are held on the first Wednesday of February, May, and December, the last Wednesday of March, and the Wednesday before October Falkirk Tryst, the greatest being the December fair. The manufacture of tartan and galas is a thriving industry; and there are several woollen mills, dyeworks, a brewery, a malt kiln, flour mills, and a saw mill. Pop. (1891) 2524.

The parish contains also the villages of ABERUTHVEN, $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles NE of the town, and Boreland Park, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile W by S; and it comprises the ancient parish of Aberuthven, annexed some time before the Revolution. Bounded NW and N by Trinity Gask, E by Dunning, S by Glendevon, and W by Blackford, it has an extreme length from N to S of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from E to W of from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of $11,227\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which $46\frac{1}{2}$ are water, and $12\frac{1}{2}$ being separated by a detached portion of Dunning parish, were transferred to that parish by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. The EARN traces the northern boundary, and from it the surface rises southward to the green, pastoral Oohils, attaining 67 feet at the NE angle of the parish, 200 near Coul, 500

just to the SE of the town, 400 by the poorhouse, 1250 in Craig Rossie and Beld Hill, 1000 near Upper Cloan, 1096 in Black Mallet, 1306 in Muckle Law, 1559 in Corb Law, 1582 in Sim's Hill, 1594 in Steele's Knowe, and 1552 in Carlowine Hill, these 4 last culminating on the south-eastern or the southern border. Ruthven Water, rising in the SE of Blackford parish on the western slope of the Seat (1408 feet), flows first north-north-westward through Glen Eagles to Tullibardine Castle, thence north-north-eastward past Kincardine Castle, and so on through Auchterarder parish to its confluence with the Earn, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Aberuthven, after a course of some $9\frac{1}{4}$ miles. At 3 furlongs SW of Auchterarder station, or just beyond the confines of the parish, its narrow dell is spanned by a splendid eight-arched railway viaduct, 498 feet long and 98 high; and, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of this, its principal affluent, the Painry Burn, winding $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-north-westward from Corb Law, and itself receiving the Coul Burn (2 miles long) from Sim's Hill, is crossed by another viaduct of 2 successive arches, the upper one carrying the railway over, and the lower the Dunning road. Trap rocks form the main mass of the hills, and intersect the low country with dykes; while sandstone of various kinds, some of them quarried for building purposes, abounds through the centre and the N, where limestone also is found. Coal has been sought without success; but agate, chalcedony, jasper, and other precious minerals are fairly plentiful among the skirts of the hills. The soil is various—clayey loam in the N, sandy in the E, and a rich black loam near the town; nearly one-half of the entire area is pasture or waste, and plantations cover some 300 acres. On the summit and western slope of Beld Hill are traces of ancient encampments, outposts probably of the Roman station at Ardoch; and other antiquities are the ruins of Malcolm's castle, of ABERUTHVEN church, and of the old parish church of Auchterarder, which, standing $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of the town, was dedicated to St Mungo or Kentigern, and was either of Norman or First Pointed origin. Auchterarder House in Elizabethan, and Colearn in Scottish Baronial style, are both of modern erection; and 6 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 14 of between £100 and £500, 13 of from £50 to £100, and 54 of from £20 to £50. Auchterarder is the seat of a presbytery in the synod of Perth and Stirling; its minister's income is £250. Under the school-board there are the 3 public schools of Auchterarder (an Elizabethan structure, erected in 1875 at a cost of £2000), Townhead, and Aberuthven, and a charity school (now closed), founded by John Sheddian, Esq., of Lochie, in 1811, to furnish free education to 12 poor children, and endowed with land of £1000 value. With respective accommodation for 296, 100, and 153 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 175, 149, and 61, and grants of £141, 2s., £143, 1s. 6d., and £40, 17s. Valuation (1891-92) £17,735, 16s. Pop. (1755) 1194, (1801) 2042, (1831) 3182, (1861) 4208, (1871) 3795, (1881) 3648, (1891) 3494.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 39, 47, 1869.

The presbytery of Auchterarder comprehends Ardoch, Auchterarder, Blackford, Comrie, Crieff, Crieff West church (*quoad sacra*), Dunning, Foulis-West, Gask, Glendevon, Madderty, Monzie, Monzievaird and Strowan, Muthill, Trinity Gask, and St Fillans. Pop. (1891) 18,567, of whom 4886 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, the sums raised by the above 16 congregations amounting to £2657. The Free Church, too, has a presbytery of Auchterarder, whose churches at Aberuthven, Auchterarder, Blackford, Braco, Comrie, Crieff, Dunning, Madderty, Monzie, and Muthill had 2544 communicants in 1891.

Auchterderran, a hamlet and a parish of SW Fife. The hamlet stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N by W of CARPENDEN station, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ NE of LOCHGELLY, a town with a head post office and another station, lying within the western border of this parish. The latter is bounded N by Kinross-shire and Kinglassie, E by Kinglassie and Dysart, SE by Kirkcaldy and Abbotshall, S by Auchtertool, SW by Beath, and W by Ballingray. With a very irregular outline, rudely resembling a cross, it has a length from E to W of from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from N to S of

from 3 furlongs to 4½ miles, and an area of 7968½ acres, of which 150¼ are water. Some 60 acres of the parish of Ballingry, near Spittal, that were surrounded by Auchterderran parish, were transferred to the latter by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. Loch Gelly (5½ × 3¼ furlongs) lies on the Auchtertool border, and sends off a rivulet to the ORE, a sluggish stream, which winds along a low alluvial plain, traversed by the Dunfermline branch of the North British railway.

‘Colquhally and the Sillertoun,
Pitcairo and Bowhill,
Should clear their haughs ere Lammas spates
The Ore begin to fill —

so the rhyme warns four farms in Auchterderran, and the warning is wholesome enough, since the Ore very readily overflows its banks. N and S of it hills rise to a height of 400 and 500 feet above sea-level, points of elevation being Charleston (344 feet), Harelaw (445), Auchterderran hamlet (287), Wester Colquhally (504), Lochgelly House (500), and Muirhead (437). The soil, mixed clay and sand, or black earth resting upon trap, is principally cold and stiff, yet there are large well-cultivated farms. Woods occupy some 520 acres; and the entire surface is parcelled out into arable and pasture lands, plantations, limestone quarries, coal and ironstone mines, thoroughfares, etc. The mining interest is very extensive; and a number of collieries, belonging chiefly to the Carboniferous Limestone series, are at work, that of Lochgelly being noteworthy for the great fire of 1870-71. A ruin, named Carden Tower, near the SE border, is the only antiquity. Four proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 13 of between £100 and £500, 7 of from £50 to £100, and 21 of from £20 to £50. For ecclesiastical and school-board purposes, Auchterderran forms one *quoad sacra* parish, and Lochgelly another, both in the presbytery of Kirkealdy and synod of Fife. The ancient church of Auchterderran was given by Fothad, last Bishop of Alban (1059-93), to God, St Serf, and the hermit Culdeus of Lochleven; the present building was erected at the hamlet in 1789, and extended in 1891; its minister's income is £306. The public school, with accommodation for 403 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 228, and a grant of £229, 17s. 6d. Valuation (1891-92) £19,452, 15s. Pop. of *quoad sacra* portion (1871) 1623, (1881) 1747, (1891) 2042; of entire parish (1811) 2403, (1841) 3352, (1871) 4017, (1881) 4332, (1891) 6185, of whom 3953 were in Lochgelly burgh.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Auchtergaven (Gael. *uachdar-gamhainn*, ‘upland of the yearling cattle’), a village and a parish in the Strath-tay district of Perthshire. The village of Auchtergaven or Bankfoot stands at 226 feet above sea-level, on the Corral Burn, a little above its confluence with the Garry, and on the highroad from Perth to Dunkeld, and is 3½ miles NNW of Luncarty station on the Highland railway, this being 4½ miles N by W of Perth. A modern place, it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, gas-works, and several inns, at one of which the Queen changed horses, 7 Sept. 1842. Here, too, are the parish church, an oblong building with a tower, seating nearly 1200, and erected about 1812; a Free and a U.P. church, and a Roman Catholic chapel; a public hall; and a public school, which, with accommodation for 312 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 167, and a grant of £176, 13s. 6d. Weaving is the staple industry, many of the inhabitants being employed in the neighbouring Airleywight linen works.

The parish contains also the station and most of the village of STANLEY, at its south-eastern angle, 3¼ miles ESE of Bankfoot, and the hamlet of Waterloo, 1½ mile NNW; and it comprises the small old parish of Logie-bridge, annexed in 1618 and again about 1647. It is bounded NE by Little Dunkeld; E by Kinclaven, parted from it by the Benshiel Burn; SE for 1¼ mile by the winding TAY, separating it from Cargill and St Martins, and by Redgorton; S by Moneydie; SW by the Shochie Burn, dividing it from Monzie and the Mullion portion

of Redgorton; W by Little Dunkeld and the Tully-beagles portion of Methven. It has a length from NW to SE of from 1½ to 6½ miles, an extreme width of 5 miles, and an area of 13,004¼ acres, of which 63½ are water, and 121¼ lay detached until 1891, when they were transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish of Moneydie, and another part—that adjoining the detached part of Redgorton parish—was transferred to the parish of Monzie, while to Auchtergaven was transferred the detached part of Methven parish (2823 acres). The Benshiel, the confluent GARRY and ORDIE, the SHOCHIE, and lesser burns, all take a SE or ESE course towards the Tay; and the surface accordingly in the WNW direction has an altitude above sea-level of 107 feet at Newmill, 207 near Loak, 282 at Rashieley, 392 near Tully-belton House, 464 near Corrielea, 1022 near Drumquhar, and 1493 in Crag na Criche; in the NW, of 230 feet near Stanley, 320 near Ardonachie, 378 near Coulterrenny, 429 near Muirlands, 578 at Upper Obney, and 1323 in the Obney Hills. The tract along the Tay ends in bold rocky banks; and a spit from it crosses the river's bed near Stanley, forming the celebrated Liun of Campsie. Cairn-leith Moss in the NE was once a dismal waste, a robbers' fastness, and the spot where legal retribution was signally dealt upon Highland caterans; but it has been so drained, planted, and otherwise improved as well to harmonise with what Scott described as ‘one of the loveliest and richest views of Scotland—the NW opening of Strathmore.’ The rocks of the hills are clay-slate and grey-wacke, with masses of quartz and roofing slates, both blue and grey; those in the S are chiefly Devonian; and close-grained sandstone, greenish and taking a fine polish, is quarried here. The soils are various, but may be generally described as sandy loam, mixed with gravel or small stones. Antiquities are St Bride's Well, marking the site of Logiebridge church, 1½ mile SW of Bankfoot, a stone circle, standing stones at three different points, and a court hill. Thomas Nairne of Mukkersy had a charter of the lands of Auchtergaven in 1605; his grandson, Robert Nairne of Strathord (d. 1683), was, for loyalty in the Great Rebellion, created Lord Nairne in the peerage of Scotland in 1681. John, the third lord (1691-1777), was out in the '15, and again in the '45; on the second occasion he had just done building Nairne House, near Loak, to which in September he welcomed Prince Charles Edward, and which three years later was wholly demolished by the Duke of Athole, its purchaser. The forfeited title was restored in 1824 to William Murray Nairne (1757-1830), husband of Carolina Oliphant GASK; with William, their son, it became extinct in 1837, but was again revived in 1874 in favour of Baroness Keith of MEIKLEOUR. Robert Nicoll (1814-37), styled ‘Scotland's second Burns’ by Ebenezer Elliot, was born at Little Tullybelton farm, and records how ‘the memories o' his father's hame and its kindly dwellers a’

‘Are twined wi' the stanes o' the silver burn
An' its fairy crooks and bays,
That onward sang 'neath the golden broom
Upon bonnie Ordie braes’—

those braes where a boy he tended cattle, as is told in the touching memoir prefixed to the latest and best edition of his *Poems* (Paisley, 1877). The principal residences are Stanley House, Airleywight, and Tully-belton House, at whose predecessor (then owned by Patrick Græme of Inchbrakie) the great Marquis of Montrose arrived in disguise, to enter on his campaign of 1644-45. Baroness Nairne, the Duke of Athole, Sir Archibald Drummond-Stewart, and two others, hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards; 3 proprietors hold between £100 and £200, 2 between £50 and £100, and 10 between £20 and £50. In 1877 STANLEY was erected into a *quoad sacra* parish; the remainder of Auchtergaven is in the presbytery of Dunkeld and synod of Perth and Stirling, its minister's income being £271. Valuation of civil parish (1891-92) £13,155, 11s. 7d. Pop. thereof (1755) 1677, (1831) 3417, (1871) 2141, (1881) 2194, (1891) 2092; of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 1338, (1891) 1263.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Auchterhouse, a village and a parish of SW Forfarshire. The village or Kirkton of Auchterhouse, occupying a central position, has a post office under Dundee, and, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile WSW, a station with telegraph office on the Caledonian, $12\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Dundee and $4\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Newtyle. At it stands the parish church, described in Muir's *Characteristics of Old Church Architecture* (Edinb. 1861):—'Erected in 1630 on the site of a decayed church, as appears by some fragments of tracery and other carved work lying about, it consists of chancel, 27 feet by 21 feet 5 inches, nave, 56 feet 7 inches by 33 feet, and a square tower at the W end. All the windows are square-topped, and of three lights, except the E one, which is of two lights and placed in the gable. The chancel doorway is also flat-headed, that in the nave is of semi-classic character, with a three-centred arch, impost, and moulded jambs. On the N side both divisions of the church are blank. The chancel arch is acutely pointed, and may possibly be a remnant of the older building, though it has nothing of the patched appearance of an ancient fabric remodelled.' This the last specimen of early church architecture in Scotland contains some 400 sittings, and has a mortuary chapel of the Airlie family.

The parish includes also the hamlets of Dronley near the S, and of Boniton near the NW, border. It is bounded N by Glamis, E by Glamis, Tealing, and Mains, S by Liff and Perthshire, W by Lundie, and NW by Newtyle. It had a land area of 5708 acres previous to 1891, when the two detached portions of the parishes of Caputh and Tealing (of 285 and 195 acres respectively) were added to it by the Boundary Commissioners. The southern border is traced by a rivulet, which, flowing eastward out of Lundie, unites near Dronley with the Dronley Burn to form the DIGHTY; and from a point near the confluence of these two streams the surface rises northward and north-westward up to the Sidlaw Hills—to 552 feet at 3 furlongs SE of the Kirkton, 1399 feet in Auchterhouse Hill at the NE angle of the parish, and 950 feet in a summit behind East Mains, $2\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs from the western boundary. About five-eighths of the entire area are under cultivation, one-fourth is under wood, and one-twelfth in hill pasture; the cultivated portion having for the most part a soil of black mould over a stratum of till or clay, or a bed of marl incumbent upon rock, and mixed in some places with sand. The rocks are chiefly Devonian, even in the hills, but there are intersected by trap dykes or overlaid with expanded trap; and sandstone is worked by two stone merchants. 'Weems,' or ancient cave-dwellings, occur, and in one of them were found a quern, some bones, and a brass ring. The fine old baronial mansion of Auchterhouse, 1 mile SW of the Kirkton, is a seat of the Earl of Airlie, who holds more than half of the rental of the whole parish, three other proprietors dividing most of the remainder; near it are fragments of a castle, said to have belonged to a Sir John Ramsay, and to have been visited by Wallace on his landing at Montrose with French auxiliaries. In the words of an old metrical record—

'Good Sir John Ramsay, and the Ruthven true,
Barclay and Bisset, with men not a few,
Do Wallace meet,—all canty, keen, and crouse,
And with three hundred march to Ochterhouse.'

Auchterhouse is in the presbytery of Dundee and synod of Angus and Mearns. Its minister's income is £341. The one public school, with accommodation for 168 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 78, and a grant of £67, 17s. 6d. Valuation (1891-92) £6551, 9s.; of railways and waterworks, £3476. Pop. (1881) 661, (1891) 532.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Auchterless (Gael. *wachdar-shtios*, 'upper side'), a village and a parish on the NW border of Aberdeenshire. The village or Kirkton has a central position upon the left bank of the Ythan, 3 miles SW of Auchterless station on the Inveramsay-Banff branch of the Great North of Scotland railway; which station, lying just beyond the NE angle of the parish, 4 miles S by E of Turriif, and $34\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Aberdeen, has a telegraph office. At the village are a post office under

Turriif, the manse (1867), and the parish church (1780; wing added, 1835; 650 seats); the Free church stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SSW.

The parish contains also the hamlet of Badenscoth, 2 miles SSW of Kirkton of Auchterless and 3 NNW of Rothie Norman station, with a post office under the latter place. It is bounded N by Turriif, E and SE by Fyvie, S by Rayne and Culsalmond, W by Fergue, and NW by Banfshire. It has an extreme length from N to S of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a breadth from E to W of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and a land area of 16,826 acres. The YTHAN, entering the parish $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile from its source in Fergue, flows $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles eastward, next strikes 5 miles north-north-eastward to the old castle of Towie, and, thence bending southward, forms for 2 miles the eastern boundary, descending in this course from about 500 to 134 feet above sea-level. One affluent, Pitdoulis Burn, traces the northern boundary; another, Rothie Burn, the southern; and a third, Garries Burn, flows through the north-western half of the parish to Knockleith. On either side of the Howe of Auchterless the surface rises into rounded hills, rarely too steep for cultivation; and points of altitude from E to W are Seggat (420 feet) Thomastown (490), Gordonstown Hill (582), Blackford or Drumsinnie Hill (649), Braestairie (678), and Berryhill of Logie (850). Everywhere resting on greywacke, the soil of the uplands is a thin slaty clay, better for cereals and roots than for grass; but on the lower slopes and along the howe are clay loams of considerable fertility. Plantations cover some 500 acres, and are mostly young upon Seggat, Thomastown, and Knockleith; but the firs and larches of Hatton, Templand, and Badenscoth, and the ash trees by the church, are of older growth. Antiquities are Glenmellan camp at the western border, a parallelogram of nearly 130 acres, and probably of Roman construction (Roy's *Mil. Ants.*, pl. li.); a triple stone circle on the Kirkhill or Berryhill of Logie; remains of three 'Picts' houses; the 'Cumines trench' or camp (A.D. 1308); the artificial Moat Head, seat of the old baronial courts; a Gallow's Hill; and, at Seggat, a ruined chapel and well of Our Lady. The chief residences are Knockleith, Badenscoth, Hatton, and Templand; and 6 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 1 holds between £100 and £500, and 1 between £20 and £50. Auchterless is in the presbytery of Turriif and synod of Aberdeen; its minister's income is £339. There are four schools under the board—two for boys and two for girls at Badenscoth and the Kirkton. With a total accommodation for 450 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 279, and total grants amounting to £264, 15s. Valuation according to the latest returns, £1471, 13s. 5d. Pop. (1831) 1701, (1871) 1971, (1881) 2144, (1891) 1853.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 86, 1876.

Auchtermuchty (Gael. *wachdar-muic*, 'upper land of the wild sow'), a town and a parish of NW Fife. The town is divided by the Loverspool, a tiny affluent of the Eden, into two nearly equal portions; and has a station on the Fife and Kinross section of the North British, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Kinross, $33\frac{3}{4}$ ENE of Stirling, $4\frac{1}{2}$ WNW of Ladybank Junction, $10\frac{1}{2}$ WSW of Cupar, and 42 N of Edinburgh (*via* the Forth Bridge). It was made a royal burgh in 1517, and confirmed in its rights in 1595, but had ceased to return a member to Parliament some time before the Union; and, becoming bankrupt in 1816, it suffered the sequestration of all its corporation property, except town-house, jail, steeple, bell, and customs. Governed by a provost, 2 bailies, a treasurer, a procurator-fiscal, a town-clerk, and 8 councillors, it has sheriff small debt courts on the second Monday of January, April, July, and October; a weekly corn market is held on Monday; and there are cattle, horse, and sheep fairs on the first Monday of February, the last Monday of April, the second Monday of July, and the first Monday of October and December. With three main streets and several lanes, Auchtermuchty is irregularly built, but of late years has been considerably improved, and commands fine views of the East and West Lomond Hills, which, distant $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles S and

4 miles SW, are 1471 and 1713 feet high. It was the birthplace of the Rev. John Glas (1698-1773), founder of the sect of Glasites; but it is better known by the famous old ballad of *The Wife of Auchtermuchty*, wrongly ascribed to James V. There are a town-hall; the Victoria Hall, erected in 1865 for lectures, concerts, and public meetings; the People's Institute, comprising reading, recreation, and temperance refreshment rooms; Auchtermuchty Reading Room and Stark Library; a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; branches of the Bank of Scotland and Union Bank; a savings bank, and insurance agencies; gas-works; 2 hotels; and agricultural and horticultural societies. Places of worship are the parish church (built 1780; enlarged 1838; and seating 900), a Free, 2 U.P. (North and South), and a Baptist church; and the North and South public schools, with respective accommodation for 194 and 135 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 120 and 106, and grants of £105, 14s. and £64, 16s. The industrial works comprise a bleachfield, an extensive distillery, 2 malt kilns, a scale-beam and weighing-machine factory, and linen factories. The weaving of diapers, huckabacks, sheetings, etc. (chiefly by handloom), has long been the staple industry; there



Seal of Auchtermuchty.

are now some 600 looms in the town, and 200 more in the parish. Burgh valuation (1891-92) £2438, 12s. Pop. of royal burgh (1871) 1082, (1881) 824, (1891) 665.

The parish, which also contains the village of DUNSHULT, is bounded N by Perthshire, E by Collesie, S by Falkland and Strathmiglo, W by Strathmiglo and Abernethy. Its length from NW to SE is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth from E to W is $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 3593 acres, of which $3\frac{1}{2}$ are water. Three streams flow eastward—Beggars Burn along most of the northern boundary, Barroway Burn through the southern interior, and the river EDEN, near or upon the southern border; and from this last the surface rises north-westward to the Ochils—from 137 feet above sea-level at a point near Dunselt to 554 feet at Mairsland, 898 in Pitlour Wood on the western boundary, and 843 in the north-western angle of the parish. The soil of the lowlands is fertile and well cultivated, that in the SE being deep rich alluvium, part of a plain that formerly was often flooded in winter, but is now as well-drained and luxuriant a district as any almost in Scotland; the soil of the uplands is light, but sharp and valuable for grass. About 220 acres are under wood. Myres Castle, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by E of the town, is the only considerable mansion. It was long the residence of the Moncreiffs of Reddie, and was greatly enlarged about 1828. Two proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 12 of between £100 and £500, 12 of from £50 to £100, and 36 of from £20 to £50. Auchtermuchty is in the presbytery of Cupar and synod of Fife; the minister's income is £317. Valuation (1891-92) £8003, 0s. 10d. Pop. of entire parish (1811) 2403, (1841) 3352, (1871) 2958, (1881) 2322, (1891) 2002.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Auchterneed, a hamlet in Fodderty parish, Ross and Cromarty shires, which furnishes lodgings to visitors at the neighbouring STRATHPEPPER Spa. It has a post office under Dingwall.

Auchtertool (Gael. *uachtar-tuill*, 'above the hollow'), a village and a parish of SW Fife. The village stands 3 miles S of Cardenden station, $4\frac{1}{2}$ W of Kirkcaldy, and the same from Kinghorn; it has a post office under Kirkcaldy and a large distillery.

The parish is bounded N by Auchterderran, NE by Abbotshall, E and SE by Kinghorn, S and SW by Aberdour, and NW by Beath. Its length from ENE to WSW varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, its breadth between 7 furlongs and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile; and its area is $2755\frac{3}{4}$ acres, of which $17\frac{3}{4}$ are water. The surface rises westward to the Cullalo Hills, attaining 420 feet above sea-level near the ruined baronial mansion of HALLYARDS in the E, 430 at 2 furlongs S of the village, 556 at 3 furlongs NW of the church, 526 at Pikhambrae in the SW, and 438 in the NW, 7 furlongs ENE of Cowdenbeath station. These heights, which fall off steeply to the S, command fine eastward views of the Isle of May, the Bass, and North Berwick Law. Two streams flow eastward, Doonachy Burn through the interior, and Bottom Burn along the southern boundary; in the E, near Hallyards, is Carmilla Loch (2×1 furl.); and the south-western corner of LOCH GELLY lies within the northern border. Trap, sandstone, and limestone have all been quarried, and coalpits opened in the NW angle of the parish; its soils are variously loam, clayey, and mossy. Two proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 1 holds between £100 and £500, 1 between £50 and £100, and 3 hold between £20 and £50. Auchtertool is in the presbytery of Kirkcaldy and synod of Fife. The church, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile WSW of the village, was repaired in 1833, and seats 280; the minister's income is £182. A public school, with accommodation for 143 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 94, and a grant of £75, 3s. 6d. Valuation (1881-82) £7788, 11s. 5d., (1891-92) £6419, 6s. 9d. Pop. (1831) 527, (1861) 609, (1871) 529, (1881) 706, (1891) 721.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Auchtertyre, a hamlet in Newtyle parish, Forfarshire, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile W of Newtyle village. Near it are traces of a small square camp, supposed to have been formed by Montrose's army during the civil wars.

Auchtow. See ACHTOW.

Auckingill. See AUCHINGILL.

Augustus, Fort (Gael. *Cilla-chuimein*, 'the cell or church of Cumin,' probably the 'Cumineus albus' who was abbot of Iona 657-669), a village and a *quoad sacra* parish in Inverness-shire, at the head of Loch Ness, and on the right bank of the Caledonian Canal, by which it is $33\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Inverness, and $31\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Fort William. It has a post office under Inverness, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a first-class hotel, and a fair on the Monday before the second Wednesday of June. There are an Established church, a Free church, and St Peter's Roman Catholic church (1840); a board school, with accommodation for 100 children, an average attendance (1891) of 67, and a grant of £81, 4s. 6d., and a Roman Catholic school. Pop. mostly Gaelic-speaking, of the village (1891) 611; of registration district of Fort Augustus or ABERTARFF (1871) 897, (1881) 872, (1891) 930.

To overawe the disaffected clans, a barrack was built in 1716 on the peninsula beyond the village, with the Oich salmon river on its NW, and the Tarff on its SE side, in front the deep waters of Loch Ness. As strengthened and enlarged in 1730 by General Wade, who named it Fort Augustus out of compliment to William Augustus, Duke of Cumberland, it was a square work, capable of accommodating 300 men, with a bastion at each angle mounting 12 six-pounders, and with a ditch, covert-way, and glacis. In March 1746 it was taken and dismantled by the insurgents after a two days' siege, a shell from a neighbouring height having caused the explosion of its powder magazine; in May its eponymous hero, Cumberland, formed a camp at it, to which, among other prisoners,

Simon Fraser, Lord Lovat, was carried in a litter. Restored to more than its former strength, it was occupied by a garrison down to the Crimean War; in 1857 it was sold for £5000 to the late Lord Lovat, whose son, the fifteenth lord, presented it in 1876 to the Fathers of the English Benedictine congregation, along with 16 acres of land, and the rental for 19 years of Borlum farm, an adjacent holding of 200 acres. On 13 Sept. 1876 the Marquis of Ripon laid the foundation-stone of a college, monastery, and hospice; the college was opened on 16 Oct. 1878, and on 24 to 26 Aug. 1880 the buildings, so far as they were then completed, were inaugurated by a solemn triduo. They occupy four sides of a quadrangle, 100 feet square—the college on the N; the hospice, with thirty bedrooms, on the W; the monastery, for forty monks, on the E; and on the S a magnificent church, with an octagonal chapter house, which was consecrated in 1890. Fine cloisters run right round the quadrangle, and open here into a noble scriptorium furnished with a printing-press, and capable of accommodating 12,000 volumes; the total cost of the entire pile has been close on or over £100,000. A Scottish baronial tower, with clock and nine bells, rising from the college to a height of 110 feet; over the monastery is another tower, 140 feet high; and the 15 windows of the refectory are filled with the arms of benefactors—Lords Lovat, Bute, Norfolk, Ripon, Stafford, Herries, Denbigh, and Beaumont, Mr Hunter Blair, and others. The whole is in Early English style, from designs by Mr J. Hansom and Messrs Pugin & Pugin; and, girt by terraced pleasure-grounds, and set among wooded mountains, lake, and streams, St Benedict's may vie with the grandest religious foundations of pre-Reformation days. Its college, associated with Glasgow University, is designed to provide a liberal education for 100 sons of Catholic gentlemen; is divided into a preparatory, an intermediate, and a high school; and is furnished with halls, dormitories, library, billiard room, etc. Besides the usual course in classics and science, instruction is given in land-surveying, geology, agricultural chemistry, and other branches. It remains to be noticed that St Benedict's site was formerly Benedictine property, given in 1232 by Sir John Bisset of Lovat to BEAULY priory, granted by the last prior in 1558 to the sixth Lord Lovat, and forfeited by Alexander MacKenzie of Fraserdale for his part in the '15. The present monastery is an incorporation and a resuscitation of an ancient English and of a still more ancient Scottish Benedictine abbey, both situate on the Continent. The latter was the Scots abbey of St James at Ratisbon, dating from the 11th century; the former was the famous abbey of Lamspring or Lansperg in Hanover, founded as a Benedictine nunnery in the 9th century, and converted into an abbey of English Benedictine monks in 1643.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 73, 1878.

Auldbar Castle, the seat of Patrick Chalmers, Esq., in the NE angle of the Aberlemno parish, Forfarshire, 2½ miles SW of Brechin. A modernised baronial fortalice, it has a good library, and stands in a finely-planted park. In the extreme S of the parish, some 5½ miles to the SSE, and 5 miles E of Forfar, is Auldbar Road station, on the Arbroath and Forfar section of the Caledonian.

Auldambus. See ALDCAMBUS.

Auldeathie. See ALDCATHIE.

Auldclune, a hamlet in the extreme W of Moulin parish, Perthshire, on the left bank of the Garry, 2 miles ESE of Blair Athole village, under which it has a post office.

Auldearn (Gael. *allt-earn*, 'stream of the alder tree'), a village and coast parish of Nairnshire. The village, with a money-order post office and a hotel, stands 1½ mile inland at 69 feet above sea-level, and is 2½ miles ESE of its post-town and railway station, Nairn. A burgh of barony, it holds a cattle and horse fair on 29th June if a Wednesday or Thursday, otherwise on the Wednesday after, and a produce fair on the Tuesday of November after Inverness. Pop. (1891) 364.

The parish is bounded NW, for 4½ miles, by the Moray Firth; E by Dyke, in Morayshire; S by Ardelach; W by Nairn and the Raitnock portion of Cawdor. It has a length from N to S of from 3¼ to 6¼ miles. a

breadth from E to W of from 3¼ to 5¼ miles, and a land area of 14,035 acres. The MUCKLE Burn here winds about 6 miles, first on the southern border of the parish, next across its south-eastern corner, and then on the eastern border; the western interior is traversed by the Auldearn Burn, which, rising in the north-western angle of Ardelach, and joining the Nairn 1 mile below its mouth, has a total northward and westward course of some 5 miles, and just below Auldearn village itself receives a burn from the SE. Within 3 furlongs of the coast-lake Loch Loy (9 × 1½ fur.) lies at an altitude of 12 feet; ½ mile E of it is Cran Loch (3½ × 1¼ fur.). With a foreshore that widens north-eastward from 1 furlong to 2 miles, and is fringed by the Maviston Sandhills, the northern portion of Auldearn is generally low, and the highest gradient on the 3¼ miles of the Highland railway within its bounds is only 129 feet. Further inland the surface becomes more undulating, and rises to 305 feet near Blackhills, 379 near Easter Arr, 423 near Lethen House, 473 near Easter Clune, and 600 in the south-eastern angle of the parish; but nowhere are the hills too steep to plough. The rocks belong chiefly to the strip of Old Red sandstone that borders the Moray Firth, and have been extensively quarried. Marl also abounds; and fir roots and entire trees are found in great quantities in Inshoch Moss. For a distance from the shore of ½ mile on the W and of 1 mile on the E, the soil is sheer sand, covered with bent; elsewhere it is various, but for the most part fertile, about one-third of the entire area being arable, one-fourth under woods and plantations, and four-elevenths pasture or waste. Antiquities are two stone circles, the ruins of Inshoch Castle, and vestiges of that of Moyness. According to later chronicles it was in Auldearn that Donald, King of Alban, fell in battle with the Danes (900), and that Malcolm his son was slain by the men of Moray (954); but Skene, out of older records, proves these events to have taken place at Dunnottar and Fetteresso (*Celt. Scot.*, i. 338, 364). Of one engagement at least this parish certainly has been the scene, since just to the S of the village was fought, on 9 May 1645, the battle of Auldearn, Montrose's fourth victory over the Covenanters. The general of the latter, John Hurry or Urry, surprised and pursued to Inverness, had there obtained reinforcements that, swelling his army to 400 horse and 3500 foot, emboldened him to offer battle to the Marquis's 1700, 250 of whom were cavalry. Lured from its strong position, the Royalist right under Kolkitto was retiring from the charge in great disorder, when Drummond, who commanded Hurry's horse, by wheeling unskillfully, broke the ranks of his own infantry. Montrose at this crisis charged with his whole force, and the Highland rush proved irresistible. The veterans only (some 1200 strong) attempted to withstand it manfully, while the new levies fled in consternation, and were chased several miles by Lord Gordon's cavalry. The losses on both sides were variously estimated—the Royalists' at from 15 to 200 men, of whom Captain Macdonald and William Macpherson of Invereschie were the only persons of mark; the Covenanters' at from 1000 to 3000, including Col. Campbell of Lawers, Sir John and Sir Gideon Murray, Col. James Campbell, and 87 married Frasers. Drummond for his blunder or his treachery was tried by court-martial and shot; Hurry drew off his shattered army, and joining Baillie, shared with him eight weeks later in the defeat of ALFORD (see vol. i., pp. 209-212 of Keltie's *Hist. of the Scottish Highlands*). The principal residences are BOATH House, 3 furlongs north of the village, and Lethen House, near the southern boundary; and 6 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of from £20 to £50. Auldearn is in the presbytery of Nairn and synod of Moray. Its parish church is situated at the village, and was built in 1757 in place of an older structure, dedicated to St Colm, and anciently held by the sub-dean of Elgin cathedral. This is an ill-proportioned, oblong edifice, with 477 sittings, and a graveyard containing several interesting monuments of Hurry's followers, of the Hays of Lochloy and Moyness, and of Nairn townfolk.

most of whom (the fishing class only excepted) have their burial places here. The minister's income is £296. There are also a Free church, 1 mile S of the village, and Moyness U.P. church at Boghole, 3½ miles E, the latter built about 1780, repaired in 1817, and seating 353. The two public schools of Auldearn and Moyness, with respective accommodation for 167 and 77 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 112 and 33, and grants of £117, 17s. 6d. and £42, 9s. 6d. Valuation, £10,091, 15s. 5d. Pop. (1831) 1653, (1861) 1328, (1871) 1279, (1881) 1292, (1891) 1315.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 84, 1876.

Aulderg, a burn in Dallas parish, Elginshire, running to the river Lossie.

Auldfield, a section of Pollokshaws town in Eastwood parish, Renfrewshire. The *quoad sacra* parish church of Pollokshaws is here, here originally the name of Auldfield chapel of ease, was built in 1840 and is a neat edifice with a spire.

Auldgrinaig, a hamlet in Moulin parish, Perthshire, on the river Garry, at the mouth of Glen-Grinaig, contiguous to the N end of the Pass of Killiecrankie, 4 miles NNW of Pitlochry.

Auldgrith, a place in the southern angle of Closeburn parish, Dumfriesshire, on the river Nith and on the Glasgow and South-Western railway, 8 miles NW by N of Dumfries. It has a bridge over the Nith, a station on the railway, a good inn, and a post office under Dumfries, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments. A famous old three-trunked tree, called the Three Brethren, stood near it, but has been destroyed. The adjacent reach of the valley of the Nith, for about 2 miles, is contracted to the narrowness of almost a gorge, and exhibits views of singular picturesqueness.

Auldgrande. See **AULTGRANDE**.

Auld-Hill, a hill in West Kilbride parish, Ayrshire, crowned with remains of a circular building, which probably was occupied as a watch-tower.

Auldhouse, a hamlet, with a public school, in East Kilbride parish, Lanarkshire, 3 miles S by W of the village of East Kilbride.

Auldhouse, a burn in the E of Renfrewshire, rising in Mearas parish, and running about 5½ miles north-eastward past Thornliebank village to the White Cart at Pollokshaws.

Auld Kirk. See **INNERKIRK**.

Auldmuir, a place, with extensive lineworks, in Dalry parish, Ayrshire.

Auldna, a mineral tract, with excellent worked coal, in the upper part of New Cumnock parish, Ayrshire.

Auldnochuirn and **Auldnaucish**, two burns in Dallas parish, Elginshire, running to the Lossie.

Auldtown. See **ALTON**.

Auld Water. See **OLD WATER**.

Auld Wick Castle, an old baronial fortalice in Wick parish, Caithness, surmounting a dismal chasm in cliffs at the S side of the entrance of Wick Bay, 1½ mile SE of Wick. It belonged, in the beginning of the 14th century, to Sir Reginald de Cheyne, passed to the Oliphants, the Earls of Caithness, the Dunbars, and Lord Duffus; is now dismantled and ruinous; forms an excellent landmark to mariners, and is commonly called by them 'the Aul' Man o' Wick.'

Auld Wives' Lift, a famous cromlech in Baldernock parish, SW Stirlingshire, 1 mile NNE of the church, and 3 miles WSW of Lennextown. A trilith or complete cromlech, it consists of three stones only—two of nearly equal length supporting the huge topstone, a block of basalt 13 feet long, 11 broad, and 7 thick. Through the narrow triangular space between the three stones every stranger must creep, if, runs the rustic creed, he would not die childless; and those stones, he is told, were brought hither by three old women in their aprons, for a wager which should bear the heaviest load. Then from the top, though barely 400 feet above sea-level, he may look right across the island from firth to firth, see the smoke of one steamer entering the Clyde, and of another below Grangemouth in the Forth. See

Wilson's *Prehistoric Annals of Scotland*, and Nimmo's *Stirlingshire*.

Aulich, a hamlet in Fortingal parish, Perthshire, on the N side of Loch Rannoch, at the mouth of a burn of its own name, 3½ miles W of Kinloch Rannoch.

Aultandow. See **ALTANDO**.

Aultanfihler or **Fiddlers' Burn**, a brook in the NE of Inverness-shire, running along the boundary between Inverness and Petty parishes.

Aultbea, a coast hamlet in Poolewe *quoad sacra* parish, W Ross-shire. It has a post office, an inn, a schoolhouse, an Established mission church (1891), a Free church, and fairs on the Friday before the first Tuesday of July and the Wednesday in October before Beauly; with Glasgow it communicates by steamboat.

Ault-Gheallaidh. See **ALDYONLIE**.

Aultgrande or **Altgraat**, a rivulet of the E side of Ross-shire. It issues from Loch Glass; runs east-south-eastward, about 7 miles, along the boundary between Alness and Kiltearn parishes; passes through a profound, narrow, bosky chasm, seeming to have been formed by the stroke of an earthquake; makes, in its progress, a series of romantic cataracts and cascades; falls into the Cromarty Firth, about 1 mile NE of Kiltearn village; and, when swollen by heavy rains, is frequented by finnocks, sea-trout, and a few salmon.

Aultguish, a burn-torrent in Urquhart and Glenmoriston parish, Inverness-shire, in the Forest of Ruisky, down the precipitous alpine mountains of Mealfourvounie, to the NW side of Loch Ness, nearly opposite the famous Fall of Foyers. It makes, in one place, a sheer leap of at least 100 feet; and, as seen from Loch Ness, it looks like a long white ribbon, streaked and figured with the intervening trees.

Aultkollie, a very deep, tortuous, and romantic gully, traversed by a burn, on the coastward side of Loth parish, Sutherland.

Aultmore. See **ALTMORE**.

Aultnacailich, a place in Durness parish, Sutherland, in Strathmore, 18 miles SSE of Durness village. It was the birthplace of Robert Calder Mackay (1714-78), commonly called Rob Donn ('Brown Robert'), regarded as the Burns of the Northern Highlands. A fine waterfall is on one side of it; and the famous tower or round burg of Dornadilla on the other. A neat monument to Rob Donn, with inscriptions in Gaelic, English, Latin, and Greek, was erected in Durness churchyard in 1820.

Aultnaharrow. See **ALTNAHARRA**.

Aultnancarrach, a burn of E Ross-shire, running into the Aultgrande rivulet. Productive lead ore has been found on its banks.

Aultsigh, a burn on the boundary between Urquhart and Glenmoriston, in the united parish of Urquhart and Glenmoriston, Inverness-shire. Issuing from a lakelet on the lofty western shoulder of Mealfourvounie (2284 feet), it tumbles and leaps down a rocky channel to the base of a precipice nearly 1500 feet high; is screened in its progress by beetling cliffs and wooded acclivities; makes two beautiful falls, one about midway down its course, the other near its mouth, both under shades of thick foliage; and passes into Loch Ness at a point 2½ miles NE of Invermoriston. A rocking-stone, about 20 feet in circuit, movable by two persons, is on the mountain shoulder SW of the burn. A memorable conflict between a party of the Macdonalds of Glen-garry, and a party of the Mackenzies of Ross-shire, was fought on the burn in the early part of the 17th century, and is commemorated in a celebrated pibroch, 'The Raid of Kil-Christ.'

Auquhirie, an estate, with a mansion, in the W of Dunnettar parish, Kincardineshire.

Ausdale, a hamlet and a burn in Latheron parish, Caithness. The hamlet lies on the burn, at the N base of the Hill of Ord, 4 miles SW of Berriedale. The burn runs south-eastward, has a course of only about 3 miles, and leaps over a cliff of about 100 feet in depth into the sea.

Auskerry, a small island in Stronsay parish, Orkney, 2½ miles S of Stronsay. It is used chiefly for pasturing sheep and cattle; has remains of an ancient chapel and

of an edifice called Monk's House; is crowned by a light-house, showing a fixed light, visible at the distance of 16 nautical miles; and, at the census of 1891, had 7 inhabitants.

Avon, a modern provincial abbreviation of 'Avona-Porticosa,' the ancient name of the island Sanda in Southend parish, Argyllshire.

Avon, Lanarkshire. See **Avon**.

Avon or **Avon**, a lake and a river of S Banffshire. The lake lies at the south-western extremity of the county, 22 miles NW of Castleton of Braemar; occupies a stupendous hollow amid the central masses of the Cairngorm Mountains; lies at an elevation of 2250 feet above sea-level; is immediately overhung by the steep and almost mural masses of Cairngorm (4084 feet), Ben Macdui (4296), and Ben Mheadoin (3883); measures 1½ mile in length from SW to NE, and from 1 to 1½ furlong in breadth; exhibits scenery of solemn and most impressive grandeur; and abounds in small black trout very different from those of the stream which flows from it. Its water is so clear 'that you can see the fishes hanging in every pool;' at its head is the Shelter Stone, a sort of cave large enough to accommodate 12 or 15 men, and formed by an immense fallen block of granite resting on two other blocks *in situ*. The river issues from the NE end of the lake; runs first about 9 miles east-north-eastward, next about 13 miles north-north-westward, next about 5½ miles northward; and falls into the Spey at Ballindalloch. It flows mainly within Kirkmichael parish, but its last 2½ miles lie within or on the boundary of Inveravon parish; it passes the village of Tomintoul, and has its course partly along a profound mountain glen, partly along a deep ravine, partly along a narrow vale. It rose, in the great floods of 1829, to a height of 23 feet above its usual level in the ravine of Poll-du-ess, and to a height of 6 feet more than in the flood of 1768 at its mouth. It receives the Water of Ailnack, near Tomintoul, Conglass Water, the Burn of Lochy, and, near Drumin Castle, Livet Water. It abounds in trout, and, from June till November, is frequented by salmon. 'The Avon,' says Sir Thomas Dick Lauder, 'flows with so great pellucidity through its deep and dark glen, that many accidents have occurred to strangers by its appearing fordable in places which proved to be of fatal depth. This quality is marked by an old doggerel proverb—

"The Water of Avon runs so clear,
It would beguile a man of a hundred year."

The Queen and Prince Consort visited Loch Avon, 28 Sept. 1861.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 74, 75, 85, 1876-77.

Avon or **Avon**, a river of Dumfriesshire, Stirlingshire, and Linlithgowshire. It issues from Loch Fanny-side, in Cumbernauld parish; runs about 8 miles eastward through Cumbernauld and Slamannan, and between the latter parish and Muiravonside; then goes about 12 miles, chiefly north-eastward, along the boundary between Stirlingshire and Linlithgowshire to the Firth of Forth about midway between Grangemouth and Borrowstonness. Its chief affluents are Polness Burn and Ballencrief Water, both on its right bank. Much of its course winds along a shallow glen amid softly beautiful scenery; but its entrance into the Firth is along a deep muddy cut through a wide expanse of sands and silts, which lie bare at low water. A splendid aqueduct of the Union Canal and a grand 23-arched viaduct of the Edinburgh and Glasgow railway span its glen on the boundary between Linlithgow and Muiravonside parishes.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Avon-nan-Geren, a stream in Harris island, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It is frequented by salmon.

Avernish, a hamlet in the SW of Ross-shire. Its post-town is Lochalsh.

Avich (Gael. *abh-ach*, 'field of the water'), a beautiful little loch in the Dalavich portion of Kilchrenan-Dalavich parish, Lorn, Argyllshire, 1½ mile W of Loch Awe, to which it sends off the Avich rivulet. Rudely resembling a triangle, with apex to the WSW, it is 3½ miles long by 5½ furlongs at its foot; lies 311 feet above sea-

level; and is flanked to the N by Cruach Maolachy (1239 feet), Cruach Narrachan (1223), and Meall Odhar (1255), to the S by Càrn Duchara (1407) and Tom an t'Saoir (1191). A ruined castle stands near its head on an inlet famous in Fingalian legend; its waters abound in trout, bright hued, well shaped, and two or three to the lb.; but salmon are stopped by a fall upon the rivulet.

Aviemore (Gael. *abh-mor*, 'great water'), a station on the Highland railway in Duffell parish, NE Inverness-shire, 12½ miles SW of Grantown. There is a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; and 3 furlongs to the N is Aviemore House. The Carrbridge section of the new through line, from Aviemore to Inverness, was opened in July 1892.

Avoch (Gael. *abh-ach*, 'field of the stream'), a village and a parish on the E side of the Black Isle district of Ross-shire. The village stands on a small bay of the Moray Firth, 1½ mile SW of Fortrose, and 9 NNE of Inverness. It carries on an extensive fishery, mainly for the supply of the Inverness market; exports some grain and wood, whilst importing coal, lime, bone-dust, and salt; and has a post office under Inverness, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a good inn, a commodious and substantial pier, a parish church (1760-92; 600 sittings), a Free church, and a Congregational chapel. Pop. (1861) 1597, (1891) 1217.

The parish is bounded N by Rosolis and Rosemarkie, SE by the Moray Firth, S by Munloch Bay, separating it from Knockbain, SW by Kilmuir-Wester, and W by Urquhart. Its greatest length, from NE to SW, is 4½ miles; its greatest breadth is 3 miles, and its area is about 8030 acres. The surface, in a general view, is a declination from the lower part of the Ardmearach or Mullbuie broad range of hills to the Moray Firth; but, over the lower half, is crossed by several ridges running parallel to the main range; so that it presents an agreeable diversity of hill and dale. A steep romantic ridge of conglomerate rock extends along the coast from the village to the northern boundary, and is covered with wood and with a rich variety of indigenous plants. A large mass of conglomerate rock occurs also at the entrance of Munloch Bay, and is so completely denuded of soil, and so weathered into small corries and rounded summits as to present a close resemblance to a miniature volcanic hill. The intermediate parts of coast and all the beach are sandy and gravelly. Devonian sandstone and conglomerate rocks predominate; but a high granitic ridge, to the NE and N of the village, has so upheaved them as to tilt their strata into all sorts of irregular inclinations, yet does not, to any great extent, overtop them. The Moray Firth is 5 miles wide here, from Avoch village to Campbelltown; looks, in consequence of the projection of Chanony Point at Fortrose, like an inland lake; and, with Fort George at one end of its reach beyond Chanony Point and Inverness at the head of its reach beyond Kessock Ferry, presents a highly picturesque appearance. Avoch Burn rises mainly within the parish, runs to the Firth at Henrietta Bridge close to the village, and has water-power enough to drive a wool-carding mill and 3 corn mills. A beautiful pool, called Littlemillstick, lies near the burn's source; and another sheet of fresh water, Scadden's Loch, lay near the north-eastern boundary, and covered 14 acres, but many years since was drained. Vast improvements in reclamation of waste land, in planting, in building, and in the introduction of the best methods of husbandry, have been effected by Mr James Fletcher, since his purchase in 1864 of the estate of Rosehaugh from Sir James Mackenzie for £145,000. To Rosehaugh he has added the estates of Bennetsfield, Ethie, and Avoch; and on Rosehaugh he has built a fine new mansion in the Renaissance style (*Trans. Highland and Agricultural Society*). Avoch Castle stood on a rocky mound, about 200 feet above sea-level, ¼ mile W of the village; appears to have been a structure of great strength; was the death-place of the regent Andrew Moray (1338); belonged afterwards to the Earls of Ross; and passed eventually to the Crown. Arkindeith Tower stood on a hill-side a short way above the offices of Avoch; be-

longed to a castellated mansion of no great antiquity; and is now represented by only the lower or dungeon story. Avoch is in the presbytery of Chanonry and synod of Ross; its minister's income is £282. Two public schools, Avoch and Killen, with respective accommodation for 160 and 84 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 189 and 67, and grants of £200, 7s. and £83, 13s. There is also the Avoch Mackenzie foundation, with accommodation for 110 children, an average attendance (1891) of 81, and a grant of £86, 15s. 6d. Pop. (1891) 1817.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 84, 1876.

Avon, a river of Lanarkshire, rising upon the Ayrshire boundary, on the southern slope of Distinkhorn Hill (1258 feet), near head sources of the rivers Ayr and Irvine. Thence it runs $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-eastward along the boundary between Ayr and Lanark shires; goes thence north-eastward through Avondale parish and along the boundaries between Stonehouse and Dalsferr parishes on the right, and Avondale, Glassford, and Hamilton parishes on the left, to a point near Larkhall; turns there to the NW into Hamilton parish; and runs, in a north-westerly direction, through that parish to the Clyde, at a point 1 mile ENE of the town of Hamilton. Its length of course, inclusive of windings, is about $24\frac{1}{2}$ miles. It receives Glengavel Water about 2 miles after entering Lanarkshire; Drumlog Burn, about 2 miles further on; Little Calder Water, $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles WSW of Strathaven; and the Kype, its largest tributary, 1 mile SSE of that town, besides a number of lesser burns. It passes within 7 furlongs of Strathaven, and 4 of Stonehouse; and, in the last reaches of its course, flows through the Duke of Hamilton's grounds. It is reckoned one of the best trouting streams in Scotland, and used to be frequented, almost to its source, by salmon. The scenery of its upper reaches is bleak and moorish; that of its central reaches is of various character, and abounds with beauty; and that of its lower reaches is gorgeous and romantic. Its banks, along much of the lower reaches, are alternately bold and precipitous, knolly and broken, softly green and wildly wooded; and at length they become a stupendous tumbling gorge, of similar character to the glen of the Esk at Roslin, but on a grander scale, and superior to every other celebrated sylvan Scottish defile in combinations of romance and pylon. The crags tower up in many places to the height of 250 or 300 feet; the summits and ledges, and many 'a jutting frieze,' are festooned with shrubs, or crowned with stately timber; and the alternations of recess and abutment, of grandeur and gracefulness, almost speak to the imagination like a colossal copy of Gothic masonry. Half way along this gorge, crowning a rock, nearly 200 feet above the bed of the river, like 'sentinel of fairy land,' stand the ruins of Cadzow Castle, the original seat of the ducal family of Hamilton, destroyed by command of the Regent Moray after the battle of Langside; and on the opposite side of the ravine stands the modern summer-house of Chatelherault, so called from the French dukedom which the Hamiltons possessed, and presenting a fantastic foil to the natural scenery around by its red walls, its four square towers all in a line, its gaudy pinnacles, its globular ornaments, and its rich parterres. The ancient forest of Cadzow or wooded park of the Dukes of Chatelherault, 'when princely Hamiltons' abode ennobled Cadzow's Gothic towers,' had this romantic glen for its centre, and spread out from its mouth over the haugh along the Clyde. Hither arrived James Hamilton of Bothwellhaugh, in frenzied flight, from his assassination of the Regent Moray at Linlithgow; and, here, accordingly is laid the scene of Sir Walter Scott's ballad of *Cadzow Castle*, which tells how a hunting party, headed by the duke, were inspiring one another's fierce party quarrel against the Regent—and how the frantic murderer rode headlong into the midst of them, and

* From gory sellic and reeling steed
Sprang the fierce horseman with a bound,
And, reeking from the recent deed,
He dashed his carbine on the ground.

* Sternly he spoke—" 'Tis sweet to hear
In good greenwood the bugle blown,
But sweeter to revenge's ear
To drink a tyrant's dying groan

* Then speed thee, noble Chatelherault,
Spread to the wind thy banner'd tree;
Each warrior bend his Clydesdale bow;
Moray is fallen, and Scotland's free."

Avonbridge, a village on the right bank of the Avon, in the NE angle of Slamannan parish, SE Stirlingshire, with a station on the North British, $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Falkirk. It has a post office, with money-order and savings bank departments, a U.P. church (1803; 308 sittings), an Evangelical Union chapel, and a public school for Slamannan and Muiravonside conjointly, which, with accommodation for 150 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 86, and a grant of £76, 8s. 6d.

Avondale, a parish at the south-western extremity of the middle ward of Lanarkshire, containing towards its north-eastern angle the post-town of STRATHAVEN, with a station on the Caledonian, $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by W of Hamilton, and $19\frac{1}{4}$ (15 by road) SSE of Glasgow. Bounded NW by East Kilbride, N and NE by Glassford, E by Stonehouse and Lesmahagow, S by Muirkirk in Ayrshire, and W by the Ayrshire parishes of Sorn, Galston, and Loudoun, it has a length from N to S of from $6\frac{1}{2}$ to $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from E to W of from $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 miles, and an area of 37,666 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 133 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The AVON, rising in the extreme SW, takes a north-eastward course of 13 miles, first on the boundary with Galston, next through the whole interior, and then on the Stonehouse border, quitting the parish at 2 miles E by N of Strathaven. During this course its principal affluents are Glengavel Water on the right, flowing 5 miles NNW; Calder Water on the left, curving $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N, and tracing, with its sub-affluent the Little Calder, great part of the boundary with East Kilbride; Lochar Water on the right, flowing $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW; KYPE Water on the right, curving $8\frac{1}{4}$ miles, first NE, then NNW along the Lesmahagow and the Stonehouse border; and POWMILLAN Burn on the left, curving 7 miles SE through Strathaven, and tracing, with its sub-affluent the Black Burn, the rest of the boundary with East Kilbride. The surface follows the channels of these streams, but has a general south-westward rise, attaining to the left or N of the Avon 805 feet above sea-level at High Coldstream, 624 near Netherfield, 846 near High Hook, 837 near Undergreen, and 933 at Hairshawhill. To the right or S of the Avon are the following eminences, of which those marked with an asterisk culminate on the southern boundary—Craigmuir (632 feet), Burnhead (783), Kypes Rig (1134), Middle Rig (1173), Martinside (1206), Berry Moss (1161), Hawkwood (1251), Side Hill (1411), Harting Rig (1475), Auchengilloch (1511), *Good-bush Hill (1556), Dungavel Hill (1502), Long Bank (1272), Regal Hill (1328), Millstone Rig (1212), Avonside (711), Mill Rig (1096), *Bibblon Hill (1412), *Backend Rig (1122), *Twopenny Knowe (973), Anderside Hill (1033), *Burnt Hill (1109), Little Hartmidden (1152), and Hart Hill (1294). The rocks are mainly trap or carboniferous, presenting many interesting phenomena at the junctions of the erupted masses with the strata. There are several limestone quarries, and clay is found for the manufacture of drain tiles; but a shaft that was opened some years ago to a seam of inferior coal, employed in the limekilns, had to be abandoned. The uplands consist of stretch upon stretch of boggy grouse-moor, all naked now, but anciently clothed with the great Caledonian Forest, trunks of whose giant oaks are found from time to time among the mosses near the head of the Avon. The central and north-eastern parts, however, are relatively level and well-cultivated; and Hamilton of Wishaw must have referred to their light, dry soils, when, about 1710, he described this 'great paroch' as 'a plentiful country, especially in grain, and no want of corns' (*Sheriffdoms of Lanark and Kenfrew*). Somewhat more than one-half of the entire area of the parish is arable; but it is by its dairy-farming that Avondale has long won most celebrity, the farmers of the Strath being

scarcely equalled in fattening calves for the butcher. A Roman road, running parallel to the Avon, is traceable for 2½ miles, from Locher Mill to Sandford; ARCHEN- GILLOCH in the S, and DRUMCLOG in the W, make Avondale famous in the annals of the Covenanters. Its local annals are thus epitomised by Hamilton:—'This baronie did anciently [*temp.* Alexander III., 1249-86] belong to the Bairds, and thereafter came to Sinclair, and from them to the Earl of Douglas, with whom it continued several ages, and after his fatal forfeiture, in anno 1455, it was given by King James the Third to Andrew Stewart, whom he created Lord Avendale [1457], and it continued with him and his heirs until 1538 or thereby, that he exchanged it with Sir James Hamilton for the baronie of Ochiltree, in the parliament 1543. From which tyme it continued with the successors of Sir James Hamilton until it was acquired by James, first of that name, Marquess of Hamilton [1533-1604]; and continueth with his successors since. There are many small vassalls in this parish, besyde three or four gentlemen,—Overtoun, Netherfield, Rylandsyde, Lethem, and Kype; but all of them hold of the familie of Hamilton.' To-day the chief mansions are Netherfield House, 1½ mile ENE, and Lethame House, 1¼ mile W, of Strathaven; and the Duke of Hamilton owns about one-fourth of all the lands in the parish, with superiority over the rest, these being shared among 5 proprietors holding each £500 annual value and upwards, 60 between £100 and £500, 51 between £50 and £100, and 88 between £20 and £50. In the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, this parish is divided, *quoad sacra*, into Avondale (pop. 5466 in 1881, and 5069 in 1891) and the chapelry of East Strathaven. The living is worth £400; and both churches, being situated at Strathaven, will be noticed in the article thereon, along with the Free church, three U.P. churches, and Roman Catholic church. Under the school-board there are 5 public and one denominational school, viz., Ball Green, Barnock, Crosshill, Drumclog, Gilmourton, Glengivel (Gen. As.) With total accommodation for 928 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 640, and grants amounting to £778, 4s. Valuation, according to the latest published statistics, £39,947, 12s. Pop. (1831) 5761, (1861) 6125, (1871) 5460, (1881) 5466, (1891) 5069, of whom 3478 belonged to Strathaven.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 23, 1865.

Avondow, the upper part of the river Forth, from its source about 12 miles east-south-eastward, through the parishes of ABERFOYLE and Port of Monteith in Perthshire, to the influx of Kelly Water on the boundary with Stirlingshire. The name signifies 'the Black Stream.' See FORTH.

Avonhead, a village in New Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, with a public school, which in 1891 had accommodation for 191 children, an average attendance of 74, and a grant of £63, 13s. 6d. Pop. (1891) 472.

Avonholm, an estate, with a mansion, in Glassford parish, Lanarkshire. Three tall upright stones are here, and have been variously regarded as Caledonian remains, as monuments of ancient noblemen, and as monuments of martyrs.

Avonlussa, a burn in Jura island, Argyllshire. It abounds with trout and salmon.

Avonsuidh or Fin Castle, a seat of the Earl of Dunmore, on the W coast of Harris island, Invernesshire.

Avontoun, a mansion in Linlithgow parish, near the river Avon, 1½ mile WSW of Linlithgow. Built by Lord President Blair (1741-1811), it is now the seat of his grandson, Hy. Temple Blair, Esq. (suc. 1873).

Awe (Old Gael. *A*, 'water'), a loch in the SW of Assynt parish, Sutherlandshire, 3¼ miles S of the head of Loch Assynt, with which it communicates by the Loanan. Lying at the south-eastern base of Canisp (2786 feet), midway between Inchnadamf and Altnacalgach Inns, it is shallow and weedy, measures 7 furlongs by 2 to 3, is studded by six wooded islets, and abounds with fine red-fleshed trout. Mr Young caught 271 of 84 lbs. weight in four days' fly-fishing during June and July. See his *Sutherland*, pp. 113, 114.

Awe, a lake and a river of central Argyllshire, both easily accessible since the opening (1 July 1880) of the final section of the Callander and Oban railway, Loch Awe station at the foot of the lake being 48¾ miles WNW of Callander, 64¾ of Stirling, and 101 of Edinburgh. A fine hotel, in the Scottish Baronial style, has been erected near the station. The lake commences at a point 3 miles E of the head of Loch Craignish, and S NE of the W end of the Crinan Canal, and extends, in a north-easterly direction, to the eastern skirts of Ben Cruachan at the mouth of Glenorchy. Its length is 22¼ miles; its breadth varies between 3 furlongs and 1¼ mile, or 3¼ miles where it sends off the river Awe; and its altitude above sea-level is 118 feet. Its outline, all down to the last 6 miles, is pretty uniform, or has only such indentations as do not prevent it from being a continuous belt of water; but its outline over the last 6 miles has the form of an expansion of the belt, forking at its end into two offsets, the one round the SE of Ben Cruachan to receive the Orclry river, the other round the SW of Ben Cruachan to send off the river Awe. Its basin, round the head and along the upper quarter, is low ground embosoming swamps and tumulated with hills; over all the central parts is flanked by parallel ranges of high hills with moorish summits; and, around all the foot, is overhung by alpine mountains, with the monarch BEN CRUACHAN (3689 feet) grandly dominant in the front. Its general appearance, in a comprehensive view, looks as if the head were the foot, as if the NE offset were the head, and as if the NW offset, or real foot, were a bay branching from the side. The original outlet of its superfluous water was really at the present head, along a vale, south-westward to Loch Crinan, near the W end of the Crinan Canal; and the present outlet appears to have been formed by an earthquake stroke through the SW skirt of Ben Cruachan, and is a profound ravine or gorge, leading to Loch Etive. The scenery is tame at the head, and sublime at the foot; exhibits great diversity, both in its main characteristics and in the intermediate ones which connect and modify them; and displays its force of feature in a reverse order to that of most Highland lakes, or with progressive increase, not from foot to head but from head to foot. The upper reaches present very little character: the middle reaches show pleasing pictures, without much brilliance, and with little better than gradual ascents on each side to the distance of about 4 miles, diversified with heights, hollows, and the beds of burns; and the lower reaches rise rapidly into the utmost magnificence, in all styles of imposing landscape, from richly beautiful to overwhelmingly sublime. The margins, in most parts, but chiefly toward the foot, are intricately with baylets and headlands, and considerably embellished with verdure or with wood; and the bosoms of the central and the lower portions are gemmed with picturesque islands. The views all below Port Sonachan, or below the point at which the road comes down from Inverary, or over the lower 8 miles, are not excelled in magnificence by those of any other lake scenery in Britain. 'The shores and islands, with their farms, and woods, and edifices, look smiling and lovely, the mountains in the E, Ben-Ioaidh, Ben-a-Cleidh, and Meall-nan-Tighearnan, look stern and noble; the cuts and openings amongst them into the interior glens look wild and mysterious; and the monster mass of Ben Cruachan, rising right up from all the northern margins of both neck and arms, and soaring steeply to the clouds, looks overpoweringly majestic. The lake here, in spite of being at its greatest breadth, and even with the aid of its branching offsets, appears almost dwarfed into a pool within the mighty magnitude of its mountain framework; and yet it draws a keener attention from the observer to the beauty of its own bosom and banks, and imparts to him from this a more thrilling delight than if it lay within smooth green hills, or upon an embellished plain.' Some of the most interesting objects on its banks will be noticed under KILCHURN, GLENORCHY, CLADICH, and the principal mountains; and the most interesting of its islands will be noticed in our articles

on INNISHAIL, INNIS-FRACH, INNIS-CHONNEL, and INNIS-ERICH. The depth of the lake, in one place, is 51 fathoms. Its waters contain salmon, salmo-ferox, common trout, pike, perch, char, two or three species of sea-trout, and some other kinds of fish. The salmon abound most in the NE offset, toward the mouth of the Orchy river, but are found also in sheltered baylets and creeks. The salmo-ferox run from 6 to 20 lbs; one of 39½ lbs. was caught in 1866 in the upper pool of the river Awe. The common trout abound more or less in various parts, according to the situation of the feeding-grounds, and average ½ lb. The pike are thought to be of recent importation, and they have made great ravages among the smaller and more delicate kinds of fish. The char frequent the head of the lake, around the place of its original outlet. The lake lies partly in Lorn, partly in Argyll district; and, from the influx of the Avich rivulet on its left side, about 9 miles from its head, all downward to its foot, it forms the boundary between these two districts. Its islands, shores, and flanks were distributed, in the mediæval times, among the clans Campbell, Macarthur, and Macgregor; and its basin gave to the Campbells their slogan or war-cry, 'It's a far call to Lochow!' intimating derision of any attempt of foes to reach or penetrate its powerful fastnesses.

The river Awe runs from the extremity of the NW offset of the lake, 5 miles north-westward to Loch Etive, at Bunawe. It steals slowly and silently from the lake into a narrow, deep, tremendous gorge, the Pass of Brander; rushes thence along a rocky bed, much obstructed by reefs and boulders; and sometimes is slow enough to form a pool or a ford, but generally careers headlong in a succession of rapids and cataracts. Its width averages about 45 yards; and its depth varies from 2 or 3 feet to 20. Its waters abound with trout and salmon, and afford excellent sport in rod fishing; but they severely test the skill and hardihood of the angler, and can scarcely anywhere be satisfactorily fished without wading. Sea-trout ascend the river in considerable numbers. The salmon plays in it with more attraction than in almost any other river in Scotland; and the salmo-ferox ascends the streamlets falling into it to spawn. The river's banks, in places terribly savage and wildly romantic, in others are fair with trees; yet, for about three-fourths of their entire range, from the commencement of the Pass of Brander downward, they are properly not banks at all, but cliffs and precipices. Their height and steepness, too, especially along the Pass, are most imposing. The crags rise often from the water like a wall along most of the Pass, showing no space or level at their base, but descending sheer to the river's brink. The height of them at one place, measured from base to crest, is no less than 1308 feet. The Pass, indeed, through all its length, is a gorge; and, at its lower end, is almost blocked by two confronting rocks, so as there to present an appearance somewhat similar to that of the lock of a canal; and it formerly was overhung by entangling woods. It always, nevertheless, was a point of transit or thoroughfare between the regions of Glenorchy and West Lorn; and it is believed to have anciently had some sort of rude bridge; yet, even with aid of either bridge or boat or other contrivance, it never could be traversed without much danger, or by any but a sure-footed mountaineer; for it was barred by a mural ascent still called the Ladder Rock, and long commanded by a fortalice on the crown of the ascent. But now the Pass is crossed by a substantial bridge on the line of public road from Stirling and Dumbarton to Oban, and by a three-span railway viaduct. The Pass was the scene in 1300 of an exploit of Sir William Wallace; and in 1303 of a severe skirmish between King Robert Bruce and Macdougall of Lorn. A spot near the bridge, too, is the scene of Sir Walter Scott's *Highland Widow*. The most convenient hotels for the angler are the Loch Awe, Dalmally, and Port Sonachan hotels. See Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland*, and P. G. Hamerton's *A Painter's Camp in the Highlands*.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 37, 45, 1876.

Aylort, a sea-loch in the Inverness-shire section of Ardnurchan parish. It strikes from the SE side of Loch Na-Nua; penetrates the land about 5 miles eastward; forms part of the boundary between Moidart and Arasaig; is generally less than ½ mile wide; terminates at Kinchregan; and receives there a short stream from an inletted freshwater lake, Loch Ailt or Rannoch.

Aylort Kinloch. See KINLOCH AYLORT.

Ayr, a river which, traversing Ayrshire through its broadest part, cuts the county into two nearly equal portions. The Vindogara of Ptolemy, it is supposed to have got its modern name from the Gaelic *a-rioidh* ('smooth water'); it bore the name originally in the form of *Ave*, afterwards in the forms of *Air* and *Ayr*, and it obviously gives its name to the town and county of Ayr. It is formed in Muirkirk parish, close to the Lanarkshire border, by head-streams that rise at an altitude of from 1200 to 1500 feet above sea-level; and thence it runs about 38 miles, in the direction of W by S, but with many a bend, to the Firth of Clyde at the town of Ayr. Its course, for a few miles, lies through bleak moors and upland meadows; but afterwards traverses a fertile champaign country, chiefly along a deep, narrow, bosky dell or chasm. Its principal tributaries are the Garpol, the Greenock, the Lugar, and the Coyle. It traverses or bounds the parishes of Muirkirk, Sorn, Auchinleck, Mauchline, Tarbolton, Stair, Ayr, and St Quivox, and passes by Muirkirk, Wellwood, Limmerhugh, Holhouse, Sorn, Catrine, Ballochmyle, Barskimming, Failford, Stair, Auchincruive, and Whitlets; while places near it are Airdsmoss, Auchinleck, Mauchline, Tarbolton, Coylton, and St Quivox. Many reaches of it are richly picturesque; many abound with striking close scenes; and not a few are touched graphically, or worked into strong associations, in the poems of Burns. Its waters contain yellow trout, and formerly were rich in salmon, but now have a very diminished repute among anglers. Its volume, in the winter months, is subject to heavy floods; and then, as Burns says, designating Ayr harbour by the old name of Ratton Key,—

'From Glenbuck down to the Ratton Key,
Auld Ayr is just one lengthened tumbling sea.'

Ayr, the capital of Ayrshire, is a seaport, a seat of manufacture, and a royal and parliamentary burgh. It stands on the river Ayr, at its influx to the Bay of Ayr, and at a convergence of railways southward, south-westward, and northward. By sea it is 23 miles SSE of Garroch Head in Bute, 14½ SSE of Ardrrossan, 16½ E of Arran, 25 NE of Ailsa Craig, and 59 ENE of Torcar Point in Antrim, Ireland; by rail it is 15½ SSW of Kilmarnock, 33 SSW of Paisley, 40½ SW by W of Glasgow (34 by road), 50½ WSW of Dumfries, 73 SW by W of Edinburgh, 60 NW by W of Carlisle, 93 NW by W of Carlisle, and 66½ NNE of Portpatrick. Its site is low ground, on the lip or sea-margin of a champaign, about 4 or 5 miles broad, screened all round by gently-rising heights, which form a great natural amphitheatre. Its outskirts and environs, and many of its streets and houses, command a magnificent view over a large expanse of the Firth of Clyde, to Ailsa Craig, the alps of Arran, the Cumbrae isles, the hills of Bute, the mountains of Argyll, and the hanging plains of Cunningham. Its own outlines, as seen with the great amphitheatre around it for a background, particularly from the brow of Brown Carrick Hill (940 feet), which overhangs the left bank of the river Doon, 4½ miles to the SSW, form a singularly brilliant and imposing picture. The general view from Brown Carrick Hill, indeed, away across Kyle and Cunningham, and over the Firth of Clyde, is so extensive, and all so brilliant and exquisite as to dwarf the town and its environs into only one small feature of the whole; but that one feature, nevertheless, is very striking. Suburban villas and blocks of buildings, all more or less shaded by plantations, are seen on the higher side; the Gothic mass of Wallace Tower, and the lofty tapering spire of the Town's Buildings soar from the centre; the chimney

tops and gable ends of the old parts of the town start up irregularly on the further side, and are seen through such vistas or in such arrangements as make the town appear much larger than it really is; and the entire place sits so grandly on the front of the great amphitheatre, with the firm sweeping round it in a great crescent blocked on the further side by the peaks of Arran, as to look like a proud metropolis of an extensive and highly picturesque region.

The town comprises Ayr proper on the left bank of the river, and the continuous suburbs of Newton-on-Ayr and Wallacetown on the right. Consisting of two nearly equal parts, separated from each other by the river, it must be treated here in some respects as only Ayr proper, in others as including the two trans-fluvial suburbs. These, Newton and Wallacetown, have a topography, local interests, and a history of their own, and will be noticed in separate articles; but they stand compact with one another, and all mutually contiguous to Ayr proper; and they and it are one town both for all business purposes and for parliamentary representation; so that all, in considerable degree, require to be described together in the present article.

Ayr proper, so late as the early part of the present century, presented a motley aspect, and could boast of little street improvement. It had just acquired the very fine extension of Wellington Square, but, with that exception, it consisted mainly of mean buildings, with fronts, gables, and corners projecting to the roadways as chance or caprice had directed. Its only thoroughfares were High Street, Carrick Vennel, Mill Vennel, Old Bridge Street, New Bridge Street, Sandgate Street, and Wellington Square; and these were wretchedly paved, very indifferently cleaned, ill-lighted, and destitute of side pavements for foot-passengers. The principal approach to it from the N, too, was then a squalid winding way through Wallacetown; and what is now the principal approach through Newton was then the water-way of a mill-lade, blocked by an old huge building, partly mill and partly dwelling-house. But the improvement which began in the erection of Wellington Square went rapidly forward; it accomplished more in the twenty years up to 1835, than had been accomplished during the previous hundred years; it made a further start at and after the opening of the railway to Glasgow in 1840; and it has issued in giving the town a high rank for at once orderliness, cleanliness, and beauty, among the second-class towns of Scotland. Wellington Square stands in the SW, and, as regards at once the neatness of its houses, the spaciousness of its area, the fineness of its situation, and the fine seaward view commanded by its windows, is scarcely excelled by any modern extension in any other provincial town in the kingdom. Handsome suburbs, with numerous villas, have radiated from Wellington Square or arisen beyond it; and these, with the square itself, constitute an ornate and urban West End. All the parts nearest the river and toward the shore have, generally speaking, a modern town-like aspect; those in the centre and towards the S continue, in considerable degree, to be either antiquated, mean, or of village-like character. High Street is still the principal street, winding through both the modern regions and the old, and partaking of the character of both.

A Roman road led from Dumfriesshire, through Galloway, into Ayrshire; passed by way of Dalmellington and Ponnassan to Ayr; traversed the site of the town along the line of what is now Mill Street; and seems to have terminated in either a military station or a harbour at the mouth of the river. It could be traced in many parts within the town, so late as about the beginning of the present century; is still traceable in the SW of Castlehill Gardens, within $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the town; and, till about the beginning of the 18th century, formed the only line of communication from Ayr to Galloway and Dumfries. Some urns, culinary utensils, and other small objects, believed to be Roman, have been found when digging foundations in the town.—A castle was built near the

mouth of the river, about 1192, by William the Lion, and is mentioned by him as his 'new Castle of Ayr,' in a charter erecting the town into a burgh about 1200. Often destroyed and rebuilt in the course of successive wars, it held a strong garrison in 1263, to watch the progress of the Norwegian invasion under Haco, when it is said to have been assaulted and captured by the Norsemen. In 1298 it was burned by Robert Bruce, to prevent its becoming a stronghold of the English army, who were marching westward to attack him; but it was so repaired before 1314 as then to be garrisoned by Edward Bruce's army of 'full seven thousand men and mair,' raised for his expedition into Ireland; and it is said, but on very questionable authority, to have existed down to Cromwell's day. No trace of it appears to have been visible for several centuries; but its site is supposed to have been a rising ground near the river, behind the present academy. The burgh seal is thought to have been adopted from the castle, exhibiting three battlemented towers, together with emblems of St John the Baptist.



Seal of Ayr.

—A temporary barrack, known in history as the BARNs of AYR, was erected by the forces of Edward I. of England on the SE side of the town, probably because they found the castle not sufficiently commodious or in improper condition for their occupancy; and that barrack was in 1297 the scene of the famous tragical exploit of Sir William Wallace, separately noticed under BARNs of AYR.—A citadel, afterwards called the Fort, was erected by Oliver Cromwell in 1652, on ground extending from the sea to the site of the present Fort Street; was built chiefly with stones freighted from Ardrossan, and at so great a cost as to have made Cromwell exclaim that it seemed to have been built of gold; occupied an area of about 12 acres, on a hexagonal ground plan; had bastions at the angles, with the main one close to the harbour, and commanding the entire circuit of the fortifications, the river's mouth, and the town itself; and enclosed the cruciform church of St John the Baptist, founded in the 12th century, and converted by Cromwell into an armoury and guard-room. The citadel was constructed for the occupancy of a large body of troops, both to command the town and harbour of Ayr, and to overawe and defend the W and S of Scotland; and it continued to be garrisoned till the end of Cromwell's time, but was dismantled after the Restoration. The ground it occupied, together with such of its buildings as remained, was given to the Earl of Eglinton, in compensation for losses sustained during the Great Rebellion, and, under the name of Montgomerystown, it was created a burgh of regality, and became the seat of a considerable trade. In 1853 it became the property of Mr John Miller, who transformed the old castle into its present state, and fenced out the whole ground, which is now occupied by elegant villas.

Part of a gateway of the town, called the Old Port, still stood at the Townhead within the present century, projecting on the pavement, in connection with the present 'Tam o' Shanter Tavern.'—The original Tolbooth, in which, according to Blend Harry, Sir William Wallace was confined, stood in High Street, and was supplanted by a house, long since removed, which, in its front, had a carved head, claiming to be a bust of Wallace. A building at the corner of Newmarket Street and High Street contains in a niche a figure of Wallace. The next tolbooth, known to record as the Old Jail, stood on the rising ground in the centre of Sandgate, and, leaving barely room for carriages to pass, was the first object that attracted a stranger's attention on entering the town by the New Bridge. It was gained from the street by a stair of nineteen steps, so that prisoners taken into it were said to have gone up the

nineteen steps; and had in front a steeple surmounted by a spire rising to the height of 135 feet, and furnished with a public clock, called in Burns' *Brigs of Ayr* 'the drowsy dungeon clock.' The building dated from some time unknown to record, and it remained long without a steeple. A mere belfry, 'for the use of the town and the Kirk,' was erected on it in 1614; a steeple was projected in 1697, but rose to only the first story in 1715, and was not completed till about 1726. The entire structure, in consequence of its obstructing and almost blocking the thoroughfare, was taken down in 1826.—The Fish Cross, round which the fishwives vended their fish, stood near the river, and was a very plain structure, with a two-stepped basement and a surmounting pillar.—The Malt Cross stood near the site of the present Town-Hall; was an elegant structure, with hexagonal base, surmounting pillar, and crowning unicorn, somewhat similar to the ancient cross of Edinburgh; was the scene of a notorious burning of a lady of the name of Osborne, for imputed witchcraft, about the middle of the 17th century; and, after the building of the New Bridge and opening of the thoroughfare thence to Sandgate, about 1788, was taken down.—The massive three-story mansion of the Osborne family on the N side of High Street, believed to have been the residence of the reputed witch, was demolished in 1881, and a fine hotel erected on its site.—A large turreted house stood near the Osborne mansion, separated from it only by a lane leading down to the river; belonged originally to the Blairs of Adamton, afterwards to the Chalmerses of Gadgirth; and later than 1800 was partly occupied as the Queen's Head Inn.—An ancient small baronial tower at the corner of High Street and Mill Vennel belonged for some time to the Cathcarts of Corbieston, was purchased by the town council in 1673, and acquired, one knows not why, the designation of Wallace Tower. Partly reconstructed in 1731, it gave place in 1834 to an elegant edifice in the Gothic style, 113 feet high, now one of the most prominent buildings in the town, and accepted in popular belief as the veritable Wallace Tower or true representative of that in which the hero lay. In it are the clock and bells of the quondam 'duncheon' steeple, and its front is 'adorned' with a statue of Wallace, carved by the well-known self-taught sculptor Thom.—Newton Castle, in the Newton suburb, on a site between Garden Street and the Old Bridge, was a strong edifice, suited alike for military and domestic purposes. It was taken by the Norwegians in 1263, prior to the battle of Largs; belonged in 1468 to Adam Wallace, a relative of the Craigue family, and passed, in the time of James V., with the lands of Sanquhar, to Sir William Hamilton, then taking the name of Sanquhar-Hamilton Castle. In 1585 it was the temporary residence of the Earl of Arran; in 1588 passed to the family of Craigue; and was demolished in 1701.

The bridges which link Ayr proper to its suburbs are 'The Twa Brigs' of Burns' famous poem. They stand within 500 yards of one another. The Auld Brig is the upper one; seems, on the evidence of record, to have been built at some time between 1470 and 1525; but is commonly said, without a shadow of proof, to have been erected in the reign of Alexander III. (1249-86), at the expense of two maiden sisters of the name of Lowe, whose effigies, now crumbled away, were pointed out near the S end of the eastern parapet. It comprises four lofty and strongly-framed arches. The scour of the river, in the early spring of 1892, had so injured the foundation that measures had to be adopted to secure the stability of the bridge. A ford, the Ducat Stream, immediately above the bridge, seems to have been the only passage from the town in olden times; and, prior to the erection of the bridge, was yearly the scene of much loss of life during the floods of winter and spring. The New Bridge was built (1785-88) chiefly through the exertions of Provost Ballantyne, to whom Burns dedicated his poem, and it was a neat structure, with five arches, after a design by Robert Adam. Injured by the floods of 1877, it was rebuilt

(1878-79) for over £15,000, and repaired (1881-82) for £2000 more, thus fulfilling the Auld Brig's prophecy—

'And tho' wi' crazy eild I'm sair forfairn,
I'll be a brig when ye're a shapeless cairn.'

The railway viaduct, 3 furlongs above the Auld Brig, is 26 feet wide, and consists of 4 arches, each of 60 feet span, with a footpath outside the parapet.—The County Buildings on the NW side of Wellington Square were built from a design by Mr Wallace, after the model of the temple of Isis in Rome, at a cost of more than £30,000. They have a portico decorated with columns of Arran stone; their upper story contains Justiciary and County halls, the latter enriched with portraits of the twelfth Earl of Eglinton, the fourth Earl of Glasgow, and the late Mr Hamilton of Sumdrum.—The Town's Buildings, erected in 1823, at the junction of High Street and Sandgate—the latter in a line with the New Bridge—were originally a tasteful structure, surmounted by a beautiful spire 226 feet high, and were greatly enlarged and improved in 1880-81 at an estimated cost (considerably exceeded) of £19,952, by the addition of a fine new police court and a town-hall with stained-glass portraits of Wallace, Bruce, John Welsh, Burns, Scott, and Shakespeare, and with a powerful organ.—The prison stands near the shore behind the County Buildings. The northern station, in the Newton suburb near the New Bridge, and built in 1840, was converted into a luggage station in 1857 on the opening of the southern passenger station at the Townhead. In June, 1886, the Glasgow and South-Western Railway Company opened a new and commodious station here, its platform covering an area of 3000 square feet, and in connection with it a large and handsome hotel. In an open space immediately in front of this a statue to the memory of Burns was erected in 1891, facing the birth-place of the poet, who is represented with arms partly folded. The figure, which is of bronze, is of colossal size, stands on a pedestal of Aberdeen granite, the whole being surrounded by a handsome railing, the gift of Sir William Arrol, of bridge-building fame.—A bronze statue of Brigadier-General Jas. Geo. Smith-Neill (1810-57), who fell at the first relief of Lucknow, stands in Wellington Square, where he was born; and a monument to Archibald William, thirteenth Earl of Eglinton (1812-61), of tournament memory, stands on the W side of the Square, facing the portico of the County Buildings. Designed like General Neill's by Mr Noble, it was erected in 1865; and comprises a granite pedestal 16 feet high and more than 40 tons in weight, and a bronze statue 12 feet high and 4½ tons in weight.

St John the Baptist Church was either the original church of Ayr or at least a very ancient building, and was the meeting-place in 1315 of the parliament of King Robert Bruce which assigned the succession to his brother Edward. It stood between the town and the river's mouth, on a site afterwards enclosed within Cromwell's citadel; and was a cruciform structure, with a tower at its W end terminating in a crows-stepped roof. It continued the parish church till the erection of Cromwell's citadel, when it was converted into an armoury and guard-room. The present old parish church was built in 1653-55, at a cost of £1708 sterling, partly defrayed by Cromwell. It stands in a retired space behind High Street; has a cruciform shape, somewhat resembling that which St John's Church had, yet presents nothing to vie with the grand Gothic ecclesiastical edifices of preceding times; was, not long since, re-seated and adorned with splendid memorial stained-glass windows; and also has a very fine organ. The New Church was built in 1810 at a cost of £5703; recently a fine organ was introduced into it; and, both without and within, it is handsome enough, though lacking the important feature of tower or spire. The total sittings in the two parochial churches are 1982. The parish church of Newton was built towards the close of last century, and that of Wallacetown in 1834-36; other Establishment churches being North Newton (1885), and St Leonard's (1886). A new mission hall was erected in

1886 for Wallacetown church at a cost of £1300. Five Free churches are Ayr, Martyrs', Wallacetown, Newton, and St Andrew's; two U.P. churches are Cathcart Street (1182 sittings) and Darlington Place (820 sittings). Other places of worship are a United Original Secession church (1799; 605 sittings), a Moravian chapel, an Evangelical Union chapel, a Wesleyan chapel (1813; 530 sittings), Trinity Episcopal church (rebuilt 1891), Ayr Baptist temple (formerly the Queen's rooms and theatre), and St Margaret's Roman Catholic church (1827; 684 sittings), a Gothic edifice, built at a cost of £1900.—The original cemetery lay around St John's Church; the next cemetery was that around the old parochial church; and a beautiful new cemetery is on the river Ayr, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the town. An Observants' friary, founded in 1472, stood on the site of the present Old Church; and is now represented by nothing but an excellent spring, the Friar's Well.

A public school, dating from 1264, or perhaps from 1233, was connected till the Reformation with St John's Church, passing thereafter under the town council's management. It had for its rector, in 1727 and following years, the celebrated grammarian Mair, author of the *Introduction to Latin Composition*. Reconstituted, under the name of Ayr Academy, in 1794, it received a royal charter in 1798; gives instruction in classics, ancient and modern languages, mathematics, etc.; is conducted by a rector, four masters, and a large staff of assistants; and passed under the Burgh school-board in 1873. The original building stood at the head of School Vennel, the present Academy Street, and was a plain quaint structure, with a thatched roof. The next, in an open healthy situation, near the site of Cromwell's citadel, was erected in 1810 at a cost of £3000, and in 1880 was superseded by the present edifice, which, costing £10,000, stands in front of the old, and can accommodate between 500 and 600 pupils. A plain but massive Grecian two-storied structure, with rustic base-ment, centre, and two wings, it measures 140 by nearly 300 feet; a tetrastyle Corinthian portico is adorned with medallions of Wilkie, Watt, and Burns. The public schools, with their accommodation, average attendance, and grants for the year 1890-91, were:—The Grammar School (403, 396, £502, 16s. 6d.), Newton Academy (400, 354, £353, 9s. 6d.), Smith's Institution (550, 427, £373, 12s. 6d.), Lady Jane Hamilton's school (350, 99, £110, 13s. 6d.), Wallacetown (484, 410, £358, 15s.), Newtonhead (784, 725, £634, 7s. 6d.), and Russell Street (755, 395, £382, 17s. 6d.). There are also Episcopal and Roman Catholic schools, which, with respective accommodation for 297 and 200 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 254 and 255, and grants of £203, 14s. 7d. and £217.—The mechanics' institution, founded in 1825, had a large and excellent library, but it has since been incorporated with the public library and reading-room, for which, the town having adopted the Free Libraries' Act, a handsome pile of buildings has just been erected at the foot of Main Street, Newton, towards the cost of which Mr Carnegie, the American millionaire, contributed £10,000. At the head of the same street a Unionist Club-house has also been erected. Other institutions are a branch of the Royal Lifeboat Institution, an auxiliary shipwrecked fishers' and mariners' benevolent society, a sailors' society (1581), etc. The requirements of the cattle trade having outgrown the accommodation of the old market, a new one was opened in 1890, to the south of the railway station, the railway line running into it. The district lunatic asylum, opened in July, 1869, has accommodation for 324 patients. The Kyle union poorhouse (1860), to the E of the station, contains accommodation for 168 paupers; but since its erection the average number of inmates has been about 100. A little beyond it a new two-storied hospital, 400 feet long, for 44 general and 20 fever patients, was opened in 1883, and cost, with appliances and fittings, about £11,000, the fever ward being detached. In connection with the erection of the new slip dock, a broad substantial esplanade, protected by a battlemented concrete bulwark, has been made, extending from the harbour to the Low

Green, and affording a fine carriage-way as well as a promenade for foot-passengers. The Low Green, a finely situated recreation park, extends along the shore from Wellington Square to Doonfoot, and it is intended to continue the esplanade along the front of it down towards the embouchure of the Doon.

The town has a head post office, erected in Sandgate Street in 1893, and adjoining the site of an old post office that preceded the late one in Newmarket Street. Scottish baronial in style, it contains a public office 30 feet by 21, a sorting room 25 by 23, telegraph instrument room 30 by 23, and minor rooms. There are branches of the Bank of Scotland, the British Linen Co., the Clydesdale, Commercial, National, Royal, and Union Banks, and a savings bank; numerous hotels and inns, several temperance hotels, and a Working Man's Public House, erected in 1880 at a cost of £6000 by Henry and William Houldsworth, Esqs. Papers are the Thursday Liberal *Ayr Advertiser* (1803), the Tuesday and Friday Conservative *Ayr Observer* (1832), and the Friday Liberal *Ayrshire Post* (1880). Tuesday and Friday are market-days, and fairs are held on the Thursday before the second Wednesday of January, the third Tuesday and the last Friday of April, the Thursday before the second Monday and third Tuesday of July, and the second Thursday and third Tuesday of October. On the racecourse, to the S of the town, is held in September the three days' Western Meeting. Coaches, in connection with railway trains, run to Kirkmichael and Straiton every Tuesday, to Ochiltree and Cumnock every Tuesday and Friday, and to Prestwick six times a day. The town had anciently so great trade as to be styled by Buchanan '*emporium non ignobile*;' and Brereton in 1634 described it as 'a dainty, pleasant-seated town, most inhabiting in which are merchants trading into and bred in France.' From causes, however, not well understood, it greatly declined in prosperity, so that Defoe wrote early in the 18th century:—'It is now like an old beauty, and shows the ruins of a good face, but is still decaying every day; and from having been the fifth best town in Scotland, as the townsmen say, it is now the fifth worst; which is owing to the decay of its trade. So true it is that commerce is the life of cities, of nations, and even of kingdoms. What was the reason of the decay of trade in this place is not easy to determine, the people themselves being either unwilling or unable to tell' (*Tour through Great Britain*, ed. 1745, p. 114). The writer of the New Statistical account of it in 1837 also says:—'It has often been a matter of surprise, that Ayr has not been more benefited by manufactures and public works, possessing, as it does, so many advantages for this purpose, and such facilities of communication with other places, both by sea and land. With such an extensive grain country surrounding it, distilleries could not fail to thrive; the price of labour is low rated, and all the other requisites are easily procurable. Cotton works might prosper as well here as at Catrine, the town being as favourably situated in regard to all the materials necessary—coal, water, and labourers in abundance; while it has greatly the advantage, by enjoying the means of sea, as well as of land, carriage. And we can see nothing to hinder the manufacture of wool in its various branches, particularly in the weaving of carpets, from succeeding as well in this place as in Kilmarnock, which owes to this cause so much of its wealth and prosperity.' The woollen manufacture, as a matter of fact, was introduced in 1832, and has been prosperous. Begun, for wool-spinning and carpet-weaving, in a small building, once a cotton mill, it succeeded so well as to occasion great extensions of the premises from time to time till the present. Several other factories carry on considerable trade in the making of blankets, flannels, plaidings, and various kinds of woollen wearing apparel. Shoemaking for the foreign market was carried on to a large extent in the early part of the present century, and is still very prosperous. Besides the extensive woolyards and saw-mills of Messrs Paton & Sons, transferred in 1881 from the S to the N quay, and of Messrs Alexander & Sons, about half a mile up the river on the same side, there

are several large engineering and ironfounding works; and tanning and currying is also carried on. There are also powerloom and lace goods factories; two extensive chemical works (both in Newton), a large starch and gum mill, and the famous nurseries of Messrs Imrie & Co., which are beautifully laid out, and no restriction is made to persons walking through them. There formerly were nine incorporated trades; and four of them—hammermen, tailors, squaremen, and shoemakers—still retain an embodied form, with deacons and trades' house. A fishery at the town formerly swept well-nigh the entire firth, for the supply of Greenock, Glasgow, and other places, and likewise made great capture of salmon in the rivers Ayr and Doon, sometimes sending them as far as Carlisle and London; but it shrank into a comparatively narrow sphere after the introduction of steam navigation, yet still is productive enough to bring abundant supply of all kinds of fish to the local market, and employs 200 boats of 564 tons. Shipbuilding was anciently carried on for several of the Kings of Scotland; and it still continues to give some employment. The shipbuilding yard and slip dock erected on the south side of the harbour are leased out, and a considerable business is being done by the present holders of the lease, 9 steel steam ships in 1891 having been built.

The harbour lies within the river's mouth, and formerly was nothing more than a shallow, narrow, natural tidal basin, with no better appliance than an old range of storehouses. A bar, obstructing the river's mouth, seemed for a long time to resist removal, in consequence of constant fresh deposits on it of alluvial matter; but after great expenditure of labour and money, was considerably reduced, and finally got rid of altogether. A pier, from 20 to 25 feet high, diminishing from about 24 to 8 feet in width, and extending to about 1100 feet in length, was constructed on the S side seaward about the year 1827; another pier, of similar dimensions, was constructed on the N side seaward a few years later; and a breakwater outward from the extremity of the piers, and shielding the mouth of the entrance to the harbour, was constructed subsequently to 1837. Two light-houses, with three lights, give the line for taking the harbour. The lights bear SE by E $\frac{1}{2}$ E 850 feet; two of them are bright, the other red; and one of the bright ones and the red one are in the same building, and show all night. Between 1874 and 1881 a wet dock and slip dock were constructed at a cost respectively of £140,000 and £13,500. The former (opened 18 July 1878) is $7\frac{1}{2}$ acres in area, has 15 feet of water at low tide and 2000 feet of quayside, and is provided with hydraulic hoists. For some years past the revenue of the harbour has averaged about £25,000. From 2459 in 1836 the aggregate tonnage registered as belonging to the port rose to 3684 in 1843, 6668 in 1852, 8758 in 1866, 8317 in 1874, 11,471 in 1878, and 14,095 in 1880, but declined to 8123 in 1891—viz. 25 sailing vessels of 7014 and 11 steamers of 1109 tons. The following table gives the aggregate tonnage of vessels that entered and cleared from and to foreign and colonial ports and coastwise in cargoes and also (for the last three years) in ballast:—

	Entered.			Cleared.		
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.
1851	48,325	...	48,325	103,317	...	103,317
1856	42,548	395	42,873	101,059	187	101,246
1866	27,985	2,198	30,183	89,067	1,557	90,624
1874	138,618	2,527	141,145	136,266	3,075	139,341
1880	217,156	7,125	224,281	220,825	7,259	228,084
1891	326,266	18,487	344,753	326,704	17,575	344,279

Of the 2481 vessels of 344,753 tons that entered in 1891 690 of 118,262 tons were steamers, 1415 of 177,387 tons were in ballast, and 2399 of 307,571 tons were coasters; whilst the 2485 of 344,279 tons of those that cleared included 1497 steamers of 222,370 tons, 280 vessels in ballast of 36,368 tons, and 2415 coasters of 314,875 tons. The trade is mainly then an export coastwise one, and coal is the chief article of export. The commerce

of bygone days included much import of wine from France, and much export of corn and salmon. The modern commerce was long and severely curtailed through the great improvements in the navigation of the Clyde carrying up much trade to Greenock, Port-Glasgow, and Glasgow, and likewise through the formation of Ardrossan harbour; yet, notwithstanding the continuance and increase of competition from these quarters, it has undergone great revival, due partly to the opening of the railways, partly to mining extension and agricultural improvement. The owners and the workers of the rich mineral-fields in Kyle and Carrick, and the farmers and corn-merchants throughout most of these districts, must ever regard Ayr as a valuable seaport. The chief imports now are whisky from Campbeltown; beef, butter, barley, yarn, linen, limestone, whiting, and porter, from Ireland; slates and bark from Wales; guano from Liverpool and Ichaboe; bones from South America; spars, deals, and heavy timber from North America and the Baltic; and tar and pitch from Archangel. The chief exports are coal, pig-iron, farm produce, leather, ale, and manufactured goods. In 1891 the value of foreign and colonial imports was £118,625 (£144,518 in 1890); of exports, £22,147; and of customs, £2710. Steamers sail to Greenock, Glasgow, Campbeltown, Girvan, Stranraer, Liverpool, Belfast, Larne, and Carlisle.

Ayr was made a royal burgh about 1200 by a charter of William the Lyon, 'which,' says Hill Burton, 'is perhaps the oldest known charter absolutely bringing a burgh into existence;' and it then received the extensive privileges it still enjoys. The municipal burgh includes Ayr proper, Newton, and Wallace town, as likewise does the parliamentary burgh, which unites with Irvine, Campbeltown, Inverary, and Oban, in sending a member to Parliament. The town council comprises a provost, 4 bailies, a chamberlain, a treasurer, a dean of guild, a procurator-fiscal, and 12 councillors. The General Police and Improvement Act was adopted in all its parts prior to 1871. In 1891 the police force numbered 27 men (superintendent's pay, £200). The annual value of real property within the parliamentary burgh was £52,168 in 1871, £127,383 (*plus* £5299 for railways) in 1892, when the municipal and parliamentary constituencies numbered respectively 4033 and 3219. The corporation revenue was £2057 in 1833, £2646 in 1864, £3482 in 1874, £3245 in 1880, and £6144 in 1891. Pop. (1841) 15,749, (1851) 17,624, (1861) 18,573, (1871) 17,853, (1881) 20,812, (1891) 24,791, of whom 11,561 were males, and 13,230 females.

Ayr may be presumed to have been a place of some importance long before the period of authentic record. It is not mentioned by any Roman writer; yet it clearly appears, from the Roman road to it, and from Roman relics found in and near it, to have been well known to the Roman forces in Britain. It comes into notice in the time of William the Lyon in aspects which imply it to have long before possessed at once political and commercial consequence. It also figured prominently both in the War of Independence and throughout the religious struggle at and after the Reformation. Wallace and Bruce on the one hand, and the forces of Edward I. of England on the other, stand boldly out in connection with Ayr. Even the local disturbers of the public peace, the heads of septs in Kyle and Carrick, the Crawfords, the Campbells, and the Kennedys, in the 16th and 17th centuries, made it the focus or scene of some of their endless quarrels. Famous natives and residents, too, have thrown lustre over the town. Joannes Scotus Erigena, who shone like a star amid the darkness of Europe in the 9th century, is claimed by Ayr, but was more probably an Irishman. John Welsh, the famous High Presbyterian divine, was minister of Ayr from 1590 to 1605; at Ayr, in 1625, died his wife, Elizabeth Knox, daughter of the great Reformer; and in Young's Life of him, edited by the Rev. James Anderson, is much of interest regarding Ayr. Andrew Michael Ramsay (1686-1743), commonly called the Chevalier de Ramsay, well known for his *Travels of*

Cyrus, but better known as a convert to Romanism and as tutor to the Young Pretender, was a native. Dr M'Gill who, by his *Essay on the Death of Christ*, led the way to a great heresy in the latter part of last century, was one of the ministers of Ayr, and lies in its churchyard; his colleague was Dr Dalrymple, who figures in a poem of Burns as 'D'rymple mill.' Dr William Peebles, who dragged M'Gill's heresy into notice, and is styled by Burns 'Poet Willie,' was minister of Newton. Natives, too, were John London Macadam (1756-1836) of road-making celebrity; David Cathcart, Lord Alloway (1764-1829), judge of the Court of Session; Archibald Crawford (1779-1843), a minor poet; and Jas. Ferguson, D.C.L. (b. 1808), writer on architecture. But on ALLOWAY, Burns' birthplace, Ayr rests its highest claim to fame. He made the town so thoroughly his own by his graphic descriptions and humorous effusions, that it blends itself with much of his biography, both as a man and as a poet; and he knew it so long and so intimately that his panegyric may well be taken for true—

'Auld Ayr, wham ne'er a town surpasses
For honest men and bonny lasses.'

The civil parish of Ayr comprises the ancient parishes of Ayr and Alloway, which, nearly equal to each other in extent, are separated by Glengaw Burn. The united parish is bounded N by the river Ayr, parting it from Newton and St Quivox; E by Coynton; SE by Dalrymple; SW by the river Doon; and W by the Bay of Ayr or Firth of Clyde. It has an extreme length and breadth of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 7139 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 106 $\frac{3}{4}$ are foreshore, and 93 $\frac{3}{4}$ water. A small part of the parish of Maybole that lay on the right bank of the estuary of the Doon (and which included part of Sir Wm. Arrol's property of Seafield, also Abercromby Cottage, etc.) was in 1891 transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish of Ayr. The low level tracts in the SW were long bleak and barren, or covered mostly with firs and heath, but both these and all the other low level lands are now so enriched by cultivation and so embellished with wood as to look almost like a series of pleasure-grounds. The parts furthest inland are cold and bleak, and have a very tame appearance. The rocks lie deep, can be seen only in the river beds, in quarries, or in mines, and belong mainly to the Carboniferous formation, partly to massive or intersecting traps. Sandstone was formerly quarried, but it lies too deep to be now economically worked. A species of clay stone, well-known to artisans as 'Water of Ayr stone,' and used for whetting fine-edged tools and for polishing marble and metals, is got in the bed of the Ayr. Some fine specimens of agate are occasionally found on the shore. The soil, near the coast, is light and sandy; over the next 2 miles, or nearly so, is a light, rich, fertile mould; farther back, becomes somewhat churlish; and, on the boundary heights, is a cold, stiff, tilly clay. A lake, Loch Fergus, (3 x 1 furlong), with an islet in its centre, lies on the SE boundary; and another smaller lake, Carluie Loch, lies toward the S. The chief country residences are Castlehill, Belmont Cottage, Rozelle, Doonholm, Bellisle, Cambusdoon, and Mount Charles. A battle is said to have been fought between the Romans and the Caledonians, in the year 360, on the banks of Doon. Another battle figures obscurely, in the writings of Hollingshed, Boethius, and Buchanan, as having been fought, at some early period, between tribes of the Caledonians, somewhere on the south-western border of the parish; and is represented as having been fatal both to Fergus I., King of the Scots, and Coilus, King of the Britons. Loch Fergus is said to have been named from the former of these kings, and Coynton and Kyle from the latter. Seven proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 67 of between £100 and £500, 94 of from £50 to £100, and 100 of from £20 to £50. The seat of a presbytery in the synod of Glasgow and Ayr, the civil parish contains part of the *quoad sacra* parish of ALLOWAY. The charge is collegiate or double,

the income of the first minister being £433, of the second £370. Valuation of landward portion £14,948, ss. 2d. Pop. (1801) 5492, (1831) 7606, (1861) 9308, (1871) 9589, (1881) 10,182, (1891) 11,149.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 14, 1863. See D. Murray Lyon's *Notes on Ayr in the Olden Time*, and the Marquess of Bute's *Burning of the Barms of Ayr*.

The presbytery of Ayr, meeting there on the first Wednesday of February, April, May, July, October, and December, comprises the parishes of Auchinleck, Ayr, Barr, Coynton, Craigie, New Cumnock, Old Cumnock, Dailly, Dalmellington, Dalrymple, Dundonald, Galston, Girvan, Kirkmichael, Kirkoswald, Mauchline, Maybole, Monkton, Muirkirk, Newton-upon-Ayr, Ochiltree, St Quivox, Riccarton, Sorn, Stair, Straiton, Symington, and Tarbolton; the *quoad sacra* parishes of Alloway, Catrine, Crosshill, Fisherton, Fullarton, Girvan-South, Glenbuck, Maybole-West, Patna, St Leonard's, Troon, and Wallacestown; and the chapels of Annbank, Barnconnar, Lugar, and Newton-North. Pop. (1891) 112,328, of whom 21,562 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, when the sums raised by the above congregations in Christian liberality amounted to £12,247. The Free Church also has a presbytery of Ayr, in the synod of Glasgow and Ayr, with five churches at Ayr, and others at Ballantrae, Barr, Barrhill, Colmonell, Crosshill, three at New Cumnock, Old Cumnock, Dailly, Dalmellington, Dalrymple, Dundonald, Girvan, Kirkoswald, Maybole, Ochiltree, Prestwick etc., Stair, Symington, Tarbolton, and Troon. In 1891 the members of these 27 churches numbered 5030. The United Original Seceders likewise have a presbytery of Ayr, comprehending charges at Ayr, Auchinleck, Darvel, Kilmarcnock, Kilwinning, and Stranraer, and two charges in Ireland.

Ayr Bay, of an eastward expansion of the Firth of Clyde, opposite the island of Arran. It sweeps into the coast of Ayrshire in a concave form, and has an outline somewhat similar to that of a crescent moon. The chord of it, or the geographical line separating it from the main body of the firth, extends from Farland Head, at the E side of the entrance of the strait between Cumbrae islands and the mainland, 22 miles south-south-eastward to the Heads of Ayr or promontory of Brown Carrick Hill, 2 miles WSW of the mouth of the river Doon. The longest line, at right angles with the chord, to the mainland at the mouth of Irvine Water, is 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles. The extent of shore-line, exclusive of minor curvatures, is 25 miles. The aggregate of foreshore is about 2870 acres. The coast, in a general view, is all low, or but little diversified; and it has indentations of any consequence only at Ardrossan, Saltcoats, and Troon. An islet, called Horse Island, lies near Ardrossan. Another islet, called Lady Isle, lies $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Troon; and two rocks or skerries, Lappoch Rock and Meikle Craig, lie respectively 2 miles N by W, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by E, of Troon. The parishes on the coast are West Kilbride, Ardrossan, Stevenston, Irvine, Dundonald, Monkton, Newton, Ayr, and Maybole. The chief streams flowing into the bay are the Garnock and the Irvine, in the vicinity of Irvine; the Ayr, at Ayr harbour; and the Doon, 2 miles S of Ayr. The scenery of the bay blends on the N with that of Cumbrae and Bute, on the E with that of great part of Ayrshire, and on the S with that of Ailsa Craig and the main body of the firth, on the W with Arran and the Argyllshire mountains; and is surpassingly diversified and magnificent. In the bay are two lifeboat stations, one at Ayr and the other at Ardrossan. The lifeboat at the latter was renewed in 1892.

Ayr and Portpatrick Railway, a section of the Glasgow and South-Western system. The first reach of it, to the length of 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles, forms a trunk-line to jointly the Portpatrick and the Dalmellington, the latter going south-eastward to a distance of 15 miles from Ayr. The next reach goes 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles southward and south-south-westward to Maybole town; was opened in October 1857; was worked and maintained, under an Act of 1863, by the Glasgow and South-Western; and in 1871 was vested in that company at 7 per cent. Another

reach, called the Maybole and Girvan, extends 12½ miles southward and south-south-westward from Maybole to Girvan; was opened in 1860, and became amalgamated in 1865 with the Glasgow and South-Western. The Girvan and Portpatrick reach was opened in 1877, and was acquired by the Glasgow and South-Western in 1891.

Ayr Road, a railway station in Lanarkshire, on the Lesmahagow branch of the Caledonian railway, 1½ mile SE of Larkhall.

Ayrshire, a maritime county of SW Scotland. It is bounded N by Renfrewshire, NE by Renfrew and Lanark shires, E by Lanark and Dumfries shires, SE by Kirkcudbrightshire, S by Wigtownshire, W by the North Channel and the Firth of Clyde. Its length, from Kelly Burn in the N to Galloway Burn in the S, is 60 miles in a direct line, but 90 miles by the public road; its breadth increases from 3½ miles at the northern, and 6½ at the southern, extremity to 28 eastward from the Heads of Ayr; and its area comprises 723,873½ acres of land, 6075½ of foreshore, and 6957 of water—in all 1149 square miles. The parishes of Beith and Dunlop previous to 1891 were situated partly in the county of Ayr and partly in the county of Renfrew. In that year the Boundary Commissioners transferred the Renfrewshire portion of these parishes (543 and 1101 acres respectively) to the county of Ayr. The Buteshire portion (island of Little Cumbrae) of the parish of Ardrossan was at the same time transferred to the Buteshire parish of Cumbrae, but no change in the county boundary was caused by this transfer. There has also been some readjustment of the parishes within the county bounds, for which, however, see the separate articles. The rivers Irvine and Doon cut the entire area of the county into three sections, Cunninghame in the N, Kyle in the middle, Carrick in the S. These sections, if the entire area be represented as 52, have the proportions of respectively 13, 19, and 20. The first and the second are predominantly lowland, while the third is predominantly upland. Cunninghame and Kyle also in a main degree have the form of an amphitheatre, rich in inner beauty, and all looking across to the grand western mountain-screen of the Firth of Clyde; while Carrick, in a considerable degree, is a tumbling assemblage of brae and hill and mountain, with only close views in vale or glen, and outward views from seaboard vantage grounds. Yet the three sections somewhat fuse into one another in landscape character, and have peculiarities of feature each within itself. The north-western section of Cunninghame, lying like a broad wedge between Renfrewshire and the Firth of Clyde, southward to the vicinity of Farland Head, is mainly a mass of lofty hills, with intersecting narrow vales, and has mostly a rocky coast. The rest of Cunninghame is principally a pleasant diversity of hill and dale and undulation, declining to the Bay of Ayr and to the river Irvine; yet rises in the extreme SE into high moors contiguous to those around Drumclog in Lanarkshire, and dominated within its own limits by the conspicuous cone of Loudon Hill (900 feet). The upper part of Kyle, to the average breadth of 9 or 10 miles, all round from the sources of the river Irvine to the source of the river Doon in Loch Doon, is mostly moorish, and contains a large aggregate both of high bleak plateau and of lofty barren mountain. In the N is Distinkhorn (1258 feet), to E and S of which rise Blackside (1342), Dibblon Hill (1412), Middlefield Law (1528), Priesthill Height (1615), etc. Cairn Table, on the boundary with Lanarkshire, 2½ miles SE of Muirkirk, has an altitude of 1944 feet; Wardlaw hill, 2½ miles WSW of Cairn Table, has an altitude of 1630 feet; Blacklog, on the Dumfriesshire boundary, 6½ miles SSE of New Cumnock, has an altitude of 2231 feet; and Blackeraig Hill, 1½ mile N by W of Blacklog, has an altitude of 2298 feet. All the section S and SW of New Cumnock, to within 2½ miles of Dalmellington, also lies within the basin of the river Nith, and is separated by lofty watersheds from the rest of the county. The middle and the western parts of Kyle are traversed through the centre by the river Ayr, dividing them into

Kyle-Stewart on the N and King's Kyle on the S; they form, in a general view, to within about 4 miles of the coast, a continuous hanging plain, little diversified except by deep beds of streams, and by swelling knolls and hillocks; they terminate in a flattish fertile seaboard; and, to a large aggregate of their extent, they are richly embellished with culture and with wood. A graphic writer says, respecting all Kyle: 'The hill-country, towards the east, is bleak, marshy, uncultivated, and uninteresting; and on that side, except at one or two places, the district was formerly impervious. In advancing from these heights to the sea, the symptoms of fertility and the beneficial effects of cultivation rapidly multiply; but there is no "sweet interchange of hill and valley," no sprightliness of transition, no hold and airy touches either to surprise or delight. There is little variety, or even distinctness of outline, except where the vermiculations of the rivers are marked by deep fringes of wood waving over the shelvy banks, or where the multitudinous islands and hills beyond the sea exalt their colossal heads above the waves, and lend an exterior beauty to that heavy continuity of flatness, which, from the higher grounds of Kyle, appears to pervade nearly the whole of its surface. The slope, both here and in Cunninghame, is pitted with numberless shallow depressions, which are surmounted by slender prominences, rarely swelling beyond the magnitude of hillocks or knolls. Over this dull expanse the hand of art has spread some exquisite embellishments, which in a great measure atone for the native insipidity of the scene, but which might be still farther heightened by covering many of these spaces with additional woods, free from the dismal intermixture of Scotch fir.' Carrick contains several fine long narrow valleys, and numerous strips of low ground; but is mainly occupied by the western parts of the mountain ranges which extend across Scotland from the German Ocean, at the mutual border of Haddington and Berwick shires, through the south-eastern wing of Edinburghshire, Selkirkshire, Peeblesshire, the S of Lanarkshire, the NW of Dumfriesshire, the SE wing of Kyle, and the N of Kirkcudbrightshire, to the Firth of Clyde and the North Channel, along the whole seaboard of Carrick. These mountains are frequently designated the Southern Highlands of Scotland. Many of their summits around the sources of the rivers Tweed, Annan, and Clyde have altitudes of from 2000 to 2764 feet above the level of the sea; and their chief summits within Carrick have altitudes of from 1000 to 2520 feet; the latter being the height of Shalloch on Minnoch in BARR parish, the loftiest summit of Ayrshire. Keirs Hill, 4½ miles WNW of Dalmellington, is 1005 feet high; Dersaloch Hill, 2 miles S of Keirs Hill, 1179 feet; Strawwarren Fell, 6 miles E by S of Ballantrae, 1040 feet; Altmeig Hill, 4 miles SSE of Ballantrae, 1270 feet; and Beneraid, nearly midway between Altmeig Hill and Strawwarren Fell, 1435 feet. Most of Carrick is bleak and moorish; but many parts have rich scenery, ranging from the beautiful to the romantic or the wild.

The climate of Ayrshire generally resembles that of the other western parts of Scotland. The winds blow from the SW for more than two-thirds of the year; the rains are often copious, and sometimes of long duration. The principal streams, besides the Irvine, the Ayr, and the Doon, are the Garnock, in W of Cunninghame, receiving the Rye, the Caaf, the Dusk, and the Lugton, and running to the Irvine, at the Irvine's mouth; the Annick, in the E centre of Cunninghame, running to the Irvine, 2½ miles E of Irvine town; the Kilmarnock, in the E of Cunninghame, formed by the confluence of the Fenwick and the Cranfurdlan, and running to the Irvine at Kilmarnock town; the Cessnock, in the N of Kyle, running to the Irvine 2 miles W of Galston; the Greenock, the Garpel, and the Lugar in the E of Kyle, running to the Ayr; the Nith, in the SE of Kyle, receiving the Afton, and running into Dumfriesshire; the Girvan, in the N of Carrick, running to the Firth of Clyde at Girvan town; and the Stinchar, in the S of Carrick, receiving the Duisk, and running to the Firth

of Clyde at Ballantrae. The chief lake is Loch Doon, on the boundary with Kirkcudbrightshire. Other lakes are Kilmorie, on the northern border of Cunninghame; Dornal, on the boundary with Wigtownshire; several small lakes in the interior of Cunninghame and Kyle; Bogton, on the boundary between Kyle and Carrick, near Dalmellington; and Finlas, Bradan, Linfern, Riecaur, and Macaterick in the SE of Carrick. Two streams of uncommon magnitude are in Maybole parish, and springs of excellent water, copious and perennial, are in most parts. Mineral springs, some chalybeate, some sulphurous, are in almost every parish; but none of them possesses any special excellence.

Erupted rocks, of various kinds, form considerable masses in Carrick, and some lesser masses, together with dykes, in the higher parts of Kyle and Cunninghame. Silurian rocks, often on a basis of clay slate, predominate in Carrick and in the SE of Kyle. Carboniferous rocks, including coal, sandstone, limestone, and in some parts ironstone, underlie the valley of Girvan and great part of the low tracts of all Kyle and Cunninghame. Bituminous coal is mined at Dalry, Kilwinning, Stevenston, Riccarton, Galston, Muirkirk, St Quivox, Coynton, and other places. Blind coal, akin in character to anthracite, is also largely mined. Cannel coal of excellent quality occurs at Bedlarhill, near Kilmorie, and at Adamton, near Tarbolton. Ayrshire, after Lanarkshire, is the chief mining county of Scotland, its coal-mining alone employing some 13,000 persons. There are 104 collieries at work, whose total output amounts to more than 3,000,000 tons. Of these collieries 26 belonged to the Irvine-Kilwinning-Dalry district in the NW, 32 to the Kilmarnock-Galston district in the N, 25 to the Cumnock-Muirkirk district in the E, and 21 to the Ayr-Dalmellington-Girvan district in the S. In Muirkirk parish is an iron mine that annually yields between 7000 and 8000 tons of hematite ore; and from the coal measures more ironstone is raised than in any other county of Scotland—about 1,000,000 tons a year—while the Ayrshire output of fireclay is 62,000, of oil shales 13,000 tons. Limestone is largely worked, and sandstone quarried, in many places. Millstones are quarried near Kilbride, and a species of fire-stone near Auchinleck. Clay, of quality suitable for tiles and bricks, is extensively worked. Copper ore and lead ore have been mined; the latter to a considerable extent at Daleagles in New Cumnock. Gold is said to have been dug somewhere in the county, by an Englishman, about the year 1700. Antimony and molybdena have been found in Stair parish. A few specimens of agates, porphyries, and calcareous petrifications are got in the Carrick hills.

The soils may be classed into mossy and moorish, sandy or light, and clayey or argillaceous. Chalmers, assuming the entire acreage to be 665,600, assigns to the mossy and moorish soils 283,530 acres, to the sandy or light soils 120,110 acres, and to the clayey or argillaceous soils 261,960 acres. Aiton, assuming the entire acreage to be 814,600, assigns to the mossy and moorish soils 347,000 acres, to the sandy or light soils 147,000 acres, and to the clayey or argillaceous soils 320,000 acres. Aiton also assigns 54,000 acres of the mossy and moorish soils, 16,000 of the sandy or light soils, and 135,000 of the clayey or argillaceous soils to Cunninghame; 93,000 of the mossy and moorish soils, 41,000 of the sandy or light soils, and 175,600 of the clayey or argillaceous soils to Kyle; and 200,000 of the mossy and moorish soils, 90,000 of the sandy or light soils, and 10,000 of the clayey or argillaceous soils to Carrick. Much of what is classed as clayey or argillaceous is really loam; and part of that is of alluvial formation on the banks of streams or in the low level parts of valleys; part also is natural clay, worked into loamy condition by the arts of improved agriculture; and much more is naturally light soil, worked into loam by admixtures with it of clay, lime, and various manures. Agriculture, in all departments, has undergone vast improvement. Reclamation of waste lands, particularly of moors and mosses, has been effected to a great extent, so as to bring under the plough, not only a large aggregate of

ground which lay waste till the beginning of the present century, but also to affect materially the relative proportions of the different kinds of soils since the time when Chalmers and Aiton wrote. Furrow-draining was begun with the use of merely small stones; but it soon went on so vigorously and extensively as to require the use of many millions of tiles, and it speedily resulted in rendering multitudes of fields productive of double the previous quantities of grain. The rotation of crops, the selecting of manures, the adapting of seed to soil, the adjusting of connection between the arable and the pastoral husbandries, the choice of improved implements, and most of the other arts of effective cultivation, have had corresponding attention, and been correspondingly successful. The improvement, since the middle or even the end of last century, has been wonderful. Agriculture throughout the county, at no very remote date, was in a miserable condition; wheat was seldom seen, beyond the limits of a nobleman's farm, prior to the year 1785; turnips were not introduced till about the middle of last century, and then by the Earls of Eglinton and Loudoun; rye grass, though a native plant, remained unnoticed till about 1760, and did not come into general use till 1775; animal food, till a comparatively late date, was only an occasional luxury of the middle classes, and a thing almost unattainable by the peasantry; and the entire estates of some of the landlords, even into the present century, were so sparsely productive as to be scarcely or not at all sufficient for the maintenance of their own families. But now the county, viewed as a whole, is agriculturally rich, not only for the liberal sustenance of its own population, but also for the purposes of a large export trade. Even so long ago as 1837 a writer in the *New Statistical Account* could say respecting it—'During the last few years, the farmers have in general devoted much of their attention to the study of agriculture as a practical science; and erroneous processes in the cultivation of the soil, which antiquated prejudice or inveterate custom had long retained, are gradually becoming obsolete; while useful improvements and discoveries are eagerly substituted in their place. Farmers' societies have done much to introduce a more enlightened mode of husbandry than formerly prevailed. This has been greatly aided also by the example of many of the landed proprietors, who themselves farm on a large scale.' This progress is markedly shown by the agricultural statistics of the county. The gardens, orchards, and pleasure grounds, on account of both their extent and their tastefulness, have long challenged general admiration. The planting of trees, throughout the low tracts and in some of the higher grounds, has been sufficiently extensive to give the country both a sheltered and an embellished aspect; yet often has been done in an injudicious way, both by the crowding of trees into narrow belts or choking clumps, and by a too predominant selection of the Scottish pine. About one thirty-third of the entire area is under wood.

Sheep, of various breeds, receive some attention in the lowland districts; and sheep, chiefly of the black-faced breed, are objects of general care on the upland pastures. But cattle, specially dairy cows, throughout most of the county, are so pre-eminently cared for as to occasion comparative neglect of all other kinds of live stock. The Galloway cattle, a well-shaped, hardy, hornless breed, are prevalent in Carrick. The Irish, the Highland, and the Alderney breeds occur in some parts, but are few in number. The Holderness, the wide-horned, the Craven, the Lancashire, and the Leicester breeds have been shown and recommended, but cannot be said to have been introduced. The Ayrshire breed is native to the county, or has come into existence within the county; yet it does not appear to have existed earlier than about the third or fourth decade of last century; and it came into being in some way or under some circumstances which cannot be clearly traced. It is a middle-horn breed, and evidently allied to the North Devon, the Hereford, the Sussex, the Falkland, and the West Highland breeds, or to other descendants of the

aboriginal cattle of Great Britain; and it possibly passed slowly into distinctive variety, under the modifying influences of Ayrshire local soil and local climate. It may really, as to nascent distinctive character, have existed long prior to last century; it may have begun to challenge attention only when men began to be agriculturally scientific; and it seems to have acquired development of shape, colour, and other characteristics under crossing with imported individuals of English breeds. Several cows and a bull, thought to have been of the Tees Water breed, or of some other English breed allied to the Tees Water, and all of a high brown and white colour, were brought, in the year 1750, to the Earl of Marchmont's estates in Kyle; and these may have been a source of the colours which now prevail in the Ayrshire breed. But however this breed originated, it was fully formed about the year 1780, and was then adopted, to the exclusion of every other breed, by the opulent farmers of Dunlop and Stewarton parishes; and it afterwards was adopted, as an exclusive breed, throughout most of the lowland farms of all Cunninghame, Kyle, and Carrick. Nor did it spread merely throughout Ayrshire, but also into Lanarkshire, Renfrewshire, and large portions of Stirlingshire, Dumbartonshire, and Linlithgowshire, and into districts other than those of Scotland. The best cows vary in weight from 20 to 40 stone, according to the quality or quantity of their food; they are esteemed mainly for the abundance of their milk; and they yield so much as from 10 to 13 or even 14 Scotch pints per day—a feature of the Ayrshire cow being the length of time over which its milk-producing powers extend. Altogether it is such a wonderful milker—no cow in the British Islands giving more milk according to its weight (though unfortunately that is not great, the animal being somewhat diminutive)—that it is pre-eminently the dairyman's cow, the animals best adapted for the dairy farm being those that will give an abundance of milk. The milk of the Ayrshire breed, further, is rich in butter-making properties. A mixture of bloods, however, that would give quantity of milk with largeness of frame and aptitude to feed would no doubt be more preferable. Consequently the Ayrshire shorthorns are much prized, both for the purposes of the dairy and the butcher. The beef of the Ayrshires is of good quality, and possesses a good admixture of lean and fat, but makes bad returns to the butcher, and is in no great request. The back of a prime specimen is straight and nearly level, yet has one straight depression at the top of the shoulder, and an evident tendency to another over the loin; the ribs are pretty round; the sides are deep, but show a deficiency in the fulness of the buttocks; the breast is comparatively narrow; the upper surface of the body shows far less breadth at the shoulder than at the hocks, and has a kind of wedge-shaped outline; the length of the body is proportionately greater than the height; the legs are comparatively short; the muzzle is fine; the face is broad but rather short; the eye is placid; the expression of the face is gentle but dull; the horns are short and turned up; the skin is smooth and thin; the touch is good, yet wants the mellowness which accompanies a thick soft skin; and the colours are red and white like those of the short-horns, but not so rich in hue, sometimes mixed with black, and always arranged in blotches and patches which are irregular, seldom circular, and never grizzled. The greater portion of the milk throughout Ayrshire is manufactured into cheese. The best of the cheese bears the name of Dunlop, from the parish where the Ayrshire breed was first systematically appreciated for the dairy; and it has long and steadily been in high demand as an article of export. The bull calves are usually fed for veal; and the heifer calves are kept to renew the stock of cows. Attention to cattle and to the dairy appears to have prevailed from a remote period, for Ortelius wrote in 1573 that 'in Carrick are oxen of large size, whose flesh is tender and sweet and juicy,' and the well-known antiquated couplet runs—

' Kyle for a man, Carrick for a cow,
Cunninghame for butter and cheese, and Galloway for wool.'

The manufactures of Ayrshire are various and important. The yearly value of Scotch carpets woven at Kilmarnock rose from £21,000 in 1791 to £150,000 in 1837, but afterwards fell off to about £100,000. The weaving of Brussels carpets was begun at Kilmarnock in 1857, and has been prosperously conducted on a large scale. The weaving of Scotch carpets, and the spinning of yarns for Brussels carpets, were begun at Ayr in 1832, and employ some 500 persons. The making of woollen bonnets at Kilmarnock, Kilmours, and Stewarton employs about 4000 men, women, and children, and turns out goods to the annual value of £146,000. The weaving of wineys, flannels, plaidings, blankets, tweeds, tartans, and some other woollen fabrics, employs about 800 persons in Ayr, Kilmarnock, and Dalrymple. The spinning of woollen yarn employs about 60 persons at Crookedholm, and about 350 at Dalry. Linen was manufactured in Ayrshire more extensively in former years than now. So many as 22 lint-mills were in the county in 1772; but only 3 flax-mills, employing 172 persons, were in it in 1838. The chief localities of the linen manufactures have been Kilbirnie and Beith. The cotton manufacture has failed in some places, as Ayr, but has largely succeeded in other places, as Catrine, Kilbirnie, and Patna. The number of cotton mills within the county in 1838 was 4; and these employed 703 persons. Hand-loom cotton-weaving, chiefly for manufacturers in Glasgow, is largely carried on in Fenwick, Saltcoats, Tarbolton, Maybole, Girvan, and some other towns. The embroidering of muslin employed multitudes of women from about the year 1825; was carried on chiefly in connection with manufacturers in Glasgow, and acquired such excellence at the hands of the Ayrshire workers, that the produce of it became generally known, in both the home and the foreign markets as Ayrshire needlework; but sustained a severe check in 1857, and is not now carried on to so much as half its previous extent. Some forty furnaces in the shire, not, however, always in blast, together produce about 276,000 tons of pig-iron. The manufacture of ornamental wooden snuff-boxes and other small wooden articles long employed many persons in Cumnock, Mauchline, and Auchinleck; but has very greatly declined. Calico-printing, bleaching, silk-weaving, hat-making, tanning, shoemaking, machine-making, ship-building, and other departments of industry, employ a large number of persons.

The roads from Glasgow to Dumfries and Portpatrick, and from Greenock and Paisley to all the Border counties, pass through Ayrshire; and excellent roads connect all the county's own towns with one another, and with every place of consequence beyond. The main line of the Glasgow and South-Western railway enters Ayrshire near Beith; proceeds by way of Dalry, Kilmarnock, Mauchline, Old Cumnock, and New Cumnock; and passes down the valley of the Nith into Dumfriesshire. A great branch of the same system, originally the southern part of the Glasgow and Ayr railway, leaves the main line near Dalry, and proceeds past Irvine and along the coast to Ayr. Local railways, or branches of the Glasgow and South-Western, go from Ayr to Girvan, from Ayr to Dalmellington, from Ayr to Mauchline, from Troon and also from Irvine to Kilmarnock, from Kilwinning to Ardrossan, from Hurlford to Newmilns, and from Auchinleck to Muirkirk, etc.; and, together with the main lines of the Glasgow and South-Western, form a connected system of communication through great part of the county. The Girvan and Portpatrick Junction railway was authorised in 1865, and opened in 1877. The Greenock and Ayrshire railway, authorised in 1865, and amalgamated with the Glasgow and South-Western in 1872, gives direct communication from all the Ayrshire stations of the Glasgow and South-Western system to Greenock, but has its connection with the system, and all its course, within Renfrewshire. The Greenock and Wemyss Bay railway, opened in 1865, at its terminus is within a short distance of the Ayrshire border, passing over the romantic glen of Inverkip. The Glasgow and Kilmarnock direct railway, authorised in 1865, and com-

pleted in 1873, starts from the Glasgow and Neilston branch of the Caledonian system at Crofthead on the southern border of Renfrewshire, sends off a branch to Beith, and goes by way of Stewarton to Kilmarnock, the Caledonian railway sending off a branch for Ardrossan by Kilwinning, while running powers give that railway direct access to Ayr. The seaports of Ayrshire are Girvan, Ayr, Troon, Irvine, Saltcoats, Ardrossan, and Largs.

The royal burghs are Ayr and Irvine; a parliamentary burgh is Kilmarnock; police burghs are Ardrossan, Cumnock, Galston, Girvan, Kilwinning, Largs, Maybole, Newmilns, Saltcoats, and Stewarton; other towns are Beith, Catrine, Dalry, Darvel, Hurlford, Kilbirnie, Muirkirk, Stevenston, Troon, Annbank, Auchinleck, Bankhead, Dalmeington, Eglinton-Works, Kilmaurs, Lugar, Mauchline, Tarbolton, Waterside, and West Kilbride; and the principal villages are Afton-Bridgend, Alwrick-Lodge, Ballantrae, Barrmill, Bensley, Castle, Colmonell, Common-Dyke, Connel Park, Craighank, Craigmarnk, Cronberry, Crosshill, Crosshouse, Dailly, Dalrymple, Den, Dornconner, Doura, Drakemuir, Dreghorn, Dunlop, Elderslie, Fardlehill, Fairlie, Fenwick, Fergus-hill, Gaswater, Gateside, Glenbuck, Glangarnock, Kirk-michael, Kirkoswald, Langbar, Monkton, New Prestwick, Ochiltree, Overton, Pathhead, Patna, Prestwick, Riddens, Skelmorlie, Sorn, Southfield, Symington, Whitlets, New Cumnock, and Straiton. Some of the principal mansions are Culzean Castle, Dumfries House, Fullarton House, Eglinton Castle, Loudoun Castle, Kelburne House, Brisbane House, Auchinleck House, Killochan Castle, Kilkerran, Blairquhan Castle, Dalquharran Castle, Bargany, Berbeth, Enterkine, Barskimming, Sundrum, Auchencruive, Ballochmyle, Craufurdland, Logan House, Fairlie House, Cambusdoun, Shewalton, Lanfine, Craigie, Auchendrane, Rozelle, Pinmore, Glenapp, Sorn Castle, Milrig, Anchans, Caldwell, Blanefield, Corsehill, Auchanames, Knoek Castle, Auchenbarvie, Treesbank, Galdgirth, Newfield, Cairnhill, Rowallan Castle, Doonholm, Bourtree Hill, Glenmore House, Mansfield House, Knoekdolian, Seafield, and Swinlees. According to *Miscellaneous Statistics of the United Kingdom* 721,947 acres, with total gross estimated rental of £1,121,252, were divided among 9376 landowners; one holding 76,015 acres (rental, (£35,839), six together 175,774 (£182,405), nine 134,543 (£89,326), seven 52,592 (£27,729), thirty-nine 116,543 (£126,786), forty-seven 68,573 (£205,299), fifty 34,879 (£25,224), two hundred and two 42,921 (£89,322), one hundred and forty-one 9925 (£23,452), two hundred and fifty-two 5818 (£31,084), five hundred and sixty-nine 1916 (£51,748), and eight thousand and fifty 2251 acres (£202,731).

The county is governed (1891) by a lord-lieutenant, a vice-lieutenant, 38 deputy-lieutenants, a sheriff, 2 sheriff-substitutes, and 288 magistrates; and is divided, for administration, into the two districts of Ayr and Kilmarnock. The sheriff court for the Ayr district is held at Ayr on every Tuesday and Thursday during session; the commissary court, on every Thursday; the sheriff small debt court, on every Thursday; the justice of peace court, on every Monday; the quarter sessions, on the first Tuesday of March, the fourth Tuesday of May, the first Tuesday of August, and the third Tuesday of November. The sheriff court for the Kilmarnock district is held at Kilmarnock on every Wednesday and Thursday during session; the sheriff small debt court, on every Thursday; the justice of peace court, on every alternate Monday. Sheriff small debt courts are held also at Irvine in every alternate month, at Beith and Cumnock four times a year, and at Girvan three times a year. The police force, in 1891, exclusive of that in Ayr and Kilmarnock, comprised 135 men, and the salary of the chief constable was £500. The prison is at Ayr, Kilmarnock having been discontinued in 1880. The County Council is composed of fifty-four elected members and two nominated by the burgh of Irvine, the Standing Joint-Committee of county being appointed partly by the council and partly by the commissioners of supply. Besides the District Board of Lunacy for

the county, there is the County Road Board, divided into four committees, for the Northern, Kilmarnock, Ayr, and Carrick districts. The annual value of real property, in 1815, was £409,983; in 1843, £520,828; in 1865, £876,438; in 1881, £1,257,881; in 1891, £1,065,223, including railways. The county, exclusive of its three burghs, sent one member to parliament prior to the Reform Act of 1867; but it was divided by that into two sections, north and south; and it now sends one member from each of the two sections. The constituency in 1891 of the northern section was 12,261; of the southern, 14,912. Pop. (1801) 84,207, (1811) 103,839, (1821) 127,299, (1831) 145,055, (1841) 164,356, (1851) 189,858, (1861) 198,971, (1871) 200,809, (1881) 217,519, (1891) 226,283, of whom 110,987 were males and 115,296 females. Houses inhabited (1891) 45,252; vacant, 3126; building, 283.

The registration county includes parts of Beith and Dunlop from Renfrewshire, and until 1891 also part of West Kilbride parish from Buteshire. The Buteshire portion was the island of Little Cumbrae, which was assigned in the census to the parish of West Kilbride, but to that of Ardrossan in the Ordnance maps and valuation rolls. The Boundary Commissioners, as already remarked, have transferred this portion to the Buteshire parish and registration district of Cumbrae, while the Renfrewshire portions of the parishes of Beith and Dunlop have been left untouched. The registration county comprises 46 parishes; and had, in 1891, a population of 226,403. Forty-five of the parishes are assessed, and one unassessed for the poor; and 35 of them, in three combinations of 13, 16, and 6, have poorhouses at respectively Ayr, Irvine, and Maybole—namely, Kyle, with accommodation for 168; Cunninghame, with accommodation for 479; and Maybole, with accommodation for 48. The percentage of illegitimate births is about 7.

Excepting Ballantrae, Colmonell, and Glenapp, in the presbytery of Stranraer and synod of Galloway, and Largs, in the presbytery of Greenock, all the parishes of Ayrshire are in the presbyteries of Ayr and IRVINE and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. In 1891 the county had 146 public and 41 non-public but State-aided schools—in all 107 schools, with accommodation for 45,889 children, and an average attendance of 32,726. Besides these there are four industrial schools—namely, two at Ayr and two at Kilmarnock.

The territory now forming Ayrshire was in the 2d century A.D. the southern part of the region of the Damnonii, one of whose towns, 'Vandogara,' is placed by Skene 'on the river Irvine, at Loudon Hill, where there are the remains of a Roman camp, afterwards connected with "Coria" or Carstairs by a Roman road.' Two battles are said to have been fought, in early times, in the SW of Kyle, the one between some native tribes and the Romans, the other between two confederacies of states of the natives themselves; but both battles, as to at once their date, their scene, the parties engaged, and the results, are so obscure as scarcely to be matters of history. Even the ancient inhabitants, as to who they were—whether descendants of the Damnonii or immigrants from the regions of some other tribes—from the establishing of the Roman domination onward through many centuries, cannot be historically identified. They seem, on the whole, from such evidence as exists, to have been in some way or other more purely Celtic than the inhabitants of most of the other low countries between the Grampians and the Tweed. Their descendants, too, down to so late a period as the 16th century, appear to have spoken the Gaelic language, or at least to have understood it. The entire territory, after the withdrawal of the Romans, became part of the kingdom of Strathclyde or Cumbria; but, in the 8th century, Kyle and Cunninghame became subject to the kings of Northumbria. The Saxons, under these kings, seem to have taken a firm grasp of the country, to have revolutionized its customs, and to have indoctrinated it with love of Saxon usages, and they have left in it numerous traces of their presence and power. Alpin, king of the Scots-Irish, invaded the territory in the

9th century, but was defeated and slain in a battle at Dalmellington. Haco, King of Norway, in the course of his contest for the sovereignty of the Hebrides, made descents upon it in 1263, and suffered overwhelming discomfiture in a famous battle at Larga. The forces of Edward I. of England, in the course of the wars of the succession, made considerable figure in it, particularly in Kyle and in the N of Carrick; and suffered humiliating reverses from Wallace and from Bruce at Ayr, at Turnberry, and particularly at London Hill. The career of Wallace began in the vicinity of Irvine; a signal exploit of his occurred at Ayr; the grand coup for wrenching the territory from the English was struck at Loudon; and the first parliament under Bruce was held at Ayr. The county, as a whole, played a vigorous, an honourable, and a persistent part throughout all the struggle which issued in Scottish independence. Nor was it less distinguished in the subsequent, higher, nobler struggle, from the time of Mary till the time of James VII., for achieving religious liberty. Both Wishart and Knox pursued their labours frequently in it; and many of the leaders of the Covenanting movements against the oppressive policy of Charles II. and James VII., either were natives of its soil, rallying around them multitudes of zealous neighbours, or were strangers welcomed and supported by ready, generous local enthusiasm. Much of the history of the later Covenanters, specially what relates to the antecedents of the fights at Drumclog, at Rullion-Green, and at Airdsmoss, reads almost like a local history of Ayrshire. So conspicuously did the Ayrshire men contend for the rights of conscience, that they became the special object of the savage punishment inflicted by the Government, in 1678, in the letting loose of the wild well-known 'Highland Host.' 'We might from these circumstances,' says Chalmers, 'suppose that the people of Ayrshire would concur zealously in the Revolution of 1688. As one of the western shires, Ayrshire sent its full proportion of armed men to Edinburgh to protect the Convention of Estates. On the 6th of April 1689, the forces that had come from the western counties, having received thanks from the Convention for their seasonable service, immediately departed with their arms to their respective homes. They were offered some gratification; but they would receive none, saying that they came to save and serve their country, not to enrich themselves at the nation's expense. It was at the same time ordered "that the inhabitants of the town of Ayr should be kept together till further orders." On the 14th of May arms were ordered to be given to Lord Bargeny, an Ayrshire baronet. On the 25th of May, in answer to a letter from the Earl of Eglinton, the Convention ordered "that the heritors and fencible men in the shire of Ayr be instantly raised and commanded in conformity to the appointment of the Estates." But of such proofs of the revolutionary principles of Ayrshire enough! The men of Ayr not only approved of the Revolution, but they drew their swords in support of its establishment and principles. On that memorable occasion not only were the governors changed, but new principles were adopted, and better practices were introduced; and the Ayrshire people were gratified by the abolition of Episcopacy and by the substitution of Presbyterianism.'

Antiquities, of various kinds, are numerous. Cairns, stone circles, and suchlike Caledonian remains are at Sorn, Galston, and other places. Vestiges of a Roman road are in the vicinity of Ayr. Traces of Danish camps are at Dundonald and in the neighbourhood of Ardrossan. Mediaeval castles, or remains of them, are at Loch Doon, Turnberry, Dundonald, and Sorn. Fine old monastic ruins are at Crossraguel and Kilwinning; and a ruined church, immortalised by Burns, is at Alloway. The most ancient families are the Auchinlecks, the Boswells, the Boyds, the Cathcarts, the Crawfords, the Cunninghams, the Dalrymples, the Dunlops, the Fullartons, the Kennedys, the Lindsays, the Montgomeries, and the Wallaces. The oldest peerage connected with the county is the Earldom of Carrick, which

belonged to Bruce, and belongs now to the Prince of Wales. Other peerage titles are Baron Kiltmaurs, created about 1450, united to the Earldom of Glencairn in 1503, and dormant since 1796; Earl of Eglinton, created in 1508, and conjoined with the title of Baron Ardrossan in the peerage of the United Kingdom in 1806; Earl of Cassillis, created in 1511, and conjoined with the title of Marquis of Ailsa in the peerage of the United Kingdom in 1801; Baron Ochiltree, created in 1543, and dormant since 1675; Earl of Loudoun, created in 1633; Viscount of Ayr, created in 1622, and conjoined since 1633 to the Earldom of Dumfries, and since 1796 to the Marquisate of Bute; Viscount Irvine, created in 1611, and extinct since 1778; Earl of Kilmarnock, created in 1661, and attainted in 1716; and Earl of Dundonald, created in 1669, and united then with the title of Baron Cochrane of Paisley and Ochiltree. Distinguished natives of Ayrshire have been very numerous; the greatest of them has almost given it a new name—the 'Land of Burns.' See James Paterson, *History of the County of Ayr* (2 vols.); Archibald Starrock, 'Report on the Agriculture of Ayrshire' in the *Transactions of the Highland and Agricultural Society*; and *Modern Practical Fariery*: section 'Cattle and their Breeds and Merits.'

Ayton (anc. *Eitun*, 'Eye-town'), a village and a coast parish of Berwickshire. The village stands near the left bank of Eye Water, 2½ miles inland and ½ mile NW of Ayton station on the North British, this being 7½ miles NW by W of Berwick-upon-Tweed and 49½ ESE of Edinburgh. A pleasant, well-built place, it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Commercial and Royal Banks, gas-works, inns and hotels, a volunteer hall, and a saw-mill. Thursday is market-day, and justice of peace courts are held on the first Thursday of every month but September; sheriff small debt courts on the first Monday of February, the second Monday of May, the Tuesday before the last Friday of July, and the first Thursday of October. Places of worship are the parish church (750 sittings) and two U.P. churches—Summerhill (561 sittings) and Springbank (350 sittings; rebuilt, for £1210, in 1872). The parish church, erected (1864-66) at a cost of £7000, is a beautiful First Pointed structure, with nave, S aisle, transept, and chancel, a SW spire 120 feet high, and stained-glass chancel and transept windows. Pop. (1831) 663, (1861) 875, (1871) 745, (1881) 771, (1891) 653.

The parish contains also the fishing village of BURNMOUTH, 2½ miles to the E. Bounded N by Coldingham and Eyemouth, E by the German Ocean, SE by Mordington, S by Foulden, and W by Chirside and Coldingham, it has an utmost length and breadth of 3½ miles and an area of 6832 acres, of which 105½ are foreshore and 27 water. The coast, about 3 miles long, forms an almost continuous but much-indented precipice, rising, from N to S, to 71 feet near Nestends, 149 on Gungreenhill, 160 at Scout Point, 339 near Hurker, 310 on Burnmouth Hill, and 170 at Ross. The cliffs are pierced by two or three caverns, accessible only from the sea, and famous in smuggling annals; three islets at the northern extremity, during strong easterly gales, drive the waves up in sheets of foam to a height of from 70 to 100 feet. The SE portion of the interior presents an assemblage of softly-contoured, richly-wooded hills, the highest of them Ayton Hill (654 feet) 1½ mile SE of the village, whilst lesser eminences are Millerton Hill, Bastleridge (375), Ayton Cocklaw (315), Flemington (275), and Redhall (320). The NW portion between the Eye and the Ale, though lower is everywhere undulating, attaining 251 feet near Aytonwood House, 291 in the Drill plantation, and 297 on the Coldingham border. The EYE runs 1½ mile south-eastward near or upon the western boundary, till, striking north-eastward, it winds for 2½ miles through the interior, next for 1½ mile along the Eyemouth border to the sea. Its scenery here is very pretty and varied, as, too, is that of the tributary ALE, which flows 3½ miles east-south-eastward along the Coldingham and Eyemouth confines, and of the North British

railway, which curves $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles from W to SE through Ayton. The rocks, Silurian and Devonian, exhibit all sorts of inclinations, curvatures, and contortions, as seen in the cliffs, and furnish good building stone and road metal. The soils range from loamy to gravelly, are mostly as fertile as any in the shire, and overlie great quantities of boulders and coarse gravel. Plantations cover some 800 acres; between 200 and 300 are in pasture; and all the rest are highly cultivated. Traces of five camps, ascribed to Romans, Picts, Saxons, and Danes, and remains of an ancient Romanesque parish church, make up the antiquities. Urns with pieces of broken armour have been occasionally brought to the surface by the plough. Of the castle founded by the Norman baron De Vesce, and demolished in 1498 by the Earl of Surrey, no vestige now exists. Modern mansions are the following:—Ayton Castle, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE

of the village; Peclwalls, $1\frac{1}{2}$ S by W; Netherbyres, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE; Gungreen, 3 miles NNE, opposite Eymouth; Prendergust, and Whiterig. Of these, Ayton Castle is a splendid baronial edifice of reddish stone, built in 1851 on the site of a predecessor destroyed by fire in 1834, and standing out prominently from its surrounding woods. In all 8 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 6 of between £100 and £500, 3 of from £50 to £100, and 33 of from £20 to £50. Ayton is in the presbytery of Chirnside and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; the living is worth £358. Two public schools, Ayton and Burmouth, with respective accommodation for 328 and 146 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 148 and 104, and grants of £141, 18s. and £87, 5s. Valuation, £17,045, 12s. 9d. Pop. (1841) 1784, (1861) 2014, (1871) 1983, (1881) 2037, (1891) 1827.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 34, 1864.

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BA (Gael. 'cow's stream'), a lake and rivulet in Torosay parish, Mull, Argyllshire. The lake, lying towards the middle of the island, is $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles long from E to W, and about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile wide; the rivulet, issuing from its western end, runs about 2 miles NW and W to head of Loch na Keal; and both lake and stream abound in salmon, sea-trout, salmon-ferox, and common brown trout.

Ba or **A-Baw**, an isleted loch in Glenorchy parish, NE Argyllshire, on Rannoch Muir, 6 miles SE of Kinghouse Inn, Glencoe. Very irregular in outline, it has an extreme length and breadth of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles and $\frac{3}{4}$ mile, lies at an altitude of 957 feet, and teems with trout; the river Ba, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles long above, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ below, the lake, connects it with Loch Laidon, and so with Loch Rannoch.

Ba, an islet of Applecross parish, W Ross-shire, with 5 inhabitants in 1861, but none since.

Ba or **Bahill**, a wooded eminence 700 feet high in Drumblade parish, Aberdeenshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSE of Huntly. It is thought to have got its name from football contests in bygone days.

Baads, a moorish tract in the W of Cullen parish, Banffshire. It is falsely said by the later chronicles to have been the scene of a fierce battle between Norwegians and Indulph, King of Alban (954-62), in which the latter was slain; but certainly it is thickly studded with tumuli, containing decayed bones, fragments of arms, and other relics.

Baberton, an estate, with a mansion, in Currie parish, Edinburghshire. The mansion stands 1 mile NE of Currie village, is said to have belonged to James VI., and was a temporary residence of Charles X. of France.

Babylon. See BOTHWELL.

Bach, two of the Treshinish Isles, Bach-more and Bach-beg, off the mouth of Loch Tua, on the W side of Mull, Argyllshire.

Bachnagairn, a picturesque fall on the South Esk river, in Cortachy parish, Forfarshire. It occurs about 1 mile S of Loch Esk; makes a leap of more than 60 feet; and is flanked by high, wooded, precipitous rocks. A shooting lodge of the same name is near.

Back, a village on the E coast of Lewis island, Ross-shire, 7 miles NNE of Stornoway, under which it has a post office. It has a Free church. Pop. (1891) 596.

Back, a burn winding round the base of Tower Hill, in Pittencrieff Glen, contiguous to Dunfermline, Fifeshire.

Back, a burn of NW Elginshire, issuing from the Loch of Romach on the southern boundary of Rafford parish, and winding down the valley of Pluscardine.

Backaskail, a bay in Cross and Burness parish, Sanday island, Orkney. It produces enormous quantities of shell-fish.

Backies, a hamlet in Golspie parish, Sutherlandshire, 2 miles N of Golspie village. It has some remains of an ancient tower, which, probably built by the Norsemen, commanded an extensive prospect over both sea and land.

Backlass, a hill, 300 feet above sea-level, in Watten parish, Caithness, $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles WSW of Watten village. A fair is held here on 15 Sept., old style, if a Tuesday, otherwise on the Tuesday after.

Backmuir, a village in Liff and Benvie parish, Forfarshire, near the Perthshire boundary, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Dundee.

Backmuir, a village on the northern border of Largo parish, Fife, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Ceres.

Backwater, a burn and a hamlet in Lintrathen parish, Forfarshire. The burn rises in the northern extremity of the parish, and runs southward to a confluence with the Melgam, a little above Lintrathen church. The hamlet takes name from the burn, and has a private school.

Badcaul, a rivulet and a bay in Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland. The rivulet brings down the superfluence of a chain of small lakes, which abound in trout; and it runs about 6 miles westward to the head of the bay. The church of Eddrachillis and a public school are at the head of the bay, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Kyle-Sku Ferry. The bay forms a well-sheltered sea-inlet, about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile long; and has, across its mouth, a picturesque and numerous group of small islands.

Baden or **Baddanloch**, the third and most easterly of a chain of three lakes in Kildonan parish, Sutherland, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Kinbrace station. The three are Loch nan Cuinne, 3 miles long from N to S, and from 1 to 6 furlongs wide; Loch a Chair, $1\frac{1}{2}$ by 1 mile; and Loch Baden itself, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile long from NW to SE, and from 4 to 7 furlongs wide. They lie 392 feet above sea-level, send off a stream to Helmsdale river, and all of them teem with trout and char.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 109, 1878.

Badenoch, the south-eastern district of Invernesshire, bounded NW by the watershed of the Monadhliath Mountains, separating it from Stratherrick and Strathdearn; NE by Elginshire, and partly there by a line drawn across the Braes of Abernethy; SE by the watershed of part of the Braes of Abernethy, the watershed of the central Grampians, and a line drawn across Loch Erich and round the S base of Ben Alder, separating it partly from Aberdeenshire, mainly from Perthshire; and SW by an artificial line striking the foot of Loch Laggan, and separating it from Lochaber. Its greatest length, from NE to SE, is 45 miles; and its greatest breadth is 19 miles. It includes part of Glen Spey in the SW, and all Glen Truim in the S; and it is traversed, from the convergence of these glens, onward to its north-

eastern boundary, by the river SPEY. The surface, in a general view, is mountainous and wild, and comprises but a small aggregate of low or cultivated land. The south-western third of it is entirely Highland, diversified only by Loch Laggan, the upper part of Loch Erich, and a few deep narrow glens. The south-eastern border also, to an average breadth of at least 7 miles, is all a continuous mountain mass of the Grampians and the Abernethy Braes, cleft by wild glens. The central tract along the course of the Spey is the principal scene of culture and the principal seat of population; and that, as may be seen from the account of the greater part of it under ALVIE and ROTHMURCHUS, abounds in features of exquisite beauty. Yet many spots in the glens are attractive both in natural character and in artificial embellishment; and a large aggregate of the skirts and shoulders of the mountains is covered with wood.—Badenoch, from the reign of Alexander II. till that of Robert Bruce (1230-1306), was held and despotically ruled by the family of Comyn; and it retains vestiges of their fortresses, as at Loch-an-Eilan and Loch-Indhorb, which show a massiveness and a strength of masonry never seen in the ordinary baronial fortalices of Scotland. The Comyns, as is well known, contested the crown of Scotland with the Bruces, and acted prominently in the intrigues and conflicts of the wars of the succession. Robert Bruce slew the Red Comyn at Dumfries, and gave the lordship of Badenoch to Randolph, Earl of Moray. In 1371 Robert II. transferred the lordship, with extraordinary powers of barony and regality, to his own illegitimate son, the Earl of Buchan, commonly known as the Wolf of Badenoch. This man was a sort of Celtic Attila, ferocious in temper, cruelly tyrannical in behaviour; and both performed and provoked such deeds of spoliation and slaughter as gave full warrant for his *sobriquet*. But various persons, called the king's kindly tenants, and also various churchmen, with tenures independent of the local authority, obtained grants of portions of land within Badenoch; and these afterwards maintained many a struggle with the superiors of the soil. The Earls of Huntly, and their successors, the Dukes of Gordon, from 1452 ruled over most of Badenoch. Yet the Clan Chattan, or rather the Macpherson section of that clan, early got possession of the upper section of the district, and always continued to hold that section; while the Macintoshes and the Grants obtained and have held possession of some other parts. Laggan Roman Catholic chapel, designated of Badenoch, was built in 1846, and contains 272 sittings.

Badenscote. See AUCHTERLESS.

Badensgill, a hamlet and a burn in Linton parish, Peeblesshire. The hamlet lies on the burn, near its mouth, 2½ miles NNW of Linton parish. The burn rises on the Pentland Hills, and runs 2½ miles south-eastward to the Lyne.

Badenyon, a house in Glenbucket parish, Aberdeen-shire, 7 miles WNW of Bridge of Bucket, celebrated in the Rev. John Skinner's song, *John o' Badenyon*. A shooting lodge was built on or near its site, in 1840, by the Earl of Fife.

Badlieu, a burn in Tweedsmuir parish, Peeblesshire, rising upon the NE slope of Clyde Law (1789 feet), on the Lanarkshire boundary, and running, past Badlieu Rig (1374 feet) 2½ miles north-eastward, to the Tweed, 3 miles N of Tweeds Well.

Baggage-Knowe, a small hill in Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire, associated in relics or reminiscences with the battle of Kilsyth, fought in 1645.

Baidland, a hill in Dalry parish, Ayrshire. It rises to an altitude of 1099 feet above sea-level; and, at a height of 850 feet, it has a vein or dyke of canal coal, between two walls of carboniferous sandstone.

Baikie, an estate, with a small plain modern mansion, in Airlie parish, Forfarshire. A deposit of marl, about 40 acres in area and from 18 to 21 feet deep, lay in Baikie Moss, and forms the subject of an interesting paper by Sir Charles Lyell, in the *Transactions of the Geological Society*.

Bailford, an estate in Penpont parish, Dumfriesshire.

An ancient monument here consists of a two-stepped base and a slender pillar about 10 feet high; has sculptures, now so weather-worn as to be almost effaced; and defies speculation as to either origin or object.

Baillieston, a large mining village and a *quoad sacra* parish, in the civil parish of Old Monkland, Lanarkshire, with a station on the Rutherglen-Coatbridge branch of the Caledonian, 3½ miles W by S of Coatbridge, and 6½ miles E of Glasgow. The village is lighted with gas, has a post office under Glasgow, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, and an Established, a Free, and a U.F. church, besides St John's Episcopal and St Bridget's Roman Catholic churches. Under Old Monkland school-board there are a public and a Roman Catholic school, which, with respective accommodation for 420 and 461 children, had an average attendance (1891) of 309 and 310, and grants of £306, 6s. 6d. and £271, 5s. The Baillieston and Shettleston mining district includes some two dozen active collieries, most of which are at Baillieston itself. Pop. of village (1871) 2805, (1881) 2927, (1891) 4026; of *g. s.* parish (1871) 4924, (1881) 3477, (1891) 3995.

Baillivanich, a lake, with a small islet, in the island of Benbecula, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. Remains of a monastery are on the islet.

Bainsford. See BRINSFORD.

Bainshole, a hamlet of NW Aberdeenshire, 7 miles from Insh, under which it has a post office.

Bainton. See BANETON.

Bairdston, a village in East Kilbride parish, Lanarkshire, 9 miles S of Glasgow.

Ballagich or Ballageich, a hill in Eaglesham parish, Renfrewshire, 2½ miles WSW of Eaglesham village. It overhangs the E side of Binend Loch, and has an altitude of 1084 feet above sea-level.

Balalakra, a village on the E border of Kilbarchan parish, Renfrewshire, 1 mile NNE of Johnstone. It was founded in 1856, on the lands of Clippens, for working extensive ironstone mines, and received its name from the celebrated battle of the Crimean war. It is sometimes called Clippens Square. Pop. (1891) 428.

Ballalan, a village in Lochs parish, Lewis, with a public school. It is 14 miles SW of Stornoway, under which it has a post office with telegraph department. Pop. (1891) 521.

Balantradoch, an ancient chapelry in Temple parish, Edinburghshire. It contained the chief seat of the Knights Templars in Scotland; passed in 1312 to the Knights of St John; and after the Reformation was consolidated with Clerkington parish and Moorfoot chapelry into the modern parish of Temple. The church, 54½ by 17½ feet, is First Pointed in style, and retains a piscina, an Easter sepulchre, and on its eastern gable an inscription which has puzzled antiquaries.

Balbardie, an estate, with a mansion and fine park, in Bathgate parish, Linlithgowshire, in the northern vicinity of Bathgate town.

Balbeggie, a village formerly in a detached section of Kinnoull parish, Perthshire, 5½ miles NE of Perth, but transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 wholly to the parish of St Martins. It has a post office under Perth, a United Presbyterian church, and a public school with accommodation for 120 children.

Balbegno, an old castellated mansion in Fettercairn parish, Kincardineshire, 4¾ miles WNW of Laurencekirk. Built in 1509, it bears that date on a parapet wall; it is said to have been so costly that the lands of Balnakettle and Littlestrath were sold for means to complete it; and it contains a lofty hall, with groined roof exhibiting the armorial bearings of 16 Scottish peers; under the fern of Balmain it gives appellation to Sir Al. Entwisle Ramsay (b. 1837; suc. as fourth Bart. 1875), a great nephew of the late Dean Ramsay (1793-1872).

Balbirnie, an estate, with a mansion, in Markinch parish, Fife. The mansion stands in a romantic hollow amid extensive grounds, ½ mile NW of Markinch village; was erected by the late General Balfour; and is an elegant edifice with an Ionic portico. The estate extends to the SW of Markinch village; and has there,

on the banks of the river Leven, paper-mills, a woollen factory, extensive collieries, and a village called Balbirnie Mills.

Balbirnie, a hamlet in Ruthven parish, Forfarshire, near the Perthshire boundary, 2½ miles NE of Meikle.

Balbithan, an estate, with a mansion, in Keith-hall parish, Aberdeenshire, on the left bank of the Don, 1½ mile NNE of Kintore. The mansion, the property of the Earl of Kintore, is a curious old structure; was a rendezvous of the Marquis of Montrose and his friends in the times of the Covenanters; and gave refuge to several of the Pretender's adherents after Culloden. A beech tree, girthing 14 feet at 1 foot from the ground, is on the estate.

Balblair, a village in Eddertoun parish, Ross-shire, 5½ miles W by N of Tain. It has a post office with telegraph department under Invergordon, and a large distillery.

Balblair, a hamlet in Creech parish, Sutherland, on the Kyle of Sutherland, 1½ mile NW of Bonar-Bridge.

Balblair, a spot in Nairn parish, Nairnshire, on the top of a lofty terrace, near the coast, about 1 mile W by S of the town of Nairn. It was the camping-ground of the royal army on the eve of Culloden; and it overlooks all the route which the Highlanders had to take in their proposed night attack.

Balbrogie, a hamlet in the parish of Coupar-Angus, Perthshire.

Balbunnoch, a village in Longforgan parish, Perthshire, adjacent to Forfarshire, 4 miles W of Dundee. It is conjoint with Mylnefield, which has a post office under Dundee. A bleachfield was formerly in its neighbourhood; and a paper-mill now is there.

Balkail. See BALKAIL.

Balcaithly, an estate in Dunino parish, Fife. An urn, supposed to be Roman, was exhumed in a field belonging to it in 1836.

Balcarres (Gael. *baile-carrais*, 'town of the contest'), a mansion in Kilcomquhar parish, East Neuk of Fife, ¾ mile NNW of Colinsburgh. It stands, engirt by trees, on a sunward slope, 300 feet above and 3 miles to the N of the Firch of Forth, across whose waters it looks away to the Bass, the Lammermuirs, and Edinburgh. Originally built in 1595, in the Scotch-Flemish Gothic of the period, it retains its fine dining-room, its turnpike stair, and its thick-walled bedchamber, 'Oliver Cromwell's Room;' but otherwise was much enlarged and altered in the first half of the present century. A ruined ivy-clad chapel, hard by, erected about 1635, serves as the family burial-place; and, 200 yards to the E, Balcarres Craig, a turreted rock of clinkstone, rises abruptly from the Den Burn's deep ravine. The estate was purchased in 1587 by the lawyer-statesman John Lindsay (1552-98), Lord Menmuir, second son of the ninth Earl of Crawford, who in 1592 obtained a royal charter uniting the lands of Balcarres, Balneil, and Pitcoithie into a free barony. His second son, David, the Rosierucian (1586-1641), became Lord Lindsay of Balcarres in 1633; and his son, Alexander, feasted Charles II. here in 1651, the year that he was created Earl of Balcarres, and died an exile at Breda in 1659. The third Earl, Colin (d. 1722), was a Jacobite, though cousin by marriage to William of Orange, saw Claverhouse's ghost, and founded Colinsburgh; the fifth Earl, James (d. 1768), was 'the first that brought Fifeshire agriculture to any degree of perfection.' His daughter, Lady Ann Barnard (1750-1825), composed in 1772 *Auld Robin Gray*, the name of the old Balcarres herdsman; and his eldest son, Alexander, sixth Earl (d. 1825), fought a duel with the traitor Arnold, and in 1789 sold the lands of Balcarres to a younger son, the Hon. Rt. Lindsay (d. 1836). Title and lands were thus discovered, the former now being held by Jas. Ludovic Lindsay, twenty-sixth Earl of Crawford and ninth of Balcarres (b. 1847; suc. 1880; seat, DUNDECH House); and the latter by Sir Connts Trotter Lindsay, second Bart. since 1821 (b. 1824; suc. 1837), who is seventh in lineal descent from Lord Menmuir, and owner of 4672 acres in the shire, valued at £9619 per annum. See the late

Earl of Crawford's *Lives of the Lindsays* (3 vols., Lond. 1849).

Balcary, an old mansion, a baylet, a hill, and a headland in Kerwick parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, on the SW side of Auchencairn Bay, about 9 miles E of Kirkcudbright. The bay is an expansion of Auchencairn Bay, 2 miles SE of Auchencairn village; and was designed by the projectors of the Ayrshire and Galloway railway to be provided with a commodious artificial harbour, in connection with a terminus of the railway. The hill and the headland intervene between Balcary Bay and the W of the entrance of Auchencairn Bay.

Balcaskie, a mansion in the SE angle of Carnbee parish, Fife, 1½ mile NW of Pittenweem. A fine old building with a park extending into ABERCROMBIE parish, it is the seat of Sir Ralph William Anstruther, sixth Bart. since 1694, and owner of 2121 acres in the shire, valued at £5116 per annum.

Balcastle, a hamlet and collieries in Slamannan parish, Stirlingshire, near Slamannan station, 5½ miles SSW of Falkirk.

Balchristie, an estate, with a mansion, in Newburn parish, Fife, 1½ mile WSW of Colinsburgh. The Culdees here had a church and lands, which went, by deed of David L., to the monks of Dunfermline; but were afterwards vainly claimed by the prior and canons of St Andrews.

Balcomie, an ancient castle, a farm-house now, in Crail parish, Fife, 1 mile W of Fifeness, and 1½ NNE of Crail. It belonged in 1375 to a John de Balcomie; passed in the time of James IV. to the Learmonthes, in 1705 to Sir William Hope, and afterwards to successively Scott of Scotstarvet and the Earl of Kellie. In June 1538 it entertained Mary of Guise on her landing at Fifeness to be married to James V. Originally an edifice of great size and splendour, it was reduced by the Earl of Kellie to only one wing, but it still is of considerable size, and serves as a landmark to mariners. A small cave near is falsely alleged to have been the scene of the beheading of Constantin, King of the Picts (863-77), by Northmen; and a group of islets, ¾ mile NW of Fifeness, is called Balcomie Brigs. See part ii. of Thos. Rodger's *Kingdom of Fife*.

Balcomie, an estate, with a mansion, in Kiltearn parish, Ross-shire. The mansion, ¾ mile ENE of Evanton village, is a castellated edifice, and was formerly a seat of the Earls of Ross. Hugh Miller, in chap. vi. of his *Scenes and Legends*, gives the weird tradition of the Lady of Balcomie.

Balcraft, a quondam ancient castle in Newtyle parish, Forfarshire, a short distance S of the ruins of Hatton Castle. Scarcely any traces of it remain. Some urns, in a broken state, were, a number of years ago exhumed about its site.

Balcruvie or **Piteruvie**, an ancient castle, now reduced to one square tower in Largo parish, Fife, on Keil Burn, 1½ mile N by W of Lower Largo village. It was built by Sir John Lindsay, an ancestor of the Earls of Crawford.

Balcruvie, a village in the SE of Markinch parish, Fife, near Cameron Bridge station. A public school here, with accommodation for 292 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 175, and a grant of £174, 0s. 6d.

Baldermonocks, the ancient bishops' lands in Cadder parish, Lanarkshire, comprehending all the parish, except the entailed estate of Cadder.

Baldernock (Gael. *baile-dur-chnoe*, 'town of the stream at the knoll'), a hamlet and a parish of SW Stirlingshire. The hamlet stands in the W of the parish, 2½ miles ENE of Milngavie station, and 7½ miles N of its post-town Glasgow; and comprises the parish church (1795; 406 sittings), a Free church, their manse, a school, and a few scattered cottages.

The parish also contains the village of BALMORE, 2½ miles ENE. It is bounded N and NE by Campsie, S by Cadder in Lanarkshire, SW and W by New Kilpatrick, and NW by Strathblane; and has an extreme length from N to S of 2½ miles, a breadth from E to W of from 1½ to 3½ miles, and an area of 441½ acres, of

which 88½ are water. The sluggish KELVIN flows between embankments 3 miles along the southern border, while its affluent, ALLANDER Water, traces the south-western for 1½; and to these two streams three or four burns run southward through the interior of the parish, in whose SW corner are Bardowie Loch (4 × 2½ furl.) and the best part of Dougalston Loch (4½ × 1 furl.). From the flat Balmore Haughs along the Kelvin the surface rises northward towards the Campsie Hills, having an altitude of 100 feet above sea-level near Torrance Bridge in the SE, of 200 near Longbank in the SW, of 187 at Craighhead, 361 near Blairkaith, 313 by the church, 413 at Blochairn, 633 at Craigmaddie Muir on the northern border, and 700 at Blairkaith Muir in the NE. The rocks are carboniferous in the S, eruptive in the N; and coal, ironstone, pyrites, fireclay, lime, and slum have all at times been worked. Of soils there is a great and strongly-marked diversity, from the rich alluvium of Balmore Haughs to the clay incumbent upon till of the middle slopes, and the light sharp soil of the upland moors beyond; about 4000 acres are in tillage, 240 under wood. Antiquities are a famous cromlech called AULD WIVES' LIFT, some round or oblong cairns on Blochairn farm, the Hamiltons' ruined castle by Bardowie Loch, and remains of a moated tower in the park of Craigmaddie House near the north-western angle of the parish. The barony around this tower was held from 1238 and earlier by the Galbraiths, and in the latter half of the 14th century came through an heiress to John de Hamilton, a scion of the Cadzow line, and founder of that of Baldernock and Bardowie. Modern mansions are Bardowie, North Bardowie, and Glenorchard; and the property is divided among 3 landowners holding each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 11 of from £100 to £500, 7 of from £50 to £100, and 6 of from £20 to £50. Baldernock is in the presbytery of Dumbarton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; its minister's income is £153. The public school, with accommodation for 122 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 62, and a grant of £73, 2s. 6d. Valuation £6609, 11s. 5d. Pop. (1801) 796, (1841) 972, (1871) 616, (1881) 569, (1891) 553.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Baldoon Castle, the corner of one crumbling tower, with a few yards of ivy-clad wall, in Kirkiner parish, Wigtownshire, 3 furlongs from the S bank of Bladenoch river, and 1½ mile SSW of Wigtown. Hence Scott derived the ground-plot of the *Bride of Lammermoor*, for here, according to its Introduction and to Chambers' *Domestic Annals* (ii. 326-328), the final act of the real tragedy was played in August 1669, with Janet Dalrymple, Lord Stair's daughter, for 'Lucy,' David Dunbar of Baldoon for 'Bucklaw,' Lord Rutherford for 'Ravenswood,' and so forth. But antiquaries now reject the 'bonny bridegroom' version of the story, conceding only that the bride died broken-hearted just a month after her bridal in Glenluce kirk. David Dunbar is described as an agricultural improver; and at the present day the Baldoon Mains are famous for their dairy-farms. Eastward in Wigtown Bay are the Baldoon Sands, from 1½ to 2 miles broad at low-water; and northward is Baldoon Quay, a small proprietary harbour on the Bladenoch. See J. G. Murray's *Stair Annals* (1875).

Baldovan, a village, with a railway station, in Mains and Strathmartin parish, Forfarshire, on the river Dighty, and on the Dundee and Newtyle railway, 3 miles NW of Dundee. Baldovan House, in the vicinity, is the seat of Sir Reginald H. A. Ogilvy, tenth Bart. since 1625, and owner of 1431 acres, valued at £3626 per annum. Baldovan Asylum for Imbecile Children was erected in 1854, by the benevolence of the late Sir John and Lady Jane Ogilvy; is a fine structure, after designs by Coe & Goodwin; and, as considerably enlarged, accommodates some 70 inmates. It was the first institution of its kind, and long the only one in Scotland.

Baldovie, a post office hamlet in Dundee parish, Forfarshire, 4 miles ENE of Dundee town.

Baldowie, an estate, with a mansion, in Kettins

parish, Forfarshire. On the estate is an ancient standing stone, 6 feet high, with nearly defaced sculptures.

Baldragon, a station in Forfarshire, on the Dundee and Newtyle railway, 1 mile NNW of Baldovan station. See pp. 262-264 of Chambers' *Popular Rhymes*.

Baldrige, several localities—Baldrige, West Baldrige, Baldrige House, and North Baldrige, in Dunfermline parish, Fife, around the Wellwood colliery, from ¾ to 1½ mile NNW of Dunfermline.

Balerno, a village in Currie parish, Edinburghshire, on the right bank of the Water of Leith, with a station on a loop line of the Caledonian, 1 mile WSW of Currie, and 7 SW of Edinburgh. It has a post office with money order and savings bank departments, a U.P. and a Roman Catholic church, 2 inns, 2 paper-mills, and a public and an Episcopal school, which, with accommodation for 176 and 126 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 131 and 78, and grants of £131, 15s. 6d. and £63, 9s. 6d. Pop. (1861) 510, (1871) 490, (1881) 474, (1891) 619.

Balerno Railway, an Edinburghshire loop line of the Caledonian, 5½ miles long, from Slateford to Ravelrig siding. A single line, it was authorised in 1870, formed at a cost of £42,000, and opened in 1874; it four times crosses the Water of Leith, has steepish gradients, and at Cointon traverses a tunnel 150 yards long.

Baleshare. See BALESHARE.

Balevil, a small estate, with a residence, in Urquhart parish, Ross-shire. It was bought and occupied, in the present century, by General John Mackenzie.

Balfour, an estate, with a mansion, in Markinch parish, Fife. The mansion stands on the right bank of the river Leven, near the influx of the Ore, 1½ mile NE of Thornton; is the seat of Mrs C. C. Bethune; and contains an original portrait of Cardinal Beaton. The estate belonged anciently to the family of Balfour; was originally called Balorr, with reference to its situation near the Ore; and passed by marriage, in 1360, to the Bethunes.

Balfour, a ruined ancient castle in the S of Kingoldrum parish, Forfarshire. It is in the Gothic style; was built by Cardinal Beaton; became the seat of the Ogilvies of Balfour, a branch of the noble Ogilvies of Airlie; passed to the Fotheringhams and the Farquharsons; and about 1833 was denuded of two wings, for the erection of a farm-house.

Balfour, a hamlet in Shapinshay parish, Orkney, 5 miles NE of Kirkwall, under which it has a post office. Balfour Castle, in its vicinity, is the seat of Mrs Eleanor Balfour, owner of 29,054 acres, valued at £7578 per annum.

Balfour, a village and a parish of W Stirlingshire. The village lies toward the south-western corner of the parish, 2 furlongs from the right bank of the Endrick, and 2 miles E of Balfron station on the Forth and Clyde Junction section of the North British, that station, with a telegraph office, being 20 miles WSW of Stirling, and 10½ ENE of Balloch. From Glasgow Balfron is 19 miles NNW by road, or 24 by the Killearn and Lennoxton branch of the North British railway, and is supplied with water from a spring on Spittal Farm (at a cost of £800). Built on a gentle slope, it looks across the river and the Ballikinrain woods to Earl's seat, highest of the Campsie Fells (1894 feet), 3½ miles SSE; 11 miles NNW and 14½ NW rise Ben Venue (2393 feet) and Ben Lomond (3192), with lesser summits of the great Highland wall. The place itself was founded by Robert Dunmore, Esq. of Ballindalloch, who opened a cotton-mill in 1789; and, neat and regular, it prospered greatly for the first fifty years, till handloom-weaving, its staple industry, was superseded by machinery. Now it looks somewhat deserted, but still has a branch bank of the British Linen Co., a post office under Glasgow, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, several inns, a public coffee and reading room and library, and a large factory; and fairs are held at it on the last Tuesday of May, July (hiring), and October (horses and cattle). Places of worship are the parish church (1832; 690 sittings), a Free church (for Killearn and Balfron), a U.P. church (1882), and a Roman Catholic chapel; a

public school, with accommodation for 208 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 147, and a grant of £145, 13s. Pop. (1881) 970, (1891) 885.

The parish is bounded N by Drymen and Kippen, E by Gargunnoch, SE by Fintry, S by Killearn, and NW by Drymen. It has an extreme length from E to W of $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from N to S of from 7 furlongs to $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 7847 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres, of which 28 are water. The westward-flowing **ESDRICK** roughly traces all the southern border, and the surface along its right bank has an altitude of less than 200 feet above sea-level, but rises northward to 491 feet at Cairnhall, 446 near Edinbellie, 627 on Ballindalloch Muir, and 577 on Balgair Muir, —north-eastward to Stroneud (1676 feet), which culminates just beyond the SE frontier; and from Stroneud it sinks again north-eastward to 554 feet near the confluence of the Boquhan and Pow Burns, marking the eastern, and part of the northern, boundary. The rocks are mainly eruptive, and the profitable working of abundant limestone has only been hindered by the absence of coal. In 1841 more than two-thirds of the entire area were either pastoral or waste, but great reclamations have been since effected, those of a single proprietor costing, in two years, upwards of £40,000. Mr Gillespie, however, in his edition of Nimmo's *Stirlingshire*, distributes the area thus—3420 acres in tillage, 4295 waste, and 105 under wood. In the old heathen days the children of Balfron are said to have all been killed by wolves, whence its name *Baile-bhroin* ('town of mourning'); other traditions record how Ballindalloch and Edinbellie were seats, if not the birth-places, of Alexander Cunningham, the 'Good' Earl of Glencairn (d. 1574), and Napier of Merchiston (1550-1617), how at Clockburn Sharpe's murderers first drew rein, fresh from their bloody work on Magus Moor (1679). Certain, at least, it is that Edinbellie was the scene of the forcible abduction of Jean Key (3 Dec. 1750) by Rob Roy's sons, for which Robin Oig, the principal, was three years after hanged at Edinburgh; and that Balfron gave birth to the eminent Glasgow architect, Alexander Thomson (1817-75). Ballindalloch, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of the village, was the seat of the late H. R. Cooper, Esq., who divided this parish with 13 more (non-resident) proprietors. It is in the presbytery of Dumbarton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the minister's income is £185. Valuation £6615, 9s. 1d. Pop. (1801) 1634, (1831) 2057, (1851) 1900, (1871) 1502, (1881) 1327, (1891) 1203.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 38 and 39, 1869-71.

Balgair, an estate in the E of Balfron parish, Stirlingshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Balfron village. It includes Balgair proper, Hill of Balgair, Wester Balgair, and Balgair Muir; and it formerly was the place of a large annual cattle market, now held on Kippen Moor.

Balgarvie, an estate, with a handsome modern mansion, in Monimail parish, Fife.

Balgavies. See **ABERLEMNO**.

Balgay. See **DUNDEE**.

Balgedie, two hamlets, Easter and Wester, in Port-moak parish, Kinross-shire, at the foot of West Lomond Hill, 1 mile from the E shore of Loch Leven, $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 mile NNW of Kinnesswood, and about 5 miles by road E by N of Kinross. They have a United Presbyterian church.

Balglass, an estate in the NE corner of Killearn parish, Stirlingshire. An ancient castle here is said to have formerly been well fortified, and once to have afforded protection to Sir William Wallace.

Balgonar, an estate, with a mansion, in Saline parish, Fife.

Balgone. See **NORTH BERWICK**.

Balgonie, two villages and an estate in Markinch parish, Fife. Balgonie proper or Milton of Balgonie stands on the left bank of the river Leven, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE of Markinch station; and has a post office under Markinch, a public school, and an Established church (erected *quoad sacra* in 1875) with 650 sittings. Flax-mills are adjacent, and form three sides of a rectangle, 160 by 140 feet.—Coalton of Balgonie village stands near the North British railway, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Markinch, and has two suburbs called West Coalton and Lady's Square. A

bleachfield is on the Leven, a little N of Lady's Square, and there is a public school.—In 1823 Balgonie estate, having belonged to the Earls of Leven from the reign of Charles I., was purchased for £104,000 by James Balfour of Whittinghame, whose son, Charles Balfour (1823-72) was owner of 919 acres, valued at £1763 per annum. The ancient mansion on it, Balgonie Castle, stands on the banks of the Leven, about 36 feet above the bed of the stream, in the western vicinity of Milton; is an edifice of different ages, large and massive, strong and picturesque; comprises two sides of a quadrangle, with a strong wall on the other two sides, enclosing an oblong area of 108 by 65 feet; and includes a donjon or keep, 45 feet long, 36 wide, and 80 high. Rich coal mines are on the estate, and have been worked for centuries. The title of Baron Balgonie (cre. 1641) is still borne by the Earls of Leven, the first of whom, Alex. Leslie, the celebrated Presbyterian general, died at Balgonie in 1661.

Balgowan, an estate, with a mansion and a railway station, in the SW of Methven parish, Perthshire, on the Perth and Crieff railway, 2 miles WSW of Methven village. The mansion is the seat of Captain Black, owner of 2953 acres, valued at £3877 per annum. A public school here, with accommodation for 84 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 52, and a grant of £61, 13s.

Balgown, a small bay on the E side of Kirkmaiden parish, Wigtownshire, 9 miles N by W of the Mull of Galloway.

Balgonie. See **ABERDEEN**.

Balgray, a former hamlet in the NNW of Glasgow, near the Kelvin, but now included in the city. A quarry of excellent sandstone is near it, about 600 yards from a wharf on the Forth and Clyde Canal; and this, about the year 1832, disclosed upwards of twenty stumps of exogenous fossil trees, all standing in a group, in their natural position. Not more than two of the stumps retained their roots, and no organic remains whatever were visible in the superincumbent rock.

Balgray Hill, a part of the Springburn district of Glasgow.

Balgreggan, an estate, with a mansion, the seat of Mrs Maitland (7848 acres, £5882 per annum), in Stoneykirk parish, Wigtownshire. A mote, near the mansion, 460 feet in circumference and 60 high, was engirt by a large fosse, and has on the top a curious excavation.

Balhousie, an old castellated mansion in the northern vicinity of Perth.

Balintore Castle, a mansion in Lintathen parish, W Forfarshire, 9 miles WNW of Kirriemuir. It is a seat of Mr Andrew Chirnside, owner of 6888 acres in the shire, valued at £1428 per annum.

Balintore, a fishing village in Fearn parish, Ross-shire, on a flat piece of coast, 6 miles NNE of the Souters of Cromarty, and 7 SE of Tain. Pop. (1871) 387, (1881) 369, (1891) 361.

Balintraid, a harbour in Kilmuir-Easter parish, Ross-shire, on the Cromarty Firth, 3 miles NE of Invergordon. It has a pier, and serves a large part of Easter Ross for the exportation of grain and fir-timber, and for the importation of coals and general merchandise.

Balisheac, an island in North Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, near the SW coast of North Uist island. It is about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles long.

Balivanich, a hamlet in Benbecula island, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It has a public school, which, with accommodation for 98 children, had (1891), an average attendance of 36, and a grant of £54, 15s. 6d.

Balkail, an estate, with a mansion, in Old Leuce parish, Wigtownshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Glenluce village.

Balkello, a hamlet in Tealing parish, Forfarshire. Its post-town is Auchterhouse, near Dundee.

Balkissock, a mansion in Ballantrae parish, SW Ayrshire, 3 miles E of Ballantrae village. It is the seat of Arthur Hughes-Onslow, Esq. (b. 1802; suc. 1870), owner of 14,426 acres in the shire, valued at £3235 per annum.

Ballachroy, a village on the W side of Kintyre, Argyllshire, 4 miles NNE of Tayinloan.

Ballachulish (Gael. *bail-a-chaolais*, 'town of the strait'), a large but straggling village of Lismore and Appin parish, Argyllshire, extending along the southern shore of salt-water Loch Leven, on either side of the Laroeh river, up to the mouth of Glencoe. Its central point, the bridge over the Laroeh, is $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Bridge of Coe, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Ballachulish Ferry, and $16\frac{1}{2}$ S of Fort William; by coach and steamer Ballachulish in summer has constant communication with Taynuilt and Oban, and so with all parts of Scotland. At Ballachulish Ferry, where the entrance of Loch Leven narrows to 1 furlong, stands an excellent hotel; the steamboat pier is 1 mile further W; and the village has a post office, with money order, telegraph, and savings bank departments, an Established church (enlarged 1880), and St John's Episcopal church (1842-48; congregation, 600) in pseudo-Early English style. A public and an Episcopal school, accommodating 150 and 170 children, had (1891) an attendance of 100 and 105, and grants of £108, 16s. 6d. and £108, 10s. Pop. of village (1891) 1045; of Glencoe and Ballachulish registration district (1881) 1441, (1891) 1480.

'The slate quarries,' to quote from *Trans. Highl. and Agricult. Society*, 'were commenced about 1760, and at present are worked with great vigour under the trustees of the late Sir George Beresford. The vein of slate, which is at an angle of 80°, stretches S and E from the shore along the side of Meall Mor (2215 feet), and then runs into the centre of it. The face of the rock is laid open by workings fronting N and W, the inclination of the vein being towards the E. The workings of the main or E quarries are conducted in four levels, above the common highway, and three sinkings, making an aggregate working face of 436 feet in depth—an increase of 230 feet since 1843. The W end workings are conducted upon a similar method—one with 3 upper levels, and 2 depths of sinkings. Recently there have been several new quarries opened, which promise well. The material from the upper parts is conveyed from the respective levels by powerful brake-drums, the weight of the loaded waggons descending taking up the empty waggons without difficulty. Material from the sinkings is taken up to the surface in inclined planes by 3 stationary engines, which, by auxiliary gearing, keep the sinkings free of water—no small matter in such a rainy district, and with such great watersheds. The rock, after being quarried, is conveyed partly by railway locomotives. In all the workings there are from 10 to 11 miles of firm and permanent lines of iron rails used, and 130 substantial iron waggons. For deep boring a powerful patent rock drill is put to work to rend the hill into pretty large blocks, which are afterwards easily disposed of by the regular manual process, *i.e.*, one man, in a half-recumbent position, regulating the boring-drill, while another wields a large hammer, doing great execution. At times this process would appear alarming to the inexperienced spectator, inasmuch as the operators are slung at giddy heights by ropes twisted round their bodies, the pressure of which, combined with physical exertions required in the manual toil, must prove no mean test of their strong and healthy frames. The slate-making portions, or "blocks," are conveyed on "lines" along the banks formed by the refuse, and laid down at little sheds, where they are, by one man, split up to the required thickness, and, by another, cut into shape, after which they are ready for export. There are three safe and commodious shipping harbours, all formed by the banks of rubbish projecting into the sea in arms of two to each harbour, thus completely sheltering vessels in any weather. The slates are of a deep blue colour, and spangled with pyrites, called by the workmen "diamonds;" and these gold-coloured drops are so incorporated with the slate that they cannot be separated from it. The slates are allowed to possess in a pre-eminent degree all the qualities of permanence of colour and durability of material essential to roof slates. There are five different descriptions of slates made, *viz.*, queens, duchesses, countesses, sizables, and undersized. The annual production of manufactured slates is 28,000

to 30,000 tons, or, in numbers, 16,000,000 to 17,000,000. There are over 600 men employed in the works, earning from 20s. to 40s. per week.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 53, 1877.

Ballachulish and Corran of Ardgour, a *quoad sacra* parish in Kilmalie parish, Inverness and Argyll shires. It comprises two districts, North Ballachulish in Inverness-shire and ARDGOUR in Argyllshire, separated from each other by the northern end of Loch Linnhe, and its continuation of that, Loch Eil, but communicating with each other by Corran Ferry, 4 miles by road NW of Ballachulish Ferry, and itself $\frac{1}{2}$ mile broad. North Ballachulish district is bounded S by Loch Leven and the river Leven, being separated only by these from Ballachulish proper and the region of Glencoe, and it measures 17 miles in length and 7 in breadth. The parish, constituted first by the General Assembly in May 1833, next by the Court of Teinds in December 1845, is in the presbytery of Abertarff and synod of Glenelg; its minister's income is £120. Two churches for the two districts, standing about 4 miles apart, were built in 1829, each at a cost of £1470; and that of Ballachulish contains 300 sittings. Pop. (1891) 757, of whom 277 belonged to Corran of Ardgour.

Ballagan, an estate, with a mansion and with a fine waterfall, in Strathblane parish, Stirlingshire. The mansion stands on the upper reach of the Blane river, called the Laggan Burn, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile E by N of Strathblane village, and commands, from its windows, a view of the waterfall, which, known as the Spout of Ballagan, makes a descent of 70 feet, and somewhat resembles Corra Linn.

Ballageich. See BALAGEICH.

Ballanachist, a rivulet in Harris, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, frequented by salmon, and open for rod and line fishing from 10 Sept. to 31 Oct.

Ballanbreich (popularly *Bambreich*), a ruined ancient castle in Flisk parish, Fife, on a steep bank overhanging the Firth of Tay, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Newburgh. It was a parallelogram, 180 feet long by 70 wide, with an enclosed court; consisted, on three sides, of buildings four stories high, on the fourth side of a high curtain wall; was surrounded by a moat; and is now a mere shattered shell, of picturesque outline, embosomed in a small plantation. The Earls of Rothes long resided in it, and took from it the title Baron Ballanbreich (cre. 1457). The estate connected with it was purchased by Sir Lawrence Dundas, grandfather of the first Earl of Zetland. An ancient place of worship stood adjacent to the E side of the castle, on what is still called Chapel Hill.

Ballancriff. See BALLENCRIEFF.

Ballandarg, a burn of W Forfarshire, rising in Kirriemuir parish, and running southward to the Dean river, in Glamis parish.

Ballangeich. See STIRLING.

Ballanree. See BEREGING.

Ballantrae (Gael. *bailte-na-traigh*, 'town on the shore'), a fishing village and a coast parish of Carrick, SW Ayrshire. The village lies in the NW corner of the parish, between the sea-shore and the right bank of the Stinchar, which here, at $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from its mouth, is crossed by a three-arched stone bridge. It is 13 miles SSW of Girvan, and 10 of Pinwherry station; with one main street, it has a branch of the Commercial Bank, a hotel, a public hall and reading-room, a post office with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a neat parish church (rebuilt 1819; 600 sittings), a Free church, and a school, which, with accommodation for 182 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 123, and a grant of £120, 16s. A considerable number of new buildings have recently been erected, and a new burying-ground has been added to the old church. The tidal harbour, constructed at a cost of £6000, is a basin excavated from the solid rock, with a strong pier built upon a rocky ledge; and Ballantrae is centre of the south-western fishery district, in which, during 1890, there were cured 1322 barrels of white herrings, taken by 516 boats, the persons employed being 921 fishermen and boys, 78 fish-curers, 51 coopers, and some 800 others, while the total value of boats, nets, and lines was estimated at £16,975—a sum that indicates a great advance

over preceding years. A century since the village was noted as a smugglers' haunt, a rude and primitive place, but in 1617 it was a burgh of barony; and the picturesque ruins of Ardstinchar Castle, with clock-surmounted tower, still crown a rock close by. The key to Carrick, this was the seat of the Kennedys, lairds of Bargeny, whose feud with the Earls of Cassillis closed (1601) with the slaughter of young Kennedy in a fray near the Brig of Doon (Chambers' *Dom. Ann.*, i. 292, 310, 359). Pop. (1831) 456, (1861) 557, (1871) 515, (1881) 426, (1891) 524.

The parish is bounded N and E by Colmonell, SE by New Luce and S by Inch in Wigtownshire, SW by the entrance to Loch Ryan, and W by the Irish Channel, 36 miles across. It has an extreme length from N to S of 9 miles, a breadth from E to W of from $4\frac{1}{2}$ to 8 miles, and an area of 33,876 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 164 are foreshore and 151 $\frac{1}{2}$ water. The coast-line, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, over the first 2, northward from the village, presents a low sandy shore, the Girvan road at one point running only 17 feet above the level of the sea; but elsewhere it is steep and rockbound, rising within 3 furlongs to over 300 and 600 feet, and commanding grand views of Ailsa Craig (11 miles NNW) and the Firth of Clyde, of Ireland and the Rhinns of Galloway. The STINCHAR has here a south-westerly course of $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, on the Colmonell border and through the north-western corner of the parish; 2 miles above the village it is joined by Tig Water, which flows first 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward along the eastern boundary, next 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ westward along the northern and through the northern interior. The Water of LUCE, too, with the Pinwherran, Laganabeastie, and others of its tributary burns, winds southward into Wigtownshire; but the stream that has shaped the most prominent features of Ballantrae is the shallow Water of App, rising between Smirton and Benaired hills, and running 6 miles south-westward to Loch Ryan through beautiful Glen App. With the north-eastward flowing Dunnock Burn, an affluent of the Tig, it divides the parish into two nearly equal halves, in the western of which from S to N rise Sandloch Hill (803 feet), Penderry (1075), Carlock (1054), Auchencrosh (1067), Smirton (1213), Big Fell (1032), and Lefie Donald Hill (760), with Cairn Hill (539), Bencummin (739), and Knoekdhu (755) beyond the Tig. In the eastern are Muillbane (741 feet), Altmeig (1270), Highmilldown (1104), Milljoan (1320), Benaired (1435; a station of the Ordnance Survey, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of the village), Benaw (1380), Strawarren Fell (1040), Wee Fell (850), Millmore (1052), and Loch Hill (870); whilst in the SE, flanking the Water of Luce, are Bannan Hill (1157), Park Hill (761), Ardnamoil (944), and Drumbracken (803). Triangular Killantringan Loch (3 x 1 furl.) lies 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by E of the village. The rocks belong to the Lower Silurian; the soils are alluvial in the valleys, light and sandy towards the NW coast, and generally moorish on the uplands. Less than a fifth of the whole area is arable, besides some 370 acres under plantation; and dairy-farming forms a chief source of wealth. Mansions or summer lodges are Finnart House (H. F. Kennedy), Glenapp House (James Hunter), Glenapp Lodge (G. Oliver), Ballissock House (Arthur Hughes-Onslow), Gurphur House, Auchairne House (J. N. Donaldson), and Auchentflower; and 7 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 12 of between £100 and £500, and 4 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Stranraer and synod of Galloway, this parish was formerly called Kirkendbright-Innertig; and its church, St Cuthbert's (the anciently held by Crossraguel Abbey), stood up to 1617 near the confluence of the Tig and the Stinchar, where some ruins may yet be seen. In 1874 the Glenapp portion, which has a post office under Ballantrae, was formed into a *quoad sacra* parish. There are four public schools, in addition to the one in the village—at Auchentflower, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N; Ballachdowan, 3 miles S; Ballantrae, and Glenapp, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S. With total accommodation for 332 children, these had, in 1891, an average attendance of 183, and grants amounting to £217, 12s. Valuation, £15,213, 16s. Pop. (1801) 836, (1831) 1506, (1851) 1801, (1871) 1277, (1881)

1442, (1891) 1268. Pop. of registration district, 1268. —*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 7, 1863.

Ballat, a bog in Drymen parish, Stirlingshire, on the watershed between the river systems of the Forth and the Clyde, 3 miles NNE of Drymen village. It is the lowest ground on the summit-level between the E and W coasts of Scotland, excepting Dullater Bog, on the Forth and Clyde Canal; its elevation is 222 feet above the level of the sea.

Ballater (Gael. *baile-na-leitir*, 'town near the slope of the hill'), a village in GLENMUCK parish, Aberdeenshire, at the terminus of the Deeside Extension section (1866) of the Great North of Scotland, 43 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Aberdeen by rail, and 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ ENE of Castletion of Braemar by road. It lies 668 feet above sea-level, between the wooded hills of Pannanich (1896 feet) and Craigan-darroch (1250), on the left bank of the Dee, which here is spanned by a wooden four-arched bridge, erected in 1834 at a cost of £2000, its two stone predecessors of 1790 and 1809 having been swept away by the great floods of 1799 and 1829. The village itself was founded about 1770, to accommodate visitors to the PANNANICH Mineral Wells; and, lighted with gas (1863), supplied with water from the Gairn at a cost of £2500 (1873), and since efficiently drained, it enjoys fine bracing air and an equable climate, the mean temperature being 44°6', the rainfall 33'40 inches. With slated houses built of reddish granite, a square in the middle, and spacious regular streets, it is a pleasant, neat, clean place, a favourite resort of summer visitors; at it are a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Union, North of Scotland, and Town and County banks, a local savings bank (1821), insurance agencies, the Invercauld Arms hotel, temperance hotel, one or two inns, and St Nathalan's masonic lodge. Fairs are held on the Tuesday of February before Aboyne, the first Tuesday of May, old style, the Wednesday of July after Brechin wool market, the second Monday and Tuesday of September, old style, and the Saturday before 22 Nov. The principal buildings are the handsome parish church (rebuilt 1875); a Free church, in the outskirts; the Barracks (1860, for about 70 men), consisting of seven Elizabethan cottages, for the Queen's guard of honour; the Albert Memorial Hall, erected (1875) by Mr A. Gordon, at a cost of upwards of £2000, and comprising a public hall, reading, and billiard rooms, a square tower, etc.; and a public school, with accommodation for 316 children. A new iron suspension foot bridge was in 1892 built over the Dee at Polquhollick, 2 miles to the W. Ballater is a police burgh. Pop. (1891) 983. —*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 65, 1870.

Ballater, Pass of, a 'wild and anciently impregnable' defile, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of Ballater village, leading from Milton of Tullich to Bridge of Gairn, a distance of 2 miles, and overhanging to the S by Craigan-darroch (1250 feet), to the N by Creagan Riach (1750) and other offsets of Morven Hill (2862).

Ballatrich or **Ballaterach**, a farm-house in Glenmuick parish, Aberdeenshire, near the S bank of the Dee, 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Ballater. The place where Lord Byron spent part of his boyhood, it retains some relics of the poet, and for his sake is visited by many strangers.

Balleave, a hamlet in Kinross parish, Kinross-shire, on Kelly Burn, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Kinross. It has a tartan manufactory.

Ballechin, an estate, with the seat of Jn. Steuart, Esq. (b. 1837; suc. 1876), in Logierait parish, Perthshire, 3 miles WNW of Ballinluig Junction.

Ballegarno or **Ballerano**, a village in Inchture parish, Perthshire, 7 miles W of Dundee. It is supposed to have taken its name from an ancient castle, built by a Prince Edgar, and now extinct. Ballegarno House stands in its south-western vicinity, and is a fine mansion, surrounded by plantations.

Ballenach, a hamlet in North Knapdale, Argyllshire, near the Crinan Canal, 6 miles WNW of Lochgilphead.

Ballenbreich. See **BALLENBREICH**.

Ballencrieff, a mansion in Aberlady parish, Haddingtonshire, 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ mile SE of Aberlady village. It is a seat of

Lord Elibank, owner of 1863 acres in the shire, valued at £5565 per annum. Occupying a fine site, and surrounded by stately trees, it enjoys an extensive prospect. Patrick Murray, fifth Lord Elibank, here entertained Dr Samuel Johnson in 1773. An hospital, dedicated to St Cuthbert, is said to have been founded here in the 12th century.

Balencriff, several localities and a rivulet in Linlithgowshire. The localities lie in the northern vicinity of Bathgate, and include a ruined ancient mansion and lime-works. The rivulet rises $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Bathgate, makes a circuit of about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, round the SE and centre of Bathgate parish, to the western vicinity of Bathgate town; runs thence about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-westward, partly in Bathgate parish, partly along the boundary with Torphichen; and makes a confluence with Barbanclaw Burn, to form the river Luggie, which runs about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile north-westward to the Avon.

Balendrick, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Dunbarrie parish, Perthshire, 1 mile WSW of Bridge of Earn.

Ballerno. See BALLEDEGARNO.

Balleshare, an island in North Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, in the western part of the sound dividing North Uist Island from Benbecula. It nearly blocks the W entrance of the sound; has an irregular outline and much indented shores; and measures about 10 miles in circumference. Pop., together with that of Illeray, (1861) 199, (1881) 266, (1891) 318.

Ballevullin, a hamlet in Tiree island, Argyllshire.

Ballewan, a farm, with a mineral spring, in Strathblane parish, Stirlingshire.

Balliasta, an ancient chapelry, with ruins of an old church, and with limestone quarries, in Uist island, Shetland.

Ballibeg, a hamlet of E Argyllshire. Its post-town is Strachur under St Catherines.

Ballichroisk, a hamlet in the W of Perthshire. Its post-town is Killin.

Ballicd, an estate, with a mansion, in Kinloch parish, Perthshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Blairgowrie.

Balligill, a loch ($2\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ furl.) in Farr parish, Sutherland, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Melvich. Its trout run up to 3 lbs.

Ballikrain, an estate, with a mansion, in Killearn parish, Stirlingshire. The mansion stands on a burn of its own name, near the burn's influx to the river Endrick, 1 mile ESE of the village of Balfroun, and is the seat of Sir Archibald Orr-Ewing, Bart. The burn rises, at 1250 feet of altitude, on the northern shoulder of Earl's Seat (1894 feet), the highest summit of the Campsie Fells; runs about 2 miles down Ballikrain Muir, making in its descent a number of fine cascades; and afterwards flows about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile across the valley of the Endrick.

Ballimore, a hamlet in Logierait parish, Perthshire, on the river Tummel, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Kinloch Rannoch.

Ballimore, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Kilfinan parish, Argyllshire, on Loch Fyne, at Otter Ferry, 5 miles ESE of Lochgilphead. It is the seat of Colonel Burnley Campbell, Esq., owner of 9521 acres, valued at £1933 per annum.

Ballincriff. See BALENCRIEFF.

Ballindalloch, a hamlet and an estate in Inveravan parish, Banffshire. The hamlet lies at the confluence of the Avon and the Spey, adjacent to the Craigellachie and Boat of Garten branch of the Great North of Scotland railway, 12 miles WSW of Craigellachie; and has a station on the railway, and a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. The estate belongs to Sir George Macpherson-Grant, Bart., and was formerly in the Elgin portion of the parish, which, in 1891, was placed by the Boundary Commissioners wholly in Banffshire; it has extensive woods with some noble trees, and boasts great numbers of roe deer. The mansion on it, Ballindalloch Castle, was formerly a fine specimen of the old Scottish fortalice; comprised a square building, flanked by three circular towers; and about 1845 was much enlarged in the castellated style, so as to be rendered a very splendid mansion.

Ballindalloch. See BALFROUN.

Ballindean, a hamlet in Inchture parish, Perthshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of Inchture village. Ballindean House (Miss Trotter; 1175 acres, £2375), in its vicinity, is a tasteful modern mansion; and Ballindean Hill (559 feet), near the hamlet, is part of the Carse Braes.

Ballingry (popularly *Bingry*; Gael. *baile-na-greigh*, 'town of the flock'), a hamlet and a parish of W Fife. The hamlet stands in the NE, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSE of Loch Leven, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by W of the station, 3 of the post-town of LOCHGELLY, which partly lies within the SE border; at it are the parish church (1831; renovated 1876) and the public school (1874).

The parish is bounded N by Kinross, E and SE by Auchterarder, SW by Beath, and W by Beath and Cleish, Kinross-shire. It contains the mining villages of Lumphinnans and Lochore, and part of Lochgelly burgh, and has an extreme length from N to S of 4 miles, a width from E to W of from $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to $2\frac{1}{2}$, and an area now of 3912 acres. Two detached portions of the parish (of 649 and 60 acres respectively) were transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891, partly to the Fifeshire parishes of Kinglassie and Auchterderran, and partly to the parish of Portmoak in the county of Kinross. The ORE has an eastward course here of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, along the Cleish border and through the interior; and from its right bank the surface rises to 531 feet above sea-level near South Lumphinnans, from its left bank to 621 feet near Benarty House, 1167 on flat-topped Benarty Hill in the NW, and 721 on Navity Hill in the NE. The rocks belong to the Limestone Carboniferous series; the soil, by nature cold and stiff, has been greatly improved, and the bed of Loch Ore (drained towards the close of last century) yields capital crops. About one-half of the area is under tillage, the other half under wood and pasture. Ptolemy's *Victoria*, a town of the Damnonii, was situated at Loch Ore, and near it was a Roman station (Skene, *Celt. Scot.*, i. 74), whilst an islet on it was crowned by a fortress, founded in the latter half of the 11th century by Duncan de Loch Orr, from whose descendants the domain came to the Wardlaws of Torry, to Sir John Malcolm (c. 1630), and to Miss Jobson, who married the 2d Sir Walter Scott. At present the mansions are Bantyre (Wm. B. Constable) and Lochore (Alex. Burns). For school and church purposes the southern portion of Ballingry is included in the *quoad sacra* parish of Lochgelly; the rest forms a parish in the presbytery of Kinross and synod of Fife, its minister's income being £300. The school, with accommodation for 250 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 171, and a grant of £143, 15s. Valuation (1892) £13,170, 11s. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 605, (1891) 982; of civil parish (1801) 277, (1831) 392, (1851) 568, (1861) 736, (1871) 982, (1881) 1065, (1891) 2275, 175 of whom were in Lochgelly burgh.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Ballinluig, a village in Logierait parish, Perthshire, on the Highland railway at the junction of the Aberfeldy branch, 8 miles NNW of Dunkeld. It has a station and a head post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments.

Ballintomb, a burn in Knockando parish, Elginshire, running to the Spey. Its banks are beautiful, and they have, in one place, three large stones of a quondam Caledonian stone circle.

Balintore. See BALINTORE.

Ballintraid. See BALINTRAIT.

Ballintuin, a village in Fife *quoad sacra* parish and Kirkmichael *quoad civilia* parish, Perthshire, 11 miles NNW of Blairgowrie. It has a post-office with telegraph department under Blairgowrie, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 63 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 26, and a grant of £38, 5s.

Ballo, one of the Sidlaw hills, 1029 feet high, in the N of Longforgan parish, E Perthshire.

Balloch (Gael. *bealach*, 'a pass'), a village in BONHILL parish, Dumbartonshire, on the left bank of the Leven, here spanned by a suspension bridge (1842) leading to Balloch station, which, as junction of two sections of

the North British, is 30½ miles WSW of Stirling, ½ mile SSE of Balloch pier on Loch Lomond, 1½ mile N of Alexandria, and 20½ miles NW of Glasgow. The village has an excellent hotel, a post office under Jamestown, a cattle fair on Tuesday before last Wednesday in April, and a horse fair (one of the largest in Scotland) on 15th September.

Balloch, an old castle in Kenmore parish, Perthshire, the predecessor of TAYMOUTH Castle, the Marquis of Breadalbane's seat, and now represented by only a remnant to the right of the great quadrangle.

Balloch, a lake, about 1½ mile in circuit, in Muthil parish, Perthshire. It lies at the foot of Torlum Hill, and sends off its superfluous to the Earn.

Balloch, a small bay on the E side of Great Cumbrae island, Buteshire, 2 miles SW of Largs. It affords safe anchorage in any wind.

Balloch, a tract of land in Kirriemuir parish, Forfarshire. It includes a moss of considerable extent and on an average 16 feet in depth; and it contains an interesting dyke of serpentine, described by Sir Charles Lyell in the *Edinburgh Journal of Science*.

Ballochmyle (Gael. *bealach-maol*, 'bare opening'), a mansion and an estate in Mauchline parish, Ayrshire. The mansion, on the right bank of the Ayr, opposite Catrine village, and 1½ mile ESE of Mauchline town, is the seat of Sir Claud Alexander, Bart. (b. 1831; suc. 1861), owner of 4332 acres, valued at £10,377 per annum (£6182, minerals). BARKSKIMMING stands on the left bank of the river, lower down, some 2 miles SSW of Mauchline. The river between these seats and in their neighbourhood winds along a deep precipitous chasm. The Glasgow and South-Western railway crosses the chasm below Ballochmyle on a noble viaduct 95 feet high, with an arch 100 feet in span; and the road from Mauchline to Stair crosses it above Barksimming, on a bridge of similar character, 90 feet high. The estate of Ballochmyle comprises about two-fifths of Mauchline parish; has home-grounds luxuriantly wooded, liberally open to the public, and provided with seats and pavilions at the best of its many fine points of view; and passed, in the time of the poet Burns, from the ancient family of Whiteford to that of Alexander. Burns was a frequent wanderer in the Ballochmyle woods; he witnessed the grief of one of the Whiteford ladies at leaving the property, and had an accidental meeting with one of the Alexander ladies soon after she came to it, and he wrote, in sympathy with the one lady, and in admiration of the other, his *Farewell to Ballochmyle* and *Lass o' Ballochmyle*. He also wrote, at a crag here, his *Man was made to Mourn*; and, at Catrine House, in the neighbourhood, he first 'dinner'd wi' a lord.' Caleb Whiteford, of the Ballochmyle family, is celebrated by Goldsmith in a postscript to his *Retaliation*; and Colonel Allan Whiteford, another of the family, was the original of Sir Walter Scott's 'Colonel Talbot' in *Waverley*.

Ballochney, a village and a railway of N Lanarkshire. The village stands adjacent to the N side of Airdrie, in New Monkland parish, and is within the municipal boundaries of AIRDRIE burgh.—The railway joins on the W the Garnkirk and Glasgow railway, on the E the Slamannan railway; was formed between 1826 and 1840, on a capital of £70,000; in 1848 was amalgamated with the Monkland system; comprises a main line of about 3 miles from W to E, and branches of 3 miles more to several collieries and to Airdrie; serves largely for the coal and ironstone traffic of that rich mining district; and includes two beautiful self-acting inclined planes, each 1100 yards long, the first works of their kind, on any great scale, ever constructed in Scotland.

Ballochvay, a village in Mull island, Argyllshire, about 4 miles WSW of Tobermory. It consists of a single street of small neat houses.

Ballogie. See BIRSE.

Ballowmill, a burn in the NW of NE, running southward to the Eden at a point 2½ miles NE of Kettle, and giving name to several places on its banks.

Ballumbie, an estate, with the seat of Rt. M'Gavin,

Esq., and with remains of an old castle, in Murroes parish, Forfarshire, 1½ miles NE of Dundee. The old castle was the seat of the ancient Anglo-Norman family of Lovel, now long extinct.

Ballychelish. See BALLACHLISH.

Ballygrant, a hamlet, Islay, with a lead mine, the lead containing some silver. It has a post office, and forms, conjointly with Portellen and Lots, a mission of the Church of Scotland, supported by an annual grant of £50. The place of worship is a schoolroom.

Ballykellet, an ancient barony in Great Cumbrae island, Buteshire. It belonged to the Montgomerys, and belongs now to the Marquis of Bute.

Ballyphuil, a hamlet in Kincardine parish, Ross-shire, about 20 miles WSW of Bonar-Bridge. Here is a mission station of the Church of Scotland.

Ballyshear. See BALLESHARE.

Ballyshear, an estate, with a mansion, in Southend parish, Argyllshire, 5 miles S of Campbelltown.

Balmacaan, a seat of the Countess Dowager of Seafield in Urquhart parish, Inverness-shire, in the mouth of Glen Urquhart, 17 miles SW of Inverness. Behind it stretches Balmacaan deer-forest.

Balmacarra, a village in Lochalsh parish, Ross-shire, on the N side of Loch Alsh, 3 miles of Kyleakin Ferry. It has a hotel, a branch of the Commercial Bank, a parish church, a Free church, a Board school, and has also the head post office of Lochalsh, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments.

Balmacellan (Gael. 'town of Maclellan'), a village and a parish of NE Kirkcudbrightshire. The village, 2 miles NE of its post-town, New Galloway, has an inn, a post office, the parish church (built 1722, enlarged 1833), and a Board school. In the kirkyard are the grave of a martyred Covenanter, Robert Grierson (1683), a column to five natives who fell in the Crimean War, and a stone to the family of Robert Paterson ('Old Mortality'), whose wife kept a school here from 1765 to 1785.

The parish is bounded NW by Dalry, N by Dumfriesshire, E by Dumfriesshire and Kirkpatrick-Durham, S by Parton, and SW and W by Kells. From its north-eastern to its south-western angle it measures 10½ miles; its breadth varies between 3½ and 6½ miles; and its area is 23,346 acres, of which 327½ are water. The KEN and Loch Ken mark all the western, Loch URR and its outlet Ur Water great part of the western border, while along the north-western and northern flow GARPEL Burn to the Ken, Blackmark Burn and Castlefern Water to the Cairn; along the southern, Dullarg Burn to Loch Ken, and Crogo Burn to the Urr. In the interior are Shirmers and many smaller burns, as well as six lochs—Barscobe (2½ × ¾ furl.), Brack (1¾ × ¾), Howie (6 × 1), Skae (2 × 1½), and the two Lowes lochs, each about 1½ furlong in length. Most of these waters afford fairish trout fishing, Shirmers Burn being really a first-class stream. The surface has a general north-eastward rise, from Kenmure Bridge (155 feet above sea-level) to Barscobe Hill (825), Troquhain Hill (1139), Blackeraig Hill (1332), and Fell Hill (1775), 3 furlongs SE of Loch Ken. Thence it declines north-eastward to Craigmuir Moor (875 feet), south-eastward to Crierroch (671) and Crogo Mains (500). Belonging to the beautiful district of Glenkens, the western valley, about 2 miles wide, has a light, gravelly soil, and comprises most of the arable area (less than one-fifth of the entire parish), besides some 300 acres under wood. The rest is moorland; and the prevailing rocks are trap and slate, the latter quarried at two points. Mansions are Holm House, ¾ mile NW of the village, with a statue in its grounds of 'Old Mortality,' and Barlay, 2½ miles to the ESE; and 6 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 1 holds between £100 and £500, and 1 between £20 and £50. The antiquities include the supposed site of a Roman camp, at the NE angle of the parish; a mote-hill, close to the village; the habitable castle of Barscobe, 1½ mile NNE, built (1684) by William Maclellan, a scion of the Kirkcudbright family; and the ivy-clad ruins of Shirmers tower, the reputed birth-place of Thomas Gordon (1690-1750), editor of the *Inde-*

pendent Whig. The Rev. Geo. Murray (1813-81), poet and antiquary, was minister of Balmaclellan for 43 years. Part of it is included for church, school, and registration purposes in the *quoad sacra* parish of Corscock; the remainder is a parish in the presbytery of Kirkcubright and synod of Galloway, its minister's income amounting to £302. There are three schools, a free endowed one at the village, one at Trommacannie, 2½ miles S by E, and the other at Monybuie, with respective accommodation for 144, 60, and 30 children, an average attendance (1891) of 61, 20, and 12, and grants of £65, 0s. 6d., £32, 13s., and £25, 8s. Valuation (1888) £10,556, 3s. 9d. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 787, (1891) 652; of civil parish (1871) 1057, (1881) 937, (1891) 745. Pop. of registration district, 652.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 9, 1863.

Balmaduthy. See BELMADETHIE.

Balmaghie (Gael. 'town of Macglie'), a parish of central Kirkcubrightshire, which contains near its south-eastern boundary the Bridge of Dee station on the Glasgow and South-Western, 7½ miles NNE of Kirkcubright, and 3 SW of Castle-Douglas; and which is also accessible from Crossmichael, Parton, and New Galloway stations, lying just beyond its north-eastern and northern border. In it are the post office hamlets of Glenloch and Laurieston, respectively 3 miles NW and 6 WNW of their post-town Castle-Douglas; and further westward is LOCHENBRECK Spa, 4 miles S by W of New Galloway station. Balmaghie is bounded N by Kells, NE by Parton, E by Crossmichael, SE by Kelton, S by Tongland and Twynholm, and W by Girthon. Its greatest length from E to W is 7½ miles; its width from N to S varies between 4½ and 5½ miles; and its area is 21,824 acres, of which 756½ are water. Grobdale Lane or Airie Burn traces the western border to the DEE, which, following the northern, passes through Stroan Loch, and 3 miles lower down receives the Ken. A capital salmon and trout river, the Dee thence sweeps round the north-eastern, eastern, and south-eastern boundary, widening at intervals to 2 or 3½ furlongs, and wearing there the aspect of a lake. Bargatton Loch (3¼ × 2½ furl.) lies on the Tongland border; and sheets of water in the interior are Glenloo Loch (4 × 2½ furl.), Dornell Loch (3 × 2), Blates Loch (2½ × 1½), Grenoch or Woodhall Loch (1½ mile × 1 to 2 furl.), and Lochenbreck Loch (2½ × 2 furl.)—all of them yielding tolerable sport, and all communicating with the Dee by burns. Level and fertile in the SE, with pastures and well-tilled fields, the surface has a general westward rise from Glenloch Bridge (150 feet above sea-level) to Kenick or Hill of Health (862 feet), Loch Hill (900), and Airie (900); but though nearly three-fourths of it are hilly waste—boulder-strewn heath or moss,—it nowhere attains 1000 feet of elevation. The antiquities include the supposed site of a Roman camp, near Hensol; Duncannan Moat, 1 mile SW of Laurieston; and the noble ruins of THREAVE CASTLE, on an islet in the Dee, 1½ mile W of Castle-Douglas. Mansions are Hensol or Duchrae (R. D. B. Cuninghame) in the N; Woodhall (W. K. Laurie), near Laurieston, an old-fashioned house, with finely-planted park; and Balmaghie (G. Hutchison), a good modern residence standing on an estate that is said to have been acquired by an Irish chieftain, M'Ghie, whose descendants obtained charters from James IV., V., and VI. At present 6 landowners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 9 between £100 and £500, 1 between £50 and £100, and 3 between £20 and £50. Balmaghie is in the presbytery of Kirkcubright and synod of Galloway; its minister's income is £329. The parish church, a picturesque building (1794), with tiny spire and 360 sittings, is situated on the Dee, opposite Crossmichael, and 3½ miles NNW of Castle-Douglas. Two David Hallidays, shot for adherence to the Covenant (1685), rest in the graveyard; a former minister was the Rev. John MacMillan (1669-1753), who founded the Reformed Presbyterian Church, and from whom a section of the Cameronians have sometimes been called MacMillanites (see *Church of Scotland, Past and Present*). There is also a Free church; and 2 schools were open in 1891—at Glenloch and Laurieston. These had then

respective accommodation for 60 and 120 children, an average attendance of 54 and 64, and grants of £49, 7s. and £59, 9s. 6d. Valuation (1888) £10,210, 4s. 2d. Pop. (1831) 1416, (1871) 1085, (1891) 839.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 5, 1857.

Balmaha, a hamlet in Buchanan parish, Stirlingshire, on the eastern shore and near the foot of Loch Lomond, just opposite Inchcailloch isle, and 4 miles NW of Drymen. It has a pier, where the steamers call, and near which are the chemical works of Turnbull & Co., yearly consuming some 700 tons of small wood in the making of pyroigneous acids and dye-stuffs.

Balmain. See BALBEGNO.

Balmakelly, a burn in Marykirk parish, Kincardineshire, running to the North Esk.

Balmakewan, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Marykirk parish, Kincardineshire, 5 miles SW of Laurencekirk.

Balmaccolm, a village in Kettle parish, Fife, ½ mile SE of Kettle village.

Balmaleddie, a burn in Marykirk parish, Kincardineshire, running to the North Esk.

Balmangan. See BORGUE.

Balmanno, an estate, with a mansion, in Marykirk parish, Kincardineshire. A very fine spring, formerly held in superstitious veneration, and called St John's Well, is adjacent to the mansion; and sandstone is quarried on the estate.

Balmanno, an ancient castellated mansion in Dron parish, Perthshire, 3 miles WSW of Abernethy. It was the seat of the Murrays, baronets of Balmanno; is now partly occupied by a farmer; and is a fine specimen of the old Scottish baronial mansion. A rocking stone, 10 feet long and 7 broad, on a neighbouring brae, is easily set in motion by pressure of a finger.

Balmaqueen, a hamlet in the N of the Isle of Skye. Its post-town is Kilmuir under Portree.

Balmashanner, a hill 572 feet above sea-level, ¾ mile S of Forfar. Its sandstone has been extensively quarried for building and paving.

Balmerino (popularly *Balmernie*; in 1227 *Balmorinach* = Gael. *baile-mòr-nach*, 'large town of the field'), a village and a parish of N Fifeshire. The village stands on the southern shore of the Firth of Tay, 3½ miles SW of Dundee by water, 5½ WSW of its post-village and station Newport, and 7¼ N by W of Cupar. A hundred years ago it ranked as a sub-port of Dundee, annually shipping over 7000 bolls of grain; but fishing is now the sole employment, and this too has greatly fallen off.

The parish contains also the villages of Bottomcraig and Gaudry, 1 and 1½ mile ESE of Balmerino village; and is bounded NW for 4½ miles by the Firth of Tay (here from 2¼ to 2½ miles broad), E by Forgan, SE and S by Kilmarny, SW by Creich, and W by Flisk. From ENE to WSW, its greatest length is 4½ miles; its width from N to S varies between 7½ furlongs and 2½ miles; and its area is 4131½ acres, of which 1½ are 'inks' and 698½ foreshore. The surface rises steeply from the Firth's rocky shore with a general west-south-westward ascent, being traversed by two parallel spurs of the Ochils, and attaining 243 feet above sea-level near Wormit Bay, 333 near Gaudry, 337 on Scurr Hill, 423 near Priorwell, and 584, 528, and 608 on wooded Coutra, Ardie, and Green Hills. The rocks are partly eruptive, partly Devonian; and the soil is extremely variable, as may be inferred from the fact that in one year rents ranged from £1, 10s. to close on £3 per acre. On most of the northern and southern slopes it consists of thin black loam, suited for any crops, whilst in the valley between it has either a light gravelly or a strong plastic argillaceous character. About 470 acres are under wood, and nearly all the rest are arable. A height behind the village, commanding a view of the Firth up to the mouth of Strathearn, was crowned by the Cistercian Abbey of SS. Mary and Edward the Confessor, founded in 1227 by Ermengarda, William the Lyon's widowed queen, who six years later was burned before the high altar of its cruciform church. This must have been a stately Second Pointed edifice, measuring 240 by 140 feet, and

parted by eight octagonal piers into two parallel aisles; but little remains now of the entire pile save scanty ivy-clad ruins of the transept, the sacristy, the chapter-house vestibule, and the substructure of the dormitory, it having been burned by the English in 1548, and sacked by the Reformation rabble in 1559. Its lands were erected into a barony for Sir James Elphinstone, in 1604 created Lord Balmerino—an ill-starred title, whose two first holders were sentenced to death, while the sixth and last was actually beheaded on Tower Hill (18 Aug. 1746) for his part in the '45. His forfeited estate was purchased from the Crown by the York Building Company, and sold by them to the Moray family. A field between Bottomeraig and Gaudry, Battle Law, is said to have got its name from a defeat of the Danes following that battle of LUNCARTY which Hill Burton sets down as a recent invention; on a rock to the N are vestiges of Naughton Castle, a stronghold of the Hays. Modern mansions are Birkhill and Naughton House, 2 miles WSW, and 1½ mile E of Balmerino village, whose owners, Henry Scrymgeour-Wedderburn and Miss Morrison-Duncan, hold respectively 1456 and 1591 acres in the shire, valued at £2827 and £3421 per annum. Naughton House was built towards the close of last century, but has been much altered and improved since. Balmerino is in the presbytery of Cupar and synod of Fife; its minister's income is £424. The church (1811; 400 sittings), near Bottom-craig, succeeded one built at Kirkton in 1595, when the abbey church was disused; and a public school, Balmerino (at Gaudry), with accommodation for 129 children, had in 1891 an average attendance of 110, and a grant of £103, 19s. Valuation, £6925, 16s. 8d.; (1892) £5983, 16s. 4d. Pop. (1801) 786, (1831) 1053, (1851) 945, (1871) 717, (1881) 664, (1891) 688.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868. See the Rev. Jas. Campbell's *Balmerino and its Abbey; A Parochial History*.

Balmodan. See ARDCHATTAN.

Balmoral, a royal residence in Crathie parish, Aberdeenshire, on the southern bank of the Dee, 9 miles W by S of Ballater, 5½ W by N of Aberdeen, and 9½ ENE of Castleton of Braemar. It stands on a strip of level meadow, which, 926 feet above sea-level, is bounded on one side by a fine curve of the Dee, overlooked on another by the hill of Craig-Gowan (1437 feet), and commands an extensive sweep of striking scenery. A previous pile, occupied several autumns by the Royal Family, stood on adjacent ground further from the river, but was irregular and incommensurable. It belonged originally to the late Earl of Fife; was rented on a lease of 38 years, and very greatly enlarged, by the late Sir Robert Gordon, brother of the Earl of Aberdeen; and, in 1848, when 27 years of the lease had yet to run, was sold in reversion to the Queen. The nucleus of it, or part built by the Earl of Fife, was a long, steep-roofed, high-gabled, small-windowed house, and Sir Robert Gordon's additions were so numerous and various, in the form of turrets, central tower, and so forth, as to destroy all architectural character. The pile belonged to no recognised order, and displayed no unity of design, but Her Majesty saw in it, on occasion of her first visit (8 Sept. 1848), 'a pretty little castle in the old Scottish style.' The foundation stone of the present edifice was laid on 28 Sept. 1853; and it was not quite finished when the Royal Family entered it, on 7 Sept. 1855. It was built of granite, from designs by William Smith of Aberdeen, at a cost of about £100,000; is in the Scottish Baronial style; and consists of two blocks, connected by wings, and with a massive tower to the E, which, 35 feet square and 80 high, has a round corner stair-turret, 20 feet higher. A handsome suspension bridge in connection with the royal residence was constructed across the Dee at a cost of £5000, and forms a communication with the N side of the river at Crathie church. The estate of Balmoral was purchased in 1852 by the late Prince Consort for £31,500. It comprises about 11,000 acres, extends from the Dee to the summit of Lochnagar, joins the estates of ABERGELDIE and BIRKHAL, which also became royal property; and the

three estates constitute one demesne, extending 11 miles along the Dee, and southward thence to the watershed of the Dee's basin. Her Majesty owns in the shire 25,350 acres, valued at £2393 per annum. Many objects of interest are noticed in separate articles; one only shall be noticed here—the cairn that was reared on Craig-Gowan in 1863 in honour of him who had planned the entire work. It bears inscription: 'To the beloved memory of Albert the Great and Good, Prince Consort, erected by his broken-hearted widow, Victoria R.—Wisdom of Sol., iv. 13, 14.'—See pp. 65, 86, 105, 109, 115, 116, and 130 of *Leaves from the Queen's Journal in the Highlands*.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 65, 1870.

Balmore, a village in the SE of Baldernock parish, Stirlingshire, 3 furlongs N of the right bank of the Kelvin, and 3½ miles E by S of Milngavie.

Balmossie, an ancient chapelry in Monifieth parish, Forfarshire. The chapel stood on a crag above the river Dielty, nearly opposite the present mill of Balmossie; and was razed to the ground, after having long been a ruin, about the year 1762.

Balmule, an estate, with a mansion, in Dunfermline parish, Fife. The mansion stands ½ mile W of Loch Fitty and 3 miles NNE of Dunfermline; belonged to Sir Henry Wardlaw, chamberlain to Queen Anne of Denmark; and is associated with the memory of Lady Elizabeth Wardlaw (*nie* Halket, 1677-1727), whose name now figures largely in connection with the old ballad literature of Scotland.

Balmullo, a straggling village in Leuchars parish, Fife, 1½ mile WSW of Leuchars village. It has a post office under Leuchars, and a public school. Pop., with Lucklawhill (1871), 326, (1881) 316, (1891) 322.

Balmungo, an estate, with a mansion, in St Andrews parish, Fife, 1½ mile SSE of St Andrews.

Balmuto, an estate, with a mansion, in Kinghorn parish, Fife. The mansion stands 3 miles N by W of Burntisland, has finely wooded grounds, and is mainly a modern edifice, with a very old square tower.

Balm Well, a bituminous spring in Liberton parish, Edinburghshire, at St Catherine's, ¾ mile S of Liberton village. It partly holds mineral oil or petroleum in solution, partly throws it up in numerous little masses to the surface; and in pre-Reformation days was held in great veneration.

Balnaboth, an estate, with a mansion, the seat of Mrs Ogilvy of Clova, in a detached part of Kirriemuir parish, Forfarshire, that was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 to the united parish of Cortachy and Clova.

Balnacross, an ancient parish, now incorporated with Tongland, in Kirkeudbrightshire. The name signifies 'the hamlet of the cross;' and, in the corrupted form of Banecross, continues to be the name of a Tongland farmstead. The church, St. Michael's, belonging originally to the Culdees of Iona, was given by William the Lyon to the monks of Holyrood, and transferred by Robert Bruce to those of Tongland.

Balnagard, a village in Little Dunkeld parish, Perthshire, adjacent to the Highland Railway and the river Tay, 7 miles ENE of Aberfeldy. It has a public school.

Balnageith, a village of N Elginshire, 2 miles from its post-town Forres.

Balnagowan, a mansion in Kilmuir-Easter parish, E Ross-shire, 1½ mile N of Nigg Bay in Cromarty Firth, ½ mile NW of Kildary station, and 5½ miles S by W of Tain. Standing amid romantic grounds it commands a magnificent prospect; was a seat of the Earls of Ross in feudal times; is partly very ancient, partly an erection of 1836; and presents an imposing appearance, chiefly in the old Scottish Baronial style. It is a seat of Sir Charles Lockhart-Ross (b. 1872; suc. 1883), eighth Bart. since 1668, and owner of 110,445 acres in the shire, valued at £12,653 per annum.

Balnagowan, a small island in Loch Linnhe, Argyllshire, a little SW of the mouth of Loch Leven.

Balnahuaigh, one of the Slate islands in Argyllshire. It lies between Lunga and Easdale, belongs to Jura parish, measures only 1 mile in circuit, and is all

one slate quarry. Pop. (1861) 142, (1871) 146, (1881) 108, (1891) 68.

Balnakiel, a small bay in Durness parish, Sutherland. Balnakiel House, in its vicinity, was built about 1744; and was an occasional residence of the Lords Reay; and occupies the site of a summer residence of the Bishops of Sutherland and Caithness.

Balnakyle, a picturesque cascade on the Black Water rivulet, in Clyne parish, Sutherland.

Balnmoon, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Menmuir parish, Forfarshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Brechin.

Balnellan, a ferry on the river Spey, between Elginshire and Banffshire, immediately above the mouth of the river Aven.

Balone, a hamlet in St Andrews parish, Fife, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of St Andrews city.

Balone, a large old castellated building in Tarbat parish, Ross-shire, said to have been erected by the Earls of Ross. It was inhabited by the Earls of Cromarty, and by the Mackenzies of Ardloch-Assynt; but, though still almost entire, it has been deserted since about 1640.

Balquhain Castle, a ruin in Chapel-of-Garioch parish, Aberdeenshire, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of the parish church. The seat from 1340 of the Leslies of Balquhain, it gave lodging to Queen Mary on the eve of the battle of Corrichie in 1562, and was burned by the Duke of Cumberland in 1746. Here was born John Leslie, Bishop of Raphoe (d. 1671).

Balquhapple, an ancient chapelry within the quondam parish of Lang, now annexed to Kincardine, in Perthshire.

Balquhatston, an estate, with a mansion, in Slamannan parish, Stirlingshire, adjacent to the Slamannan station and Slamannan village. Coal of excellent quality is largely mined on the estate, and sent to Edinburgh and other places.

Balquhigger (Gael. *baile-chul-tìr*, 'town of the back-lying country'), a Highland parish of W Perthshire, whose eastern portion is traversed by $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the Callander and Oban railway, with Strathrye and Lochearnhead stations thereupon, the latter being 3 miles NNE of the former, 12 NNW of Callander, and 28 NW of Stirling. It contains four villages—Kirkton of Balquhigger, at the foot of Loch Voil, 3 miles W by S of Lochearnhead station, with a post office under Lochearnhead; Achtow, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the E, near King's House Inn; LOCHEARNHEAD, 2 miles NNE of its station, with a post office, having money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments; and Strathrye, with a post office under Stirling, and with two inns, at one of which Wordsworth and his sister lodged 13 Sept. 1803.

In shape resembling a triangle with vertex to the W, the parish is bounded NW by Dumbartonshire (for $\frac{1}{2}$ mile) and Killin, E by Comrie, SE and S by Callander; and has an extreme length from E to W of $15\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme width from N to S of 10 miles, and an area of $56,149\frac{2}{3}$ acres, of which $1474\frac{2}{3}$ are water. The drainage belongs in part to the basin of the Tay, but chiefly to that of the Forth. To the Tay, since the NE corner of the parish includes the head of Loch EARN, which from Balquhigger receives the Ogle (flowing 4 miles SSE), the Gleann Ceann Droma ($4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE and NE), and the Ample, with a fine waterfall (5 miles N). To the Forth, since the central Lochs Doine and VOIL are fed and connected with one another and Loch LUENAG by the river Balvag, a head-stream of the Teith. Rising close to the border of Dumbartonshire, this head-stream has a course (ENE and SSE) through the parish of 21 miles or so— $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Loch Doine, $7\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs through that lake (itself 2 furlongs wide), $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlong to Loch Voil (1 to 3 furlongs wide, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles long), 6 miles from Loch Voil to Loch Lubnag, and 2 miles through the upper waters of that lake, which fall within the SE angle of Balquhigger. Loch Voil has an altitude above sea-level of some 414, Loch Earn of 306, and Loch Lubnag of 405 feet; and from the shores of these three lakes the surface rises everywhere into steep craggy mountains. That portion of the parish to the N of the

Braes of Balquhigger, celebrated by Tannahill; and here the chief elevations from W to E are *Beinn a Chroin (3101 feet), *Stob Glas (2673), Beinn Tulachan (3099), *Stob Garbh (3148), *Am Binnein (3827), *Stob Coire an Lochan (3497), Meall Monachyle (2123), *Stob Creagach (2966), Stob Luib (1579), *Stob Meall na Frea (2457), *Meall an Lochain (2010), and Meall an t'Sealaidh (2792), where the asterisks mark those summits that culminate on the boundary. In the southern division rise *Meall Mor (2451), *Stob a Choin (2839), *Taobh na Coille (2250), *Lag a Phuill (1649), Beinn an t'Shithain (1871), and *Benvane (2685); and to the E of the railway, from N to S, are Ben Our (2250), Meall nan Oighreag (1899), *Stuc a Chroin (3189), and *Beinn Each (2660). The scenery from Loch Katrine to Loch Voil and thence to Loch Lubnag is thus described by Dorothy Wordsworth, whose brother's 'Highland Lass' was here suggested:—'We waded the river and crossed the vale, perhaps half a mile or more. The mountains all round are very high; the vale pastoral and unenclosed, not many dwellings, and but very few trees; the mountains in general smooth near the bottom. They are in large unbroken masses, combining with the vale to give an impression of bold simplicity. . . . At the foot of Loch Voil the vale is wide and populous—large pastures with many cattle, large tracts of corn. Walked down Strathrye, and saw in clear air and sunshine what had been concealed from us when we travelled before in the mist and rain. We found it less woody and rich than it had appeared to be, but, with all deductions, a very sweet valley.' The prevailing rocks are mica and clay slate, quartz, greenstone, and porphyry; and veins of galena traverse some parts of the mica slate, but have not been worked for their ore. Heath, till about the beginning of this century, dotted most of the uplands, but almost everywhere has given place to grass of soft and silky texture, while natural woods and plantations cover a considerable extent. The Maclaurins are said to have acquired from Kenneth Macalpin (844-60) the districts of Balquhigger and Strathearn; and they were once so numerous that none durst enter Balquhigger Church till they had taken their seats—a right that gave rise to many brawls, in one of which the vicar, Sir John Maclaurin, was slain (1532). In 1869 a handsome granite monument was erected in the churchyard to the memory of 'the Clan Laurin, the chief of whom, in the decrepitude of old age, together with his aged and infirm adherents, their wives and children, the widows of their departed kindred—all were destroyed in the silent midnight hour by fire and sword, by the hands of a banditti of incendiarists from Glendochart, A.D. 1558.' The said banditti of incendiarists were the Macgregors of Rob Roy's tribe; and Rob himself died in his house at Balquhigger, 28 Dec. 1734. Near the old Kirk he had fought his last fight with Stewart of Invernahyle, the Maclaurins' champion; and in its graveyard his tombstone is pointed out, lying flat on the ground to the E of the chancel gable, along with two others assigned by tradition to Helen his wife and to one of their sons. Tradition may be right enough, but all three stones are shown by their carvings, of sword and knot and suchlike emblems of Celtic art, to be centuries older than the outlaw's day, to belong, in fact, to the so-called 'sculptured stones'; a fourth 'represents an ecclesiastic with a chalice in his hands, and formerly stood within the church, in front of the Altar, but was removed in order to destroy a superstitious desire that existed among the parishioners to stand or kneel on it during a marriage or baptism. The stone is still called *Clach Aonais* (the stone of Angus), who, according to tradition, was a disciple of Columba, and the first Christian missionary in the district' (*Sculptured Stones of Scotland*). On 6 Sept. 1869 Queen Victoria visited Rob Roy's grave, which Wordsworth has sung in a well-known poem, though he never stood beside the grave itself, wrongly supposing it to be near the head of Loch Katrine. As to the ivy-mantled ruined church, with its primitive font, it is said in the *New Statistical* to

have been built in 1631, but Muir in his *Church Architecture* ascribes it to the First Pointed period, *i.e.*, to the 12th or 13th century; anyhow, Robin Oig, Rob's fifth and youngest son, here wedded the widow whom he had ravished from BALFRON, and hither three years later his corpse, after execution, was brought by a large company of sorrowing kinsfolk. Robin it was that in 1736 on Invernenty farm shot one of those MacLaurins, the writ for whose ejectment was served by a young attorney—the future Sir Walter Scott. This was in 1790, and, eight years after, the estate of Edenchip, between Lochearnhead village and the station, was purchased from the Commissioners of Forfeited Estates by Sir John Murray of Lanrick, Bart. (cre. 1795), chief of the Gregor clan, whose descendant, Sir Malcolm Macgregor, fifth Bart. (b. 1873; suc. 1879), is owner of 4050 acres in the shire, of an annual value of £1131, 5s. Another proprietor, James Carnegie, Esq. of Stronvar, near the SE corner of Loch Voil, holds 22,205 acres of £3558, 10s. value; and 3 more hold £500 and upwards, 2 between £100 and £500, mansions being Craigrule on the N shore of Loch Voil and Edinample Castle near Lochearnhead. A native was Dugald Buchanan (1716-68), the eminent Gaelic poet. Balquhiddier is in the presbytery of Dunblane and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £295. The present church (1855; 460 sittings) is a handsome Gothic edifice, and there is also a Free church; while, besides 2 schools at Lochearnhead, there are the Balquhiddier and Strathrye public schools, with respective accommodation for 84 and 50 children, an average attendance (1891) of 39 and 23, and grants of £56, 1s. and £39, 16s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £7695, 10s. 1d. Pop., mostly Gaelic speaking, of civil parish, (1801) 1377, (1831) 1049, (1851) 874, (1871) 743, (1881) 627, (1891) 612. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish, which includes part of Comrie, (1881) 904, (1891) 728. See pp. 217, 235-240, of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (ed. by Prince Shairp), and vol. ii., pp. 243-250, 279-280, of Jn. S. Keltie's *Scottish Highlands* (1892).—*Ord. Surv.*, snc. 38, 46, 1871-72.

Balquholly, an ancient baronial castle in Turriff parish, Aberdeenshire, now mainly demolished, but partly incorporated (1814) with Hatton Castle. It belonged to the Mowats, and was the residence of Sir Thomas Urquhart of Cromarty (c. 1605-60), translator of Rabelais.

Balranald, a small harbour in North Uist, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire.

Balruddery, an estate, with a handsome modern mansion, in Liff and Benvie parish, Forfarshire, 6½ miles W by N of Dundee. The mansion, on a south-eastward slope, commands an extensive view over the Firth of Tay; the estate contains romantic, finely-wooded dells, and is notable both for rare indigenous plants and for the exhumation of interesting fossils.

Balshagry, a hamlet in Govan parish, Lanarkshire, a short distance WNW of Glasgow Botanic Gardens. Recent marine shells, like extant ones in the Firth of Clyde, have been found in stratified clay, in the vicinity, at a height of not less than 80 feet above sea level. A number of villa residences have sprung up here recently.

Balshando, a small lake in Lundie parish, Forfarshire, sending off a head-stream of Dighty Water.

Balta, an islet in Unst parish, Shetland, lying to the E of Unst island. Balta Sound, separating it from Unst, is 2 miles long, and about ½ mile wide, and is so closed at the ends by Balta as to look, at a distance, like a lake. The land on both sides of the Sound is in a state of high cultivation. A hamlet here bears the name of Balta-sound, and has a post office under Lerwick, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 80 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 37, and a grant of £24, 9s. 6d.

Balthayock, a former detached section of Kinnoull parish, Perthshire, but by rearrangement of the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 with the parish of Scone it was partly transferred to that parish and partly united with the main body of Kinnoull parish.

Balthayock House in the S, 3 miles E of Perth, dates partly from 1578, partly from some two centuries earlier; it is the seat of Wm. Lowson, Esq. Balthayock Castle, close by, is the ruin of an oblong tower, supposed to have belonged to the Knights Templars.

Baltilly, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Ceres parish, Fife, just to the W of Ceres village.

Balvag. See BALQUHIDDIER.

Balvaird. See ABERNETHY, Perthshire.

Balvenie, an ancient castle in Mortlach parish, Banffshire, on the left bank of the Fiddich, a little below the influx of the Dullan, 5 furlongs N of Dufttown. It crowns a beautiful wooded knoll, and commands a rich though limited range of charming scenery. Uninhabited more than a century, it now is merely a well-preserved shell, which retains, however, its original architectural features. It is of various dates (from c. 1460), large, massive, and very magnificent, reminding one of Kinclaven and Castle Roy. The general characteristics are those of the Scottish Baronial style. It belonged to successively the Douglasses, the Stuarts, and the Inneses (1615), and it is now the property of the Duke of Fife. The motto of the Stuarts, Earls of Athole, 'Fvrth. Fortvin. Aud. Fil. Thi. Feitris,' is inscribed on its front, high over a massive iron 'yett.' A member of the house of Douglas, in the 15th century, took from it the title of Lord Balvenie; and a member of the house of Innes in 1628 was created a baronet of Nova Scotia, under the title of Sir Robert Innes of Balvenie. Views of it are given in Billings' *Baronial Antiquities*, also in Cordiner, and in Ross and M'Gibbon. The House or 'new Castle of Balvenie,' 1½ mile N of Dufttown, is a large, white, mill-like edifice (c. 1725), long untenanted, now converted into a distillery.

Balvillar, a village in Seil island, Kilbrandon parish, Argyllshire, 14 miles SSW of Oban.

Balvie, an estate, with a mansion, in New Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire, 1½ mile W of Milngavie.

Balvraid. See DORNOCCH.

Balwearie, a ruined tower in Abbotshall parish, Fife, 2 miles W by S of Kirkecaldy. It must have been 50 or 60 feet high and 43 square, with walls of 6½ feet thickness; but only the E wall, and fragments of the N and S walls, now remain. From the 13th to the 17th century it was held by a branch of the Scotts, represented to-day by the Scotts of Ancrum; and the second of the line was one Sir Michael Scott, whom Boece identified with the dread wizard of Dante's *Inferno* and Sir Walter's *Lay*. (See MELROSE.) Dates hardly favour Hector's theory, inasmuch as the wizard, after studying at Oxford, Paris, Padua, and Toledo, became astrologer to Kaiser Frederick II., who died in 1250; whilst Balwearie's Baron sailed in 1290 to Norway to bring back Margaret the infant queen, in 1292 swore fealty to Edward I., and in 1310 went on a second embassy to Norway to demand the cession of the Orkney Isles. One is loth to give up the picture drawn in Tytler's *Scottish Worthies* of 'the white-haired, venerable sage sitting in Oriental costume on the roof of his tower, observing the face of the heavens and communing with the stars;' still it seems safer merely to make Balwearie the scene of Lammikin's black revenge, as sung in the good old ballad. Or there is that weird legend of almost the last of its lords, which must be true, since Knox himself it is that tells the tale:—'How terrible a vision the prince, James V., saw lying in Linlithgow, that night in 1539 that Thomas Scott, justice clerk, died in Edinburgh, men of good credit cau yet report. For, afraid at midnight or after, he called aloud for torches, and raised all that lay beside him in the palace, and told that Thomas Scott was dead, for he had been at him with a company of devils, and had said unto him these words, "O woe to the day that ever I knew thee or thy service; for serving of thee against God, against His servants, and against justice, I am adjudged to endless torments." How terrible voices the said Thomas Scott pronounced before his death, men of all estates heard; and some that yet live can witness his voice ever was "Justo Dei judicio condemnatus sum" (By God's just judgment I am doomed).' Balwearie has given the title of Baron

to the Earl of Melville from 1690 to 1713, and since to the Earl of Leven and Melville.

Bamff House. See ALYTH.

Banavie, a village in Kilmallie parish, Inverness-shire, on the W bank of the Caledonian Canal, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E by N of Corpach pier on Loch Eil, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Fort William; 7 furlongs to the N rises Meall Bhanabhie (Gael. 'hill of the clear water') to a height of 1071 feet. The landing-place for passengers by the canal, Banavie communicates by omnibuses with Corpach; it has a post and telegraph office under Fort William, and an excellent hotel, the Lochail Arms, which commands an imposing view of Ben Nevis. A public school, erected in 1876 at a cost of £1400, with accommodation for 96 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 70, and a grant of £101, 16s. 9d.

Banchory-Devenick, a parish formerly of Kincardine and Aberdeen shires, bounded N by Newhills, NE by Old Machar, E by Nigg and the German Ocean, SW by Fetteresso, and W by Maryculter and Peterculter. It has a post office under Aberdeen. Its Aberdeenshire section, curtailed in 1867 by the annexation of the lands of Bieldside to Peterculter, was traversed by $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles of the Deeside branch of the Great North of Scotland, with Cults station thereon, 4 miles SW of Aberdeen; and its Kincardineshire section by $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the Caledonian, with Portlethen station, 8 miles S by W of Aberdeen. Its area (10,940 acres) has been lessened by 2301 acres, through the transference of the Aberdeenshire part to the parish of Peterculter by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. Banchory-Devenick parish now consists only of the Kincardineshire part of the old parish. The DEE, which divides the two shires, has a course here of fully 4 miles, and is some 250 feet wide, being spanned near Cults station by a suspension bridge (1838), and in the furthest east by the ancient bridge of Dee. (See ABERDEEN.) The coast line, 4 miles long, is rocky and indented, rapidly rising to 200 feet; along it stand the three small fishing hamlets of Findon, Portlethen, and Downies, the first of which gave name to 'Finnan haddocks.' Inland the surface, though generally stony and rugged, at no point much exceeds 400 feet above sea-level, Sunnyside (545 feet) falling just within the Maryculter border. The prevailing rock is a granite so hard as to be little quarried; and the soils are of all kinds, from pure alluvium to hard till, and from rich loam to deep moss. Antiquities are four stone circles in the S, and in the NW three large cairns, near which two stone coffins were found in 1850. The Deeside portion of the parish has been divided into many small suburban estates, with handsome residences and fine plantations; among larger mansions are Ardoe and Banchory House (where Prince Albert lodged 14 Sept. 1859) to the S, and Murtle, Cults, Woodland, Craige-bueckler, and Norwood, to the N. of the river. Thirteen proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 21 of between £100 and £500, 20 of from £50 to £100, and 19 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery and synod of Aberdeen, this parish is divided into the *quoad sacra* parishes of Banchory-Devenick (iving, £176), Portlethen, and Craige-bueckler. Portlethen was constituted in 1856, and Craige-bueckler in 1886. Portlethen church (460 sittings) is close to Portlethen station, whilst the church of Banchory (rebuilt 1822; 900 sittings) stands on the Dee's right bank, 7 furlongs ESE of Cults. There are also an Established mission church at Cults, and the Free churches of Cults and Banchory-Devenick. There are 3 public schools of Banchory-Devenick, Findon, and Portlethen, with respective accommodation for 133, 160, and 171 children, an average attendance (1891) of 111, 109, and 132, and grants of £117, 8s., £98, 18s., and £122, 13s. Valuation (1891) £14,253, 0s. 10d., including £1818 for railway. Pop. (1861) 2846, (1871) 3052, (1881) 3322, (1891) 3564, of whom 1756 were in the *quoad sacra* parish of Banchory-Devenick.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 67, 77, 1871-73.

Banchory-Ternan, a parish formerly partly in Aberdeen and partly in Kincardine shires, containing the police burgh of Banchory, which stands at 166 feet above sea-level, on the northern bank of the Dec, here crossed by

an iron-truss bridge (1798-1829) of 175 feet span with three smaller stone arches, and which has a station on the Deeside railway, 17 miles WSW of Aberdeen, and $26\frac{1}{2}$ E of Ballater. Founded in 1805, it became a burgh in 1885 by adopting the Police Act of 1862. It has many tasteful villas, favourite resorts of Aberdonians, and is governed by commissioners, consisting of 2 bailies and 5 councillors. It possesses a post office, with money order and savings bank departments, a railway telegraph office, branches of the Union, the North of Scotland, and the Town and County banks, hotels, a guild (John Watson's), a gas company, a Young Men's Christian Association, a Bible Society, and a neat town-hall. The parish church (1824) is a Gothic building, with a tower and 1250 sittings; there is also a Free church (1880, 700 sittings; cost, £3000) with spire 100 feet high; a U.P. church, St Ternan's Episcopal church (1851), and a Reid monument. A public park was opened in 1887, the land for which (about 16 acres) was presented by Sir Robert Burnet, Bart. It has been beautifully laid out at an expense of £800, and contains a large sheet of water, used for skating and curling in winter. Cattle, sheep, and horse fairs are held on the last Monday of January and February, the last Thursday of March, the Monday before 26 May (also feing), the third Tuesday of June, the Tuesday of Paldy Fair week in July, the second Tuesday of August, the Monday before the first Tuesday of September, old style, and the second Monday of November (also feing) and December. Pop. (1861) 681, (1871) 865, (1881) 1195, (1891) 1400.

The parish is bounded N by Midmar, NE by Echt, E by Drumoak, SE by Durris, SW by Strachan and Birse, and W by Kincardine O'Neil. With very irregular outline, its length from E to W varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles, its breadth from N to S between $3\frac{1}{2}$ and 7 miles; and its land area is 20,079 acres. The Boundary Commissioners in 1891, by extending the boundaries of Kincardineshire, placed the parish of Banchory-Ternan wholly within that county. The DEE has an eastward course here of 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles—first 5 on the Birse and Strachan boundary, next $3\frac{1}{2}$ through the interior, and lastly 2 on the Durris border. It falls in this course from 249 feet above sea-level at Haugh of Sluie to 117 at Mills of Drum; at Cairnton supplies the ABERDEEN Waterworks; and opposite the village receives from the SSW the Water of FROGH, whose last $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile either separates Banchory-Ternan from Strachan or traverses its interior. The chief elevations are to the N of the Dee, Blacky-duds (1422 feet), Craigrath (1429), and Berry Hill (765), all three summits of the Hill of Fare; to the S, Hill of Maryfield (482), Craig of Afrusk (803), and, on the SW border, Garrol Hill (627). Loch Leys, a large sheet of water towards the middle of the northern section, was drained not long before 1865; its interesting 'cranog' or lake-dwelling is described in vol. vi. of *Proceedings of the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland*. Granite is the prevailing rock, but limestone also has been largely worked; the soils are either alluvial or chiefly composed of disintegrated granite, and about 6500 acres are arable, 5000 under wood, and 1000 capable of reclamation, the rest being moorish pasture or waste. Four stone circles, some cairns, and a camp (perhaps Roman) at Cairnton, make up, with CRATHES and Tilquhillie Castles, the antiquities; the chief historical event connected with the parish was the battle of CORRICHE (1562). The following are the chief mansions, with owners' names and the extent and yearly value of their estates:—Crathes Castle (Sir Rt. Burnett of Leys, eleventh Bart. since 1626; 12,025 acres; £5007), Raemoir House (Al. Innes; 4750 acres; £2847), Inehmarlo (Duncan Davidson; 985 acres; £896), Banchory Lodge (T. B. Ramsay of Arbedae; 1800 acres; £1843), Inverly House (Jn. W. E. J. Douglass of Tilquhillie; 1808 acres; £1015), etc.; in all, 8 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 1 holds between £100 and £500, and 9 hold each between £50 and £100, 36 between £20 and £50. The saint from whom this parish takes its distinctive suffix, Terrananus, Torannan, or Ternan, is thought by Skene to have been a disciple of Pal-

ladius or Paddy, to have brought that saint's relics hither about 430 from either Ireland or Galloway, and himself to have been buried at Liconium, the old name probably of Banchory-Ternan; he thus was the only apostle of the southern Picts, really belonging to the 5th century (*Celt. Scot.*, ii. 26-32). The first post-Reformation minister, James Reid, was father of Thomas Reid, the Latinist, and Alexander, an eminent physician; and Dr George Campbell, minister 1748-57, composed here part of his *Philosophy of Rhetoric*. Banchory-Ternan is in the presbytery of Kincardine O'Neil and synod of Aberdeen; its minister's income is £227. Five schools—Central, Crathes, Inchmarlo, Tilquhillie, and Raemoir—with total accommodation for 639 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 424, and grants amounting to £435, 4s. 6d. Reid and Burnett's endowed female school, with accommodation for 112, had in 1891 an average attendance of 96, and a grant of £81, 7s. 6d. Valuation £19,658, 17s. 11d., including £4133 for railway. Pop. (1881) 3065, (1891) 3193.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 66; 76, 1871-74.

Bancleroche or Kirkton, an estate, with a mansion, in Campsie parish, Stirlingshire. The mansion stands in the mouth of Kirkton Glen.

Bancrosh. See BALNACROSS.

Bandirran, an estate, with a mansion, in Collace parish, Perthshire, 7 miles NE of Perth.

Bandirran, South, a former detached section ($7\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ furl.) of Caputh parish, Perthshire, to the S of Bandirran House, transferred in 1891 to Collace parish.

Bandrum, an estate, with a mansion, in Saline parish, Fife, 5 miles NW of Dunfermline.

Baneton or Bainton, a village in Kennoway parish, Fife, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NNE of Kennoway village.

Banf (pron. *Banf*; anc. *Banef*, c. 1150; *Banb*, 1185; *Banf*, 1289; perhaps from *Boyne*), a royal burgh and seaport, the capital of Banffshire, in a parish of its own name, and a parliamentary burgh, comprising the separate police-burgh of MACDUFF, in Gamrie parish. By road it is $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile WSW of Macduff, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Aberdeen, and 22 W of Fraserburgh; and from two stations, Banff Bridge and Banff Harbour, on the Turfiff and Banffshire sections (1857-59) of the Great North of Scotland railway, it is $29\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by W of Inveramsay Junction, 50 NNW of Aberdeen, $16\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Grange Junction, $20\frac{3}{4}$ NE of Keith, $4\frac{1}{2}$ E by N of Elgin, $75\frac{1}{2}$ ENE of Inverness, $185\frac{1}{2}$ N by E of Edinburgh, and $202\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Glasgow. With the Moray Firth to the N, Banff Bay and the Deveron to the E, to the S Duff House and its finely-wooded park, Banff was parted till lately into the larger low town and the sea-town, one built on a gentle declivity towards the river, and the other crowning an elevated plateau, that breaks off suddenly within a few yards of the beach. But by the feuing of the space between—the site of the ancient castle—the two have been brought into connection; and at present there is a southward extension of villas along the Sandyhill Road; whilst the whole is characterised by a neatness and liveliness that yearly attract an increasing number of summer visitors. An ancient place, Banff has retained few relics of antiquity, the House of Airlie and the Ogilvies' stately 'Palace' both having disappeared, the latter partially destroyed by General Munro in Aug. 1640, and finally removed c. 1760; of the Castle, as old at least as 1290, nothing is left but a scrap of the outer wall and moat, the portion in which Archbishop Sharp was born (4 May 1618) having been demolished early in this century. The walls, probably six centuries old, are 263 feet in length, 18 feet high, and 6 feet 4 inches in thickness, and in good preservation. The present castle was built in 1750 by Lord Deskford, and is a plain modern building, inferior in interest to the Laird of Auchmedden's town house at the head of the Strait Path. The old kirk is represented by only one vaulted aisle, the burying-place of the Ogilvies, Lords Banff (1642-1893). A Carmelite monastery existed near the town from 1324 till the Reformation, and a bedehouse existed, but of no great age.

To come to the modern town, Banff has a post office,

with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Union, Commercial, National, North of Scotland, and Town and County banks, a Central Savings' Bank, insurance agencies, hotels, a gas-light company (1831), a water company, a spacious market-place (laid out in 1830), masonic lodges, public baths, a lifeboat, etc., and publishes the *Tuesday Liberal Banffshire Journal* (1845). The Town-House (1796) is a plain three-storied edifice, forming two sides of a square, with an earlier fluted spire, 100 feet high at the outer angle; the County Buildings, also Grecian in style, were erected in 1871 at a cost of £7214—one-half thereof defrayed by Government,—and contain a court room, 38 feet long, $28\frac{1}{2}$ wide, and $26\frac{1}{2}$ high. A County Prison (1796) was discontinued in 1878; the County Lunatic Asylum (1865) is a Tudor structure, built at a cost of £12,000 for 165 inmates, near Lady'sbridge station, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of the town. Chalmers' Hospital (1862), a striking Elizabethan pile, like Donaldson's Hospital at Edinburgh, cost £6000 of the £70,000 bequeathed by Alex.



Seal of Banff.

Chalmers, Esq. of Clunie for 'the support, maintenance, cure, and relief of 50 destitute sick paupers, lunatics, and infirm persons of both sexes, being natives of Banffshire,' this being one out of several mortifications—Cassie's (£10,000), Smith's (£10,000), Wilson's (£5500), etc. Other noteworthy structures are the seven-arched bridge (1779), leading across the Deveron to Macduff, with a free water-way of 142 yards; the Young Men's Christian Association Hall (1866; 650 seats); St Andrew's Masonic Lodge, Venetian in style; the Fire Arms Hotel; the Public School (1838; cost, £4500), a Grecian building, with eastern façade 154 feet long; Pirie's Institution (1804); and the Biggar Memorial Drinking Fountain (1878), designed by J. Rhind after St Giles's spire, Edinburgh. The library of the Literary Society, in the Town-House, is extensive and well-selected; and the Museum of the Scientific Institution, in the vestibule of the Public School, owed much to the curatorship of Thomas Edward (1814-1886), the 'Scotch Naturalist' of Smiles's charming work. Places of worship are the very plain parish church (1790; 1500 sittings), with a fine spire added in 1849; a Grecian domed Free Church (1844; enlarged in 1876 by 108 sittings at a cost of £1500); a Gothic U.P. church (1880; 275 sittings; cost, £1800); a Congregational chapel (1834; 400 sittings); a Gothic Wesleyan chapel (1878; 259 sittings; cost, £1400), with a spire; St Andrew's Episcopal church (1833; 356 sittings), a Debased Gothic building, adorned in 1875-81 with three beautiful stained-glass windows; the Gothic Roman Catholic church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (1870; 250 sittings); Salvation Army Barracks, Carmelite Street; and in the Innes Hall a Christian Meeting-House. Besides two boarding establishments there are two board schools, public and Episcopalian, with respective accommodation for 1003 and 90 children, which had in 1891 an average attendance of 595 and 82, and grants amounting to £657, 16s. and £71, 15s.

The port of Banff includes the creeks or sub-ports of Macduff, Fraserburgh, Gardenstown, Portsoy, Port-Gordon, and Garmouth; and Banff itself makes but a small figure in the aggregate business of the seven. Its harbour, formed at the Deveron's mouth in 1775, is greatly inferior to that of Macduff, in spite of a pier and break-water constructed by Telford in 1816 at a cost of £20,000. Often impeded by shifting shoals, it should at ordinary high water admit vessels drawing 12, at spring-tides 15 feet. On 31 Dec. 1891 there were registered as belonging to the port 73 sailing vessels of 9229 tons, against a tonnage of 1943 in 1797, 4301 in 1836, 7448 in 1845, 13,009 in 1853, 12,891 in 1863, 17,033 in 1873, and 21,538 in 1880. The following table gives the tonnage of vessels that entered and cleared from and to foreign

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and colonial ports and coastwise, with cargoes and also—for the last four years—in ballast:—

	Entered.			Cleared.		
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.
1845	39,382	2939	42,321	29,474	2606	32,080
1853	29,282	2403	31,685	22,618	1175	23,793
1863	23,849	5538	29,387	13,396	2965	15,761
1873	27,706	3748	31,454	29,267	3528	32,795
1875	33,513	5361	39,164	35,453	4700	40,153
1880	27,468	5080	32,948	27,325	3803	31,128
1891	32,752	2576	35,328	31,601	2554	34,155

Of the total 400 vessels of 35,328 tons, that entered in 1891, 101 of 12,856 tons were steamers, 35 of 2683 tons were in ballast, and 350 of 32,783 tons were coasters; whilst the total 379 of 34,155 tons of those that cleared included 74 steamers of 11,467 tons, 174 ships in ballast of 12,658 tons, and 334 coasters of 29,004 tons. Coal is the chief article of import, whilst exports are grain, cattle, salmon, and herrings. Banff also is head of the fishery district between Buckie and Fraserburgh, in which, during 1890, there were cured 33,612 barrels of white herrings, besides 51,500 cod, ling, and hake—taken by 508 boats, the persons employed being 1598 fishermen and boys, 24 fish-curers, 61 coopers, and others; and the total value of boats, nets, and lines being estimated at £62,962. A Morton's patent slip, for ships of 300 tons, has been in use here since 1836. There is a custom house, and the merchants have the privilege of a bonded warehouse. Shipbuilding and rope and sail making are also carried on. There are further a tobacco and a chemical manure factory, 2 woolen mills, a tannery, an iron foundry, a brewery, a distillery, a timber yard, and a brick-field. Friday is market-day; and fairs are held on the Friday before May 28, the first Friday of August, old style (feeing), and the Friday before Nov. 28. The river Deveron abounds with salmon. From the bridge at Banff a fine view is obtained of Duff House, the seat of the Duke of Fife, which contains an extensive collection of curiosities and paintings.

A traditional residence of Malcolm Ceanmor (1058-93), Banff certainly is older than the reign of Malcolm IV., who signed a charter at it in 1163. A charter of William the Lion two years later refers to it as a royal burgh, and in its privileges of royalty it was confirmed by Robert Bruce (1324), Robert II. (1372), and James VI. (1581). Its part in history has been insignificant. In April 1644 it was pillaged by the anti-Covenanting Lairds of Gight, Newton, and Ardlogie, with forty other 'brave gentlemen,' and again in the following March by the Marquis of Montrose, who, 'marching to Banff, plundered the same pitifully, no merchant's goods or gear left; they saw no man in the street but was stripped naked to the skin. Some two or three houses were burned, but no blood shed, and so they left Banff.' Cumberland's troops, *en route* for Culloden, bivouacked round Duff House, then building, on 10 Apr. 1746, hanged two suspected spies, and destroyed the Episcopal chapel; in 1759 a French ship of war, appearing off the coast, caused a prodigious scare. A flying visit from Dr Samuel Johnson in 1773, and a longer one from Burns in 1787, with great floods of the Deveron (1768, 1799, 1829, and 1835), well-nigh exhaust Banff's local history. One episode remains, the trial and execution (in 1700) of James M'Pherson, as 'holdin, known, and reput an Egyptian.' Son of a Highland laird and Gipsy dam, he had been leader of twenty-seven armed men, with a piper playing at their head; and his target and huge mediæval two-handed sword are preserved at Duff House; his fiddle-neck is an heirloom in the Cluny-Macpherson family. Burns tells us how—

'Sae rantin'ly, sae wantonly,
Sae dauntin'ly gaed he:
He play'd a spring and danced it round
Below the gallow's tree;—

and relics more precious than either sword or fiddle are his rude reckless *Rant*, and the beautiful air to which he

set the same. He played it as he walked to execution, and at the gallow's foot proffered his instrument to who would take it, but no man venturing, snapt it across his knee (Groome's *In Gipsy Tents*, 2d ed. 1881; and Cramond's *Annals of Banff*, i. 99-113). The town council comprises a provost, 3 bailies, a dean of guild, a treasurer, 3 councillors, etc.; and, besides burgh, guildry, and sheriff courts, quarter sessions of the peace are held on the first Tuesdays of March, May, and August, and the last Tuesday of October, sheriff small debt courts on every Tuesday during session. With ELGIN, Cullen, Inverurie, Kintore, and Peterhead, Banff returns one member, its parliamentary constituency numbering 756, and its municipal 527 in 1891, when the value of real property within the parliamentary burgh amounted to £12,306 (£8660 in 1865), and the corporation fixed revenue to £727. Pop. of municipal burgh (1782) 2380, (1831) 2935, (1851) 3557, (1861) 3724, (1871) 4032, (1881) 4255, (1891) 3871; of parl. burgh (1851) 6042, (1861) 6781, (1871) 7439, (1881) 8841, (1891) 7578.

The parish of Banff is bounded N for 2½ miles by the Moray Firth, E and SE by Gamrie and Alvah and a former detached portion of Aberdeenshire now united to Alvah, S by Marnoch, and W and NW by Boyndie; and has an extreme length from NE to SW of 6½ miles, an extreme width from E to W of 3½ miles, and a land area of 6073 acres. The DEVERON traces the eastern, the BURN of BOYNDIE the north-western boundary; and the latter receives two rivulets from the interior, whose surface has a general southward rise, attaining 274 feet at Gallow Hill, 308 near Upper Denhead, 512 at the Hill of Culbirnie, 466 at Ella, 456 near Ord church, and 573 at the Hill of Ord, on the Alvah border. Clay slate and greywacke are the prevailing rocks, but granite, mica slate, and Old Red sandstone also occur; and the granite and sandstone have been quarried for building, while patches of fossiliferous lias clay have been worked for bricks and tiles. The soils vary greatly with the rocks that they overlie, and where resting on slate are argillaceous and very fertile. Nearly four-fifths of the entire area are cultivated, and some 260 acres are under wood, the remainder being either pasture or waste. Inchdrewer Castle, a farmstead now, 3 miles SW of the town, in 1713 was the scene of the tragical death of George, Lord Banff, murdered, it was thought, by thieving domestics, who then fired the building to conceal their crime; DUFF House is the only great mansion in the parish, of which it forms the most conspicuous feature. The chief proprietors, with the extent and yearly value of their estates within the shire, are its owner the Duke of Fife (who has sold out somewhat extensively of late), the Countess-Dowager of Seafield, of Cullen House (48,946 acres, £33,878 + £390 for harbour), and Sir Rt. Jn. Abercromby of Forglan House (8053 acres, £6290); 1 other holding an annual value of £500 and upwards, 3 of between £100 and £500, 16 of from £50 to £100, and 78 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Fordyce and synod of Aberdeen, this parish is divided between the *quoad sacra* parishes of Banff (4408 inhabitants in 1891; living, £352) and ORD. At Hilton and Headrooms, 4½ and 7¼ miles SW of the town, are 2 public schools under the landward board, which, with respective accommodation for 142 and 100 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 64 and 56, and grants of £62, 3s. 6d. and £54, 6s. 6d. Pop. (1801) 3572, (1821) 3855, (1831) 3711, (1841) 3958, (1851) 4426, (1861) 4673, (1871) 5015, (1881) 5252, (1891) 4763.—*Ord. Sur.*, sb. 96, 1876. See Jas. Imlach's *History of Banff* and Cramond's *Annals of Banff*.

Banffshire, a maritime county in the NE of Scotland. It is bounded N by the Moray Firth, E and S by Aberdeenshire, W by Inverness and Elgin shires. The river Deveron, first for about 3 miles down to Edinglassie, next for 1½ mile at Rothiemay, next for 11½ miles down to the vicinity of Banff, traces the boundary with Aberdeenshire; a series of mountain watersheds, in the southern district, forms much of the rest of the Aberdeenshire border; the rivulet Ailnach, for about 5 miles to within 2½ miles of its influx to the Aven, forms the

boundary with Inverness and Elgin shires; the Spey, first for about 11 miles downward from the south-western vicinity of the Aven's confluence to the vicinity of Ben Aigan, next for about 3½ miles from the vicinity of Gordon Castle to the sea, forms the boundary with Elginshire; and merely artificial lines form most other parts of the landward boundaries. The waters of the county are the Spey, the Livet, the Aven, the Fiddich, the Deveron, the Isla, the Conglas, etc. The Deveron is not navigable, but it as well as the Spey yields good fishing. Along the coast are a number of rivulets, which fall with a quick descent, and are useful in propelling machinery. The main body of the county has an exceedingly irregular outline, and had formerly many detached parts. Gamrie parish wants little more than ½ mile of being entirely detached; and, even over that ½ mile or so, is separated from Banff parish by the river Deveron. Twelve other parishes, and parts of three more, form nearly an oblong of about 23 miles from E to W, by about 12 from N to S; and bounded N by the Moray Firth. Keith parish, partly included in that oblong, becomes for about 5 miles the only part of the main body of the county; and, at the narrowest part of these 5 miles, is only 3½ miles wide. The rest of the county extends south-south-westward from the W side of the great oblong; increases from a breadth of 5 miles at the S end of Keith parish to a breadth of 15 miles at a line 9 miles further S; contracts to a breadth of only 3½ miles at a line 14 miles still further S; and forms thence a proximately triangular tract of 6½, 13, and 9 miles, with the apex to the SW. The greatest length of the whole county, measuring in a line stretching south-westward from the mouth of the Deveron to the south-western apex of the triangle, is 59 miles; the greatest breadth is 31 miles east-north-eastward, along the coast, from the Spey in the vicinity of Gordon Castle to the NE extremity of Gamrie; and the total area is about 700 square miles. The old divisions of country comprehended in it are Boyne, Enzie, Strathdeveron, Strathisla, Balvenie, Strathaven, and parts of Buchan and Moray.

The surface, in a general view, is very uneven, yet ranges from alluvial flat to alpine mountain. Strips of low land lie on parts of the coast, and along some of the banks of the rivers, but are of no great aggregate extent. Undulations, hills, and plateaux occupy the greater part of the area even in the vicinity of the coast, and specially throughout the centre. Ranges and masses of mountain fill most of the SW, extend to the great Grampian knot of the Cairngorms, and leave little space for valley bottoms or any kind of arable grounds. From N to S, and crosswise from W to E, the highest or more conspicuous summits are the Hill of Stonylacks (948 feet above sea-level), the Hill of Maud (900), the Bin of Cullen (1050), Durn Hill (651), the Hill of Culbirnie (512), the Hill of Alvah (578), Troup Hill (652), Millstone Hill (987), Lug Hill (1028), Knock Hill (1409), Meikle Balloch (1199), the Hill of Towis (1108), Ben Aigan (1544), Meikle Conval (1867), Ben Rinnes (2755), the *Hills of Cromdale (2316), *Carn Mor (2636), *Cairngorm (4084), *Ben Macduih (4296), and *Beinn a Bhuird (3860), where the asterisks mark those summits that culminate on the border of the shire. The chief rivers, besides the Deveron and the Spey, are the Isla, running to the Deveron; the Aven and the Fiddich, running to the Spey; the Ailnach and the Livet, running to the Aven; and the Boyne, Cullen, and Tynet burns, running to the sea. The only considerable lake is Loch Avon, embosomed among the Cairngorm Mountains. Granite rock prevails in the SW; metamorphic rocks prevail in the vicinity of the granite, and occur in other quarters; Silurian and Devonian rocks occur in the coast district; limestone, though not in one continuous bed, is found in most districts, passes into marble in Keith, Mortlach, and Forlyce parishes, and is associated with serpentine at Portsoy; and patches or traces of both the lias and the chalk formations are on some parts of the coast. Building-stones are quarried from several kinds of rock; slates are quarried in Boharm, Keith, and Banff parishes;

marble was long worked into monuments, mantelpieces, and toys at Portsoy; laminated marble, found in the bed of the Fiddich, is formed into whetstones and hones; lias clay is worked into bricks and tiles; and rock-crystals and topazes are gathered on the Cairngorms. The climate varies in the different districts, being good along the coast, somewhat late on the uplands.

Agricultural and stock statistics are reserved for the Introduction, but it may here be stated that the proportion of cultivated land to the total area is about 37 per cent., while the proportion of cultivated land in all Scotland is only about 22 per cent. The arable soil, in a general view, may be described as of three kinds. That of the low flat lands on the banks of waters, where not mixed with alluvial sand, is a stiff deep clay; that on the sides of valleys, or the skirts of hills, is commonly a deep black loam incumbent on rock; and that on the acclivities of hills, on plateaux, or on other comparatively high parts, is either a deep black loam incumbent on rock, or a mixture of moss and gravel on a red, tilly, retentive bottom. A large aggregate of previously waste land was reclaimed for cultivation in the years from 1854 till 1881. The reclamation was effected chiefly in the parishes of Alvah, Boyndie, Forlyce, Rathven, Botriphnie, Boharm, Aberlour, and Inveraven. Wheat grows best in the Enzie district, but is not suited to most parts of the county; barley grows well in both the lower and the central parishes; oats (the chief crop) are best suited to the glens of the upper districts; and turnips grow well in all parts. Oats sometimes do not reach maturity in the higher districts; and, in their best state there, they give a yield often under 40 lbs. per bushel, and sometimes as low as 30 lbs.; but in the other localities, in ordinary seasons, they yield from 42 to 47 lbs. per bushel. Turnips are sometimes reluctant to braid on some of the heavier soils; and they give a yield, on the best fields, of from 20 to 25, or occasionally even 30 tons per acre. Considerable improvements have of late years been made in the courses of rotation, in the use of implements, in the selection and application of manures, and in the mutual adaptation of the arable and pastoral husbandries, but drainage is still defective.

Attention is given more to live stock than to cropping. The great majority of all the cattle, and about eight-tenths of the cows, are cross-breeds. The Aberdeenshire, the Galloway, and the Ayrshire breeds, together with some individuals of the English breeds, were introduced at early periods of the era of agricultural improvement; but they have rarely been preserved in a pure or uncrossed state. Many fine herds of pure shorthorns, however, and also several fine herds of pure very fine polled cattle, are within the county, and have produced several first-prize specimens at the Highland and Agricultural Society's great annual shows. The farmers usually seek improvement of their own stocks by crossing with imported breeds; and some of them give main attention to the dairy, others to feeding and fattening for exportation. Sheep command comparatively far less attention than cattle. Southdowns are reared at Gordon Castle, but are elsewhere almost unknown. Leicesters form several good flocks in the lower districts. Cheviots occur in some places, but do not form any large breeding flocks. The native black-faced breed is the most common; and it forms large flocks in the uplands, particularly in Glenlivet and Strathaven. Formerly a somewhat inferior breed, they now are very considerably improved. Most of the breeding mares are crosses, while many of the stallions are Clydesdales; and the results are animals more weighty, spirited, and enduring than those which formerly prevailed. The breed of pigs also is much improved during the last 40 or 50 years.

Farms are generally let on leases of 19 years; and none are now open to public competition, by advertisement or otherwise, except when tenants become incompetent or retire. The practice of turning several small farms into one was frequent till 1850, but had ceased for several years prior to 1871. The number of farms in 1891 was 4109, some of which are owned by their cultivators.

The manufactures are of comparatively small amount, and chiefly for home consumption. The manufacture of linen yarn and linen cloth was at one time very considerable in Banff, Cullen, Keith, and Portsoy; and that of stocking-thread, for export to Nottingham and Leicester, was extensively carried on at Banff and Portsoy; but these manufactures dwindled away into either insignificance or extinction, and have not been followed by any others of similar character or of equal importance. Foundry-work, tanning, rope-making, the curing of fish, and some other industries employ a good many hands. There are several extensive distilleries at work, Glenlivet whisky having acquired special reputation. Salmon fishing in the Spey and in the Deveron is conducted on yearly rentals of about £50,000. Herring fishing and deep-sea fishing, as indicated in our statistics of the Banff and Buckie fishery districts, are very productive, and employ large numbers of persons. Commerce is carried on from Banff, Macduff, Gardenstown, Portsoy, Cullen, Buckie, and Port-Gordon. The railways are the main line of the Great North of Scotland system, along Strathisla, past Keith; a branch from that line coming from Inveramsay and going to Macduff; another branch from it at Grange, with two forks to respectively Banff and Portsoy; another from Keith, past Dufftown, to the Craigellachie Junction; and another from Dufftown to Cullen, Port Gordon, and on to Elgin.

The royal burghs are Banff and Cullen; police burghs are Aberchirder, Buckie, Dufftown, Keith, Macduff, and Portsoy, and other towns and chief villages are Portknockie, Gardenstown, Charlestown of Aberlour, Port-Gordon, Portessie, Findochty, Whitehills, Fetterangus, Fordyce, Newmills, and Tomintoul. The principal mansions are Gordon Castle, Duff House, Eden House, Rothiemay House, Auchintoul, Cullen House, Forglan, Arndilly, Letterfourie, Edingight, Troup House, Mayen House, Mountblair House, Auchlunkart, Cairnfield House, Drummuir Castle, Park House, Kininvie House, Aberlour House, Lesnurdie, Netherdale, Cobairdy, Dungalug House, Ballindalloch Castle, Carnousie, Glassaugh, Orton, and Blairshinnoch. According to *Miscellaneous Statistics of the United Kingdom*, 405,501 acres, with total gross estimated rental of £227,025, were divided among 4025 landowners.

The county is governed (1892) by a lord-lieutenant, a vice-lieutenant, 38 deputy-lieutenants, a sheriff, a sheriff-substitute, 6 honorary sheriff-substitutes, and 271 magistrates. The sheriff court is held at Banff in two sessions, from 1 May till 31 July, and from 1 Oct. till March, and the court days are every Wednesday for ordinary business, and Thursday for proofs. Sheriff small debt courts are held at Banff every Tuesday during session, and once in winter, twice in summer, vacation; at Keith on third Saturday of February, April, June, August, October, December; at Buckie on the fourth Thursday of January, March, September, November, and first Thursday of May and July; at Dufftown, including the district formerly attached to Tomintoul, on the first Saturday of April and July, and fourth Saturday of January and October. The police force, in 1891, exclusive of that in Banff burgh, comprised 32 men, and the salary of the chief constable was £250. The County Council is composed of thirty-two elected members for as many electoral divisions, and three representatives of royal burghs—two for Banff and one for Cullen. It is divided into eight Committees—the County Road Board, the Joint Standing Committee (appointed partly by the County Council and partly by the Commissioners of Supply), the Finance Committee, the Committee under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, the Lunacy Board, the Courthouse Committee, and the Committees of Appeals against Rates for the Upper and Lower Districts. The annual value of real property was £229,884 in 1891, with £25,188 for railways. The county, exclusive of the burghs, returns a member to parliament; its constituency was 7578 in 1891. Pop. (1891) 64,190, of whom 33,442 were females. Houses 12,707 inhabited, 512 vacant, 45 building.

The boundaries of Banffshire, in so far as they were

affected by the neighbouring counties of Aberdeen and Elgin, were rearranged by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 pretty much according to the registration county boundaries. Of those parishes partly in the county of Banff and partly in that of Aberdeen, Cabrach has been placed wholly in Banffshire, and the Banffshire portions of the parishes of Cairnie and King Edward have been placed in the Banffshire parishes of Keith and Alvah respectively, the names Cairnie and King Edward being limited to the Aberdeenshire portions; while Gartly, Glass, New Machar, Old Deer, and St Fergus have been placed wholly in Aberdeenshire. By section 41 of the Local Government (Scotland) Act, 1889, the parishes of Gamrie and Inverkeithny, and parts of the parishes of Alvah and Rothiemay, are to be deemed in the county of Aberdeen for public health and road administration, but for all other purposes these four parishes are wholly in the county of Banff. Of the parishes partly in the county of Banff and partly in that of Elgin, Boharn, Inveraven, and Keith have been placed wholly in the former, and Bellie and Rothes in the latter.

The registration county takes in parts of Keith and Inveraven parishes from Elginshire; gives off parts of Bellie and Rothes parishes to Elginshire, of Cairney, Gartly, Glass, New Machar, and Old Deer parishes to Aberdeenshire; comprises 23 entire parishes; and had, in 1891, a population of 61,209. All the parishes are assessed for the poor. The number of registered poor, in the year ending 14 May 1891, was 1556. The percentage of illegitimate births was 14·8 in 1890.

The civil county is divided ecclesiastically into 22 old and 11 *quoad sacra* parishes, with parts of others. Of these 33 parishes 12 are in the presbytery of Fordyce and synod of Aberdeen, 7 in the presbytery of Strathbogie and synod of Moray, and the remainder are distributed among the presbyteries of Aberlour, Turriff, Abernethy, and Alford. The United Presbyterians have a presbytery of Banffshire, whose 11 churches had 1360 members in 1891. In the year ending 30 Sept. 1891 the county had 83 schools (74 of them public), which, with accommodation for 15,012 scholars, had 13,022 on the registers, and 10,270 in average attendance, whilst the certificated, assistant, and pupil teachers numbered 168, 26, and 71.

The territory now constituting Banffshire belonged anciently to the Caledonian Vacomagi, who had towns near Boharn and at Burghhead. Numerous cairns, standing stones, and other relics of the ancient Caledonians are in various parts. It has been thought that a Roman road traversed the northern main body of the county, and that Roman stations were formed at Deskford and on or near the site of Gordon Castle. The Danes made repeated descents on the territory, suffered, according to tradition, great defeats at Rathven and Mortlach, and have left some vestiges. The chief historic event, however, with which this county is certainly connected, was the battle of Glenlivet (1594). Mediæval castles, either fairly entire, or represented only by small remains, are at Balvenie, Auchindoun, Findlater, Boharn, and Banff. An ancient church, claiming to have been once a cathedral, is in Mortlach; and another old church, with old historic associations, in Gamrie.

Banffshire Railway, a railway in Banffshire, from the Grange station of the Great North of Scotland main line, 16½ miles north-eastward to Banff, with a branch of 3½ miles from Tillynaught to Portsoy. Authorised in 1857, it was opened in August 1859. An extension of the line to Port-Gordon and Elgin has since been carried out.

Bangholm Junction, a brief branch of the Caledonian railway system in the north-western vicinity of Edinburg, connecting the Caledonian system with the Leith branch of the North British. It is only ¼ mile long, and was authorised in 1865, on a capital of £15,300 in shares and £5000 on loan.

Bangour, an estate in Ecclesmachan parish, Linlithgowshire, in the western vicinity of Uphall. It belonged for many generations to the Hamiltons, and gave designation to the distinguished Scottish poet William Hamill-

ton (1704-54), author of the *Brace of Yarrow*. It is now the seat of Geo. Mitchell-Innes, Esq.

Bank Burn, a small affluent of the river Ayr in Sorn parish, Ayrshire. A cave adjacent to it gave frequent shelter to the famous Alexander Peden in the times of the persecution.

Bankend, a village on the E border of Caerlaverock parish, Dumfriesshire, and on the right bank of Lochar Water, 6 miles SSE of Dumfries, under which it has a post office.

Bankend, a hamlet in Kirkgunzeon parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, contiguous to Kirkgunzeon village.

Bankfoot. See AUCHTERGAVEN.

Bankhead, a railway station in Carnwath parish, Lanarkshire, on the Carstairs and Dolphinton branch of the Caledonian, 2 miles E of Carstairs Junction.

Bankhead, a village in Newbills parish, Aberdeenshire, with a population in 1891 of 699.

Bankhead, an estate, with a mansion, in Rutherglen parish, Lanarkshire.

Bankhead. See MONKIE.

Bankhead, a village in Wick parish, Caithness, within Wick parliamentary burgh.

Bankhead, a colliery village on the mutual border of Dreghorn and Kilmarnock parishes, Ayrshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Kilmarnock town. Pop. (1871) 1170, (1881) 1266, (1891) 1501.

Bankhead, a hamlet in Denny parish, Stirlingshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by W of Denny town.

Bankier (Celt. *ban-caer*, 'white fort'), a hamlet on the southern border of Denny parish, Stirlingshire, and on Bonny Water, 2 miles S by E of Denny town. Near it are a distillery and circular places, said to be sites of Caledonian camps.

Banknock, a collier hamlet in Denny parish, Stirlingshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Denny town. Three seams of coal here yield large output both for consumption in the neighbourhood and for exportation. At Banknock House, Rosa Bonheur, the distinguished French animal painter, was a guest in 1856.

Banks, a place in Old Deer parish, Aberdeenshire, with a public school, which in 1891 had accommodation for 100 children, an average attendance of 84, and a grant of £72, 11s. Pop. 377.

Banks, a village in Mouswald parish, Dumfriesshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE by E of Dumfries.

Banks, East and West, two hamlets near Wick, Caithness.

Bankton, a former mansion of Tranent parish, Haddingtonshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Tranent station, and at the south-western verge of the battlefield of Prestonpans. It was the seat of Colonel Gardiner, who fell in the action, and afterwards of Andrew Maedowall, advocate, who, on his promotion to the bench, took hence the title of Lord Bankton; but it was totally destroyed by fire, 27 Nov. 1852.

Bannachra or Benuchara, a hamlet near the southern border of Luss parish, Dumbartonshire, on Fruin Water, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Helensburgh. It lies near the scene of a sanguinary conflict between the Colquhouns and Macgregors in 1602; and it contains the ruins of an old fortalice of the Colquhouns. Bannachra Muir ascends from the southern vicinity of the hamlet to a height of 1028 feet.

Bannatyne. See PORT BANNATYNE.

Bannavie. See BANAVIE.

Bannock Burn (Gael. *ban-chnoc-burn*, 'stream of the white knoll'), a rivulet of St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire. It rises, at an altitude of 1250 feet, between Touchadam Hill (1343 feet) and Earl's Hill (1443), and winds about 14 miles east-north-eastward, past Bannockburn town, to the Forth at a point $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Stirling. 'In places,' Hill Burton writes, 'its banks are steep. It now has generally little volume of water, being diverted for manufacturing purposes; but among the dirty pools in its bed in the filthy manufacturing village, the multitude of large boulders brought down by it show that it has been at times a powerful stream.'

Bannockburn, a town and a *quoad sacra* parish, in the civil parish of St Ninians, Stirlingshire. The town is

$\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of Bannockburn station on the Caledonian railway, this being $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Stirling; by the Bannock rivulet it is cut into two parts, Upper and Lower Bannockburn. Only a village at the commencement of the present century, it has grown to a town through its manufactures—the spinning, dyeing, and weaving of carpets, tweeds, tartans, and kiltings, which give employment to many hundred hands, while coal is obtained in great abundance in the vicinity. There is also a tannery; a cattle and horse fair is held on the third Tuesday of June; and in the neighbourhood a number of collieries are at work at Bannockburn, Cowie, East Plean, Greenyards, and West Plean, all of them belonging to the Carboniferous Limestone series. There has recently been erected a large public hall, at a cost of £1700. Bannockburn has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, two hotels, an Established church (c. 1838), a Free church (c. 1844), a U.P. church (1797), and a public school, which, with accommodation for 501 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 381, and a grant of £343, 13s. 4d. In the presbytery of Stirling and synod of Perth and Stirling, the *quoad sacra* parish was constituted about 1838 by the ecclesiastical, reconstituted by the legal authorities in 1868; its minister's stipend is £150. Pop. of *q. s.* parish (1871) 3332, (1881) 3281, (1891) 2765; of registration district (1881) 4331, (1891) 3620; of town (1841) 2205, (1851) 2627, (1861) 2258, (1871) 2564, (1881) 2549, (1891) 2000.

The famous and decisive battle of Bannockburn was fought in the neighbourhood of the town, on Monday, June 24, 1314. The Scottish army under the Bruce, mustering 30,000 disciplined men and about half that number of disorderly attendants, first rendezvoused at the Torwood, between Falkirk and Stirling. The English army, commanded by Edward II. in person, and reported to have been in the proportion of at least three to one to that of the Scotch, approached from the side of Falkirk, and encamped on the north of Torwood. The Scottish army, meanwhile, drew nearer Stirling, and posted themselves behind the Bannock. They occupied several small eminences upon the S and W of the present village of St Ninians; their line extending in a north-easterly direction from the brook of Bannock, on which their right flank rested, to the elevated ground above St Ninians, on which their extreme left rested. Upon the summit of one of these eminences, now called Brock's Brae, is a large granite stone sunk in the earth, with a round hole, about 4 inches in diameter, and the same in depth, in which, according to tradition, Bruce's standard was fixed, and near which the royal pavilion was erected. This stone, now inclosed in an iron grating, is well known by the name of the Bored Stone. Near it, on 25 June 1870, the Dumbarton and Stirling Oddfellows erected a flagstaff, 120 feet high. 'Thus the two armies,' to quote from Nimmo's *Stirlingshire* (3d ed. 1880), 'lay facing each other, at a mile's distance, with the Bannock running in a narrow valley between them. Stirling Castle was still in the hands of the English. Edward Bruce had, in the preceding spring, besieged it for several months; but, finding himself unable to reduce it, had abandoned the enterprise. By a treaty, however, between Edward and Philip Mowbray the governor, it had been agreed, that, if the garrison received no relief from England before St John the Baptist's day, they should then surrender to the Scots. Robert was much dissatisfied with his brother's terms; but, to save his honour, confirmed the treaty. The day before the battle, a body of cavalry, to the number of 800, was detached from the English camp, under the conduct of Sir Robert Clifford, to the relief of the castle. These, having marched through low grounds upon the edge of the Carse, had passed the Scottish army on their left before they were observed. The King himself was among the first to perceive them; and, desiring his nephew, Randolph, who commanded the left wing, to turn his eyes towards the quarter where they were making their appearance, in the crofts N of St Ninians, said to him angrily, "Thoughtless man! you have suffered the

enemy to pass. A rose has this day fallen from your chaplet!" Randolph, feeling the reproof severely, instantly pursued them with 500 foot; and coming up with them in the plain, where the modern village of Newhouse stands, commenced a sharp action in sight of both armies, and of the castle. Clifford's squadron wheeling round, and placing their spears in rest, charged the Scots at full speed; but Randolph, having formed his infantry into a square with their spears protended on every side, and resting on the ground, successfully repelled the first fierce onset, and successive charges equally desperate. Much valour was displayed on both sides; and it was for some time doubtful who should obtain the victory. Bruce, attended by several of his officers, beheld this rencounter from a rising ground supposed to be the round hill immediately W of St Ninians, now called Cockshot Hill. Douglas, perceiving the jeopardy of his brave friend, asked leave to hasten with a reinforcement to his support. This the king at first refused; but, upon his afterwards consenting, Douglas put his soldiers in motion. Perceiving, however, on the way, that Randolph was on the point of victory, he stopped short, that they who had long fought so hard might enjoy undivided glory. The English were entirely defeated with great slaughter. Among the slain was William d'Eyncourt, a knight and commander of great renown, who had fallen in the beginning of the action. The loss of the Scots was very inconsiderable; some asserted that it amounted only to a single yeoman. Randolph and his company, covered with dust and glory, returned to the camp, amidst acclamations of joy. To perpetuate the memory of the victory, two large stones were erected in the field—where they are still to be seen—at the N end of the village of Newhouse, about a quarter of a mile from the S port of Stirling. Another incident happened in the same day, which contributed greatly to inspire the Scots forces. King Robert, according to Barbour, was ill mounted, carrying a battle-axe, and, on his bassinet-helmet, wearing, for distinction, a crown. Thus externally distinguished, he was riding upon a little palfrey, in front of his foremost line, regulating their order; when an English knight, who was ranked among the bravest in Edward's army, Sir Henry de Bohun, came galloping furiously up to him, to engage him in single combat, expecting by this act of chivalry to end the contest and gain immortal fame. But the enterprising champion, having missed his blow, was instantly struck dead by the king, who, raising himself in his stirrups as his assailant passed, with one blow of his battle-axe cleft his head in two, shivering the handle of his own weapon with the violence of the blow. The incident is thus recorded by Barbour, the best edition of whose *Brus* is by Cosmo Innes (Spalding Club, 1857):—

“And quhen Glosyster and Herfurd war
With thair bataill, approachand ner,
Befor thaim all thar com ryndand,
With helm on heid, and sper in hand
Schyr Henry the Boune, the worthi,
That wes a wecht knyght, and a hardy;
And to the Erie off Herfurd cusyne;
Armst in armys gud and fyne;
Come on a sted, a bow schote ner,
Befor all othyr that thar wer:
And knew the King, for that he saw
Him swa rang his men on raw;
And by the crowne, that wes set
Alsua upon his bassynet.
And towart him he went in hy,
And [quhen] the King sua apertly
Saw him cum, forouth all his feris,
In hy till him the hors he steris.
And quhen Schyr Henry saw the King
Cum on, for owtyn abaying,
Till him he raid in full gret by.
He thought that he sud weill lychtly
Wyn him, and haf him at his will,
Sen he him horsyt saw sa ill.
Sprent thair samyn in till a ling
Schyr Henry myssit the noble king,
And he, that in his steryngs stund,
With the ax that wes hard and gud,
With sa gret mayne raucht him a dynt,
That nothyr hat na helm mycht stunt
The hewy dusche that he him gawe,
That ner the heid till the harnys clawe.

The hand ax schaft fruschit in twa;
And he doume to the erd gan ga
All flatlyns, for him faillyt mycht.
This was the fryst strak off the fycht.”

The Scottish chiefs blamed Bruce for thus risking the army's safety in his own, and Bruce had no answer to make, though, according to some histories, he flippantly evaded further censure by affecting to be chiefly concerned for the loss of his trusty battle-axe; but the doughty achievement raised his adherents' spirits as much as it depressed their adversaries.

The day was now far spent, and as Edward did not seem inclined to press a general engagement, but had drawn off to the low grounds to the right and rear of his original position, the Scots army passed the night in arms upon the field. Next morning, being Monday, the 24th of June, all was early in motion on both sides. Religious sentiments in the Scots were mingled with military ardour. Solemn mass was said by Maurice, abbot of Inchaffray; who also administered the sacrament to the king and the great officers about him, while inferior priests did the same to the rest of the army. Then, after a sober repast, they formed in order of battle, in a tract of ground, now known as Nether Touchadam, which lies along the declivity of a gently rising hill, about a mile due S of Stirling Castle. This situation had been previously chosen on account of its advantages. Upon the right, they had a range of steep rocks, whither the baggage-men had retired, and which, from this circumstance, has been called Gillies' or Servants' Hill. In their front were the steep banks of the rivulet of Bannock. Upon the left lay a morass, now called Milton Bog, from its vicinity to the small village of that name. Much of this bog is still undrained; and part of it is now a mill-pond. As it was then the middle of summer, it was almost quite dry; but Robert had recourse to a stratagem, to prevent any attack from that quarter. He had, some time before, ordered numbers of pits to be dug in the morass and the fields on the left, and covered with green turf supported by stakes, so as to exhibit the appearance of firm ground. These pits were a foot in breadth, and from 2 to 3 feet deep, and placed so close together as to resemble the cells in a honeycomb. It does not appear, however, that the English attempted to charge over this dangerous ground during the conflict, the great struggle being made considerably to the right of this ground. He also made calthorps be scattered there; some of which have been found in the memory of people yet alive. By these means, added to the natural strength of the ground, the Scottish army stood as within an intrenchment. Barbour, who wrote about 50 years later, mentions a park with trees, through which the English had to pass before they could attack the Scots; and says, that Robert chose this situation, that, besides other advantages, the trees might prove an impediment to the enemy's cavalry. The improvements of agriculture, and other accidents, have, in the lapse of five centuries, much altered the face of this as well as other parts of the country; vestiges, however, of the park still remain, and numerous stumps of trees are seen all around the field where the battle was fought. A farm-house, situated almost in the middle, goes by the name of the Park; and a mill built upon the S bank of the rivulet, nearly opposite to where the centre of Robert's army stood, is known by the name of Park Mill. The Scottish army was drawn up in four divisions, and their front extended near a mile in length. The right wing, which was upon the highest ground, and was strengthened by a body of cavalry under Keith, Marschal of Scotland, was commanded by Edward Bruce, the king's brother. The left was posted on the low grounds, near the morass, under the direction of Walter, Lord-High-Steward, and Sir James Douglas, both of whom had that morning been knighted by their sovereign. Bruce himself took the command of the reserve, which was drawn up immediately behind the centre. Along with him was a body of 500 cavalry well armed and mounted; all the rest of the Scottish army were on foot. The enemy were fast ap-

preaching in three great bodies, led on by the English monarch in person, and by the Earls of Hereford and Gloucester, who were ranked among the best generals that England could then produce. Their centre was formed of infantry, and the wings of cavalry, many of whom were armed cap-à-pie. Squadrons of archers were also planted upon the wings, and at certain distances along the front. Edward was attended by two knights, Sir Giles de Argentine and Sir Aymer de Valence, who rode, according to the phrase of those days, at his bridle. That monarch, who had imagined that the Scots would never face his formidable host, was much astonished when he beheld their order and determined resolution to give him battle. As he expressed his surprise, Sir Ingram Umfraville took the opportunity of suggesting a plan likely to insure a cheap and bloodless victory. He counselled him to make a feint of retreating with the whole army, till they had got behind their tents; and, as this would tempt the Scots from their ranks for the sake of plunder, to turn about suddenly, and fall upon them. The counsel was rejected. Edward thought there was no need of stratagem to defeat so small a handful. Among the occurrences of this great day, historians mention one memorable episode. As the two armies were on the point of engaging, the abbot of Inchaffray, barefoot and crucifix in his hand, walked slowly along the Scottish line, when they all fell down on their knees in act of devotion. The enemy observing their posture, concluded that they were frightened into submission. "See!" cried Edward, "they are kneeling; they crave mercy!" "They do, my liege," replied Umfraville; "but it is from God, not us." "To the charge, then!" Edward cried; and Gloucester and Hereford threw themselves impetuously upon the right wing of the Scots, which received them firmly; while Randolph pressed forward with the centre of the Scottish army upon the main body of the English. They rushed furiously upon the enemy, and met with a warm reception. The ardour of one of the Scottish divisions had carried them too far, and occasioned their being sorely galled by a body of 10,000 English archers who attacked them in flank. These, however, were soon dispersed by Sir Robert Keith, whom the King had despatched with the reserve of 500 horse, and who, fetching a circuit round Milton Bog, suddenly charged the left flank and rear of the English bowmen, who having no weapons fit to defend themselves against horse, were instantly thrown into disorder, and chased from the field:—

"The Inglis archeris schot sa fast,
That mycht thair schot haff ony last,
It had been hard to Scottis men.
Bot King Robert, that wale gan ken
That thair archeris war perousous,
And thair schot rycht hard and grewous,
Ordanyt, foronth the assamble,
Hys marschell with a gret menyne,
Eyre hundre amynt in to stele.
That on lycht horse war horsyt welle,
For to pryk among the archeris;
And swa assaile thaim with thair speris,
That thair na layser thaim to schute.
This marschell that Ik of mute,
That Schyr Robert of Kerth was cauld,
As Ik befor her has yow tauld,
Quhen he saw the battailis swa
Assembill, and to gidder ga,
And saw the archeris schoyt stontly;
With all thaim of his company,
In hy apon thaim gan he rid;
And our tuk thaim at a sid;
And ruschyt among thaim sa rudly,
Stekand thaim sa dispoitously,
And in sic fusoun berand down,
And slayand thaim, for owyn ransoun,
That thair thaim scalyt eurriliane.
And fra that tyme forth thar was nane
That assemblyt schot to ma.
Quhen Scottis archeris saw that thair
War rebutyt, thair wox hardy,
And with all thair mycht schoyt egrelly
Among the hors men, that thair maid;
And woundis wid to thaim thair maid;
And slew of thaim a full gret dele."

—*Barbour's Brus*, Book ix., v. 228.

A strong body of the enemy's cavalry charged the right wing, which Edward Bruce commanded, with such irre-

sistible fury, that he had been quite overpowered, had not Randolph, who appears to have then been unemployed, hastened to his assistance. The battle was now at the hottest; and it was yet uncertain how the day would go. Bruce had brought up his whole reserve; but the English continued to charge with unabated vigour, while the Scots received them with an inflexible intrepidity, each individual fighting as if victory depended on his single arm. An occurrence—which some represent as an accidental sally of patriotic enthusiasm, others as a premeditated stratagem of Robert's—suddenly altered the face of affairs, and contributed greatly to victory. Above 15,000 servants and attendants of the Scottish army had been ordered, before the battle, to retire, with the baggage, behind the adjoining hill; but having, during the engagement, arranged themselves in a martial form, some on foot and others mounted on the baggage-horses, they marched to the top, and displaying, on long poles, white sheets instead of banners, descended towards the field with hideous shouts. The English, taking them for a fresh reinforcement of the foe, were seized with so great a panic that they gave way in much confusion. Buchanan says, that the English King was the first that fled; but in this contradicts all other historians, who affirm that Edward was among the last in the field. Nay, according to some accounts, he would not be persuaded to retire, till Aymer de Valence, seeing the day lost, took hold of his bridle, and led him off. Sir Giles de Argentine, the other knight who waited on Edward, accompanied him a short way off the field, till he saw him placed in safety; he then wheeled round, and putting himself at the head of a battalion made a vigorous effort to retrieve the disastrous state of affairs, but was seen overwhelmed and slain. He was a champion of high renown; and, having signalised himself in several battles with the Saracens, was reckoned the third knight of his day. The Scots pursued, and made great havoc among the enemy, especially in passing the river, where, from the irregularity of the ground, they could not preserve the smallest order. A mile from the field of battle, a small bit of ground goes by the name of Bloody Field, where, according to tradition, a party of the English faced about and made a stand, but, after sustaining dreadful slaughter, were forced to continue their flight. This account corresponds to several histories of the Earl of Gloucester. Seeing the rout of his countrymen, he made an effort to renew the battle, at the head of his military tenants, and, after having personally done much execution, was, with most of his party, cut to pieces. The Scottish writers make the enemy's loss, in the battle and pursuit, 50,000, and their own 4,000. Among the latter, Sir William Vipont and Sir Walter Ross were the only persons of distinction. A preparation almost incredible! The slain on the English side were all decently interred by Bruce's order, who, even in the heat of victory, could not refrain from shedding tears over several who had been his intimate friends. The corpse of the Earl of Gloucester was carried that night to the church of St Ninians, where it lay, till with that of Sir Robert Clifford, it was sent to the English monarch. Twenty-seven English barons, 200 knights, and 700 esquires, fell in the field; the number of prisoners also was very great; and amongst them were many of high rank, who were treated with the utmost civility. The remnant of the vanquished was scattered all over the country. Many ran to the castle; and not a few, attempting the Forth, were drowned. The Earl of Hereford, the surviving general, retreated with a large body towards Bothwell, and threw himself, with a few of the chief officers, into that castle, which was then garrisoned by the English. Being hard pressed, he surrendered; and was soon exchanged against Bruce's queen and daughter, and some others of his friends, who had been captive eight years in England. King Edward escaped with much difficulty. Retreating from the field of battle, he rode to the castle, but was told by the governor that he could not long enjoy safety there, as it could not be defended against the victors. Taking a compass, to shun the vigilance of the Scots, he made

the best of his way homeward, accompanied by fifteen noblemen and a body of 500 cavalry. He was closely pursued above forty miles by Sir James Douglas, who, with a party of light horse, kept upon his rear, and was often very near him. How hard he was put to, may be guessed from a vow which he made in his flight, to build and endow a religious house in Oxford, should it please God to favour his escape. He was on the point of being made prisoner, when he was received into the castle of Dunbar by Gospatrick, Earl of March, who was in the English interest. Douglas waited a few days in the neighbourhood, in expectation of his attempting to go home by land. He expected, however, by sea in a fisherman's boat. His stay at Dunbar had been very short. Three days after the battle, he issued a proclamation from Berwick, announcing the loss of his seal, and forbidding all persons to obey any order proceeding from it, without some other evidence of that order's being his.

'The riches obtained by the plunder of the English,' says Mr Tytler, 'and the subsequent ransom paid for the multitude of the prisoners, must have been very great. Their exact amount cannot be easily estimated, but some idea of its greatness may be formed by the tone of deep lamentation assumed by the Monk of Malmesbury. "O day of vengeance and of misfortune!" he exclaims, "day of disgrace and perdition! unworthy to be included in the circle of the year, which tarnished the fame of England, and enriched the Scots with the plunder of the precious stuffs of our nation, to the extent of two hundred thousand pounds. Alas! of how many noble barons, and accomplished knights, and high-spirited young soldiers,—of what a store of excellent arms, and golden vessels, and costly vestments, did one short and miserable day deprive us!" Two hundred thousand pounds of money in those times amounts to about six hundred thousand pounds weight of silver, or nearly three millions of our present money. The loss of the Scots in the battle was incredibly small, and proves how effectually the Scottish squares had repelled the English cavalry.' See also chaps. xxiii., xxiv. of Hill Burton's *History of Scotland*, and R. White's *Battle of Bannockburn*.

Banovie, a rivulet traversing the grounds of Blair Castle, in Blair Athole parish, Perthshire.

Bantaskine, an estate, with a mansion, in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire. The mansion stands on an elevated spot, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Falkirk town, is modern, substantial, and elegant; has richly wooded grounds; and commands a splendid view.

Banton, a village in Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles NE by E of Kilsyth town. It has a post office under Denny, and it is inhabited principally by colliers and ironstone miners. Low Banton hamlet lies $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the S, and $\frac{1}{4}$ further SSE is a chapel of ease, erected in 1850 into the church of a *quoad sacra* parish. A public school, with accommodation for 183 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 107, and a grant of £112, 10s. 6d. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 771.

Bara, an ancient parish of S Haddingtonshire, now annexed to GARVALD.

Bara, Aberdeenshire and Inverness-shire. See BARRA.

Barachan, a creek in Kilfinichen parish, island of Mull, Argyllshire, penetrating the Ross peninsula from the Sound of Iona. It affords safe anchorage for vessels of considerable burden.

Barachuis, a village on the W border of Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, 1 mile W of Baillieston, and $\frac{1}{4}$ E of Glasgow.

Barassie, a railway station on the coast of Ayrshire, on the Troon and Kilmarnock railway, 1 mile NNE of Troon, and 8 SW of Kilmarnock.

Barbaraville, a village in Kilmuir-Easter parish, Ross-shire. Its post-town is Invergordon, a railway station post office.

Barbaswalls, a hamlet in Ruthven parish, Forfarshire, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles N of Meigle.

Barbauchlaw, a coalfield in Bathgate parish, Linlithgowshire, and a rivulet of Lanark and Linlithgow shires.

The coalfield lies on the right bank of the rivulet, a little SW of Armadale. The rivulet has a north-easterly course; rises and runs 3 miles in Shotts parish; goes $\frac{1}{2}$ miles along the boundary between the two counties; proceeds $\frac{3}{4}$ miles along the boundary between Bathgate and Torphichen parishes; and unites with Ballencreeff Water to form the Luggie, which soon falls into the Avon. It is rich in trout; is ascended by salmon for spawning; and, till a recent period, was a haunt of the otter.

Barber or **Barbour**, a hamlet on the W side of Rosneath parish, Dumbartonshire, adjacent to Loch Long, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles N by W of Kilerreggan.

Barbieston, a modernised ancient fortalice in the neighbourhood of Dalrymple village, Ayrshire.

Barbreck, an estate, with the seat of Admiral Colin Yorke Campbell (10,369 acres, £2461 per annum), and with a girls' public school, in the NE of Craignish parish, Argyllshire, 14 miles NNW of Lochgilhead. Barbreck valley here is traversed by a brook down to the head of Loch Craignish; seems, at a recent period, to have been under the sea; is said to have been the scene of a battle between the Dalriadans and the Norsemen, fatal to a Scandinavian prince of the name of Olave; and contains a tumulus, which is alleged to mark that prince's grave.

Barcaldine, an estate in Ardochattan parish, Argyllshire. It lies along all the southern side of Loch Creran, and extends, at one point on the S, nearly to Loch Etive, is about 12 miles long, and measures some 20,000 acres in area. The estate belonged formerly to Sir Alexander Campbell, Bart. It has an annual value of about £2000. Barcaldine Castle, the old residence on it, was built in the 15th century by Sir Duncan Campbell of Glenorchy, and stands on a rising ground near the mouth of Loch Creran; Barcaldine House, the present residence, is a modern and commodious edifice, and stands among wooded grounds 5 miles further up, and $\frac{9}{4}$ miles N by W of Taynult. See ARDOCHATTAN.

Barcaple, an estate, with a mansion, in Tongland parish, Kirkcudbrightshire.

Barclosh, a ruined ancient castle in Kirkcudbright parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, contiguous to a hill of its own name, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Dalbeattie. It belonged to Lord Herries, who figured conspicuously in the time of Queen Mary.

Barcloy, a hamlet in Colvend parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, near the mouth of Urr Water, $\frac{5}{8}$ miles S by E of Dalbeattie. An eminence, called Castlehill of Barcloy, flanks the E side of the Urr's mouth, and has remains of an ancient circular encampment.

Bardennock, a burn in Keir parish, Dumfriesshire, running eastward to the Nith. It traverses a ravine, covered with fine trees, and adorned with pleasure-walks, and it makes a very beautiful waterfall.

Bardhead, a bold promontory, about 200 feet high, at the S end of Bressay island, Shetland.

Bardock, a head-stream of the river Don, in Strathdon parish, Aberdeenshire.

Baradowie. See BALDERNOCK.

Baremann, an estate, with a mansion, in Rosneath parish, Dumbartonshire. The mansion stands near Gareloch, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of Rosneath village, and commands a magnificent view. Slate is quarried on the estate.

Bargaly, an estate, with the seat of Jn. M'Kie, Esq. (10,850 acres, £2532 per annum), in Minnigaff parish, W Kirkcudbrightshire, 7 miles ENE of Newton-Stewart.

Bargany, an estate and a mansion in Dailly parish, Ayrshire, on the left bank of Girvan Water, $\frac{4}{4}$ miles NE of Girvan. The property of the Earl of Stair, through his Countess, a daughter of the Duc de Coigny, and a grand-daughter of Sir Hew Dalrymple-Hamilton, Bart., Bargany will pass to the earl's second son. Its rental is about £12,000, and £30,000 has been expended on permanent improvements.

Bargarran, an old-fashioned mansion in Erskine parish, Renfrewshire, near the Clyde, and 2 miles E by N of Bishopston station. In 1697 it became notorious

in witchcraft annals as the scene of the 'Tragedy of Bargarran's daughter,' for which 5 persons were executed at Paisley. See Arnot's *Criminal Trials* (1785); vol. iii., p. 167, of Chambers' *Domestic Annals*; and *The Witches of Renfrewshire* (1809; new ed. 1877).

Bargatton. See BALMAGHIE.

Bargeddie, a post office village in Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Coatbridge. Here in the autumn of 1876 a church was opened for the *quoad sacra* parish of Bargeddie, which, formed in 1875, is in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. Geometrical Gothic in style, this church consists of an aisled nave, semi-octagonal transepts, and an apse, with a spire 130 feet high, stained-glass windows, etc. A sessional school, with accommodation for 220 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 218, and a grant of £209, 11s. 9d. Pop. of village including Dykehead (1881) 1393, (1891) 1344; of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 2980, (1891) 2800.

Bargrennan, a post office hamlet in Minnigaff parish, W Kirkcudbrightshire, and a *quoad sacra* parish partly also in Penninghame, Wigtonshire. The hamlet lies on the Cree's left bank, 9 miles N by W of its post-town Newton-Stewart; at it are the manse and the neat little church (1839; stipend, £190). Two public schools, Bargrennan and Knowe, with respective accommodation for 60 and 48 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 49 and 23, and grants of £55 and £35. 10s. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish, in the presbytery of Wigton and synod of Galloway, (1891) 391, of whom 182 were in Penninghame.

Barhead. See BARRHEAD.

Barhill. See BARRHILL.

Barholm, a coast estate, the property of Miss Jane H. Grant, in the SE of Kirkmabreck parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, $\frac{5}{8}$ miles SE of Creetown. The old square Tower of Barholm is fairly perfect, though uninhabited. It has been identified with the 'Ellangowan' of *Guy Mannering*, and is said to have sheltered John Knox.

Barhullion, a conspicuous hill 450 feet high, in the W of Glasserton parish, SE Wigtonshire.

Barjarg, a hamlet and an estate in Keir parish, Dumfriesshire. The hamlet stands near the river Nith, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles S of Thornhill. The estate belonged in the 16th century to the Earl of Morton; passed in 1857 to T. Grierson, Esq.; went afterwards, by marriage, to C. Erskine, Esq., advocate, who rose to the bench and took the title of Lord Tinwald; was subsequently purchased by Dr Hunter, professor of divinity in Edinburgh University, and now belongs to Wm. Francis Hunter-Arundell, owner of 1947 acres in the shire, valued at £1689 per annum. The mansion, Barjarg Tower, stands amid finely-planted grounds.

Barley Mill, in Girthon parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Gatehouse of Fleet—the humble birthplace of Thomas Faed, R.A. (b. 1826), as also of his painter brothers, James and John.

Barleyknowe, a hamlet in Newbattle parish, Edinburghshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Gorebridge.

Barleyside, a village in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire.

Barlocco, an estate, with a mansion, on the coast of Rerwick, Kirkcudbrightshire. The mansion is a curious edifice, overlooking the Solway Firth. Barlocco Bay is a small enclavement of the Solway, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Balcary Point; and Barlocco Haugh is a feature of the coast immediately W of Barlocco Bay.

Barlocco, a peninsula, insulated at high water, in the W of Borgue parish, S Kirkcudbrightshire. Lying at the SE entrance of Fleet Bay, it is $2\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs long, $1\frac{1}{2}$ broad, and 35 feet high. Two small hamlets, Barlocco and Barlocco-Croft, lie $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the NE.

Barmekin, a conical hill 800 feet high in the W of Echt parish, SE Aberdeenshire, entirely planted with Scotch fir, and crowned by remains of a prehistoric fortress, $6\frac{1}{2}$ acres in extent, with 5 concentric ramparts, not so vast as, but better preserved than, those of the Caterthun. 'Druidical' circles adjoin (vol. i., p. 85, of Hill Burton's *Hist. Scot.*

Barmill. See BIRTH.

Barmore, an estate, with a mansion, in S Knapdale parish, Argyllshire. The mansion stands on the shore of Loch Fyne, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Tarbert, and is modern, large, and elegant.

Barmure, an estate in Mauchline parish, Ayrshire. It belonged, in pre-Reformation times, to the monks of Melrose; and it passed, in 1606, to Lord Loudoun.

Barnbarroch, an estate, with a mansion of date 1780, in Kirkcubright parish, Wigtonshire, 4 miles SW of Wigton. It is the seat of Rt. Vans-Agnew, Esq., owner of 6777 acres in the shire, valued at £6997 per annum. See also COLVEND.

Barnbogle (Gael. *barr-an-boglain*, 'point of the marsh'), an ancient castle in Dalmeny parish, Linnithgowshire, within Dalmeny Park, and on the shore of the Firth of Forth, 3 miles E of South Queensferry. It belonged to the Monbrays in the 12th century, was sold in 1615 to Sir Thomas Hamilton, afterwards Earl of Haddington, and was re-sold in 1662 to Sir Archibald Primrose, Bart., who became Lord Justice General of Scotland, from whom it has descended to the Viscounts and Earls of Rosebery. Of unknown age, it stands on a projecting rock-terrace, is hid from the immediate shore by a mound or bulwark of earth, raised to protect it from encroachment of the tide, and in 1850 was entirely reconstructed according to the original plans.

Barncluth, a property in Hamilton parish, Lanarkshire, on the left side of the river Avon, a little above the town of Hamilton. A romantic dell here has, on a bold bank about 250 feet high, three dwelling-houses built about 1583 by John Hamilton, ancestor of Lord Belhaven; connected with them are an orchard, a kitchen garden, and a terraced Dutch flower garden of antique character and picturesque appearance. The property belongs now to Baron Ruthven. The name Barncluth is a corruption of Baron's Cleugh. See pp. 46, 47 of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (ed. by Prince Shairp, 1874).

Barnhill, an estate, with a hamlet and a mansion, in Kinnoull parish, Perthshire. The hamlet has a post office under Perth.

Barnhill, a village on the Links of Monifieth parish, Forfarshire, with a station on the Dundee and Forfar direct railway, 1 mile NE of BROUGHTY FERRY, and $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Dundee.

Barnhill. See BLANTYRE.

Barnhill, a former village in Barony parish, Lanarkshire, in the northern district of Glasgow, but now within the city boundaries. It contains the Barony poorhouse and hospital, and has a railway station.

Barnhill's Bed. See MINTO.

Barnhourie, a sandbank off the SE coast of Kirkcudbrightshire, from the mouth of the Urr eastward to the estuary of the Nith. It has been fatal to many vessels, especially to vessels navigated by strangers to the coast.

Barnkirk, a point, with a lighthouse, at the right or W side of the mouth of the river Annan, in Dumfriesshire.

Barnkirk, a bog in Penninghame parish, Wigtonshire, in the immediate neighbourhood of Newton-Stewart. A canoe, formed out of a single log, was exhumed here in 1814; and a ball of tallow, weighing 27 lbs., was found immediately above the canoe, at least 6 feet beneath the bog's surface.

Barnock. See AVONDALE.

Barns, an estate, with a mansion, in Cleish parish, Kinrossshire.

Barns, a dismembered estate of the Burnett family in Manor parish, Peebleshire. The ivy-clad Tower of Barns, on the Tweed, 4 miles WSW of Peebles, bears date 1498, and is still entire; the neighbouring mansion (1773) belongs now to the Earl of Wemyss.

Barns, an ancient baronial fortalice in the southern extremity of Crail parish, Fife. It belonged to the Cunninghams, and passed through various hands to the Anstruthers, but it is now so ruinous as to be only partially habitable, and that by farm servants. Drummond of Hawthornden, spending some time in it about 1620, here wrote his macaronic burlesque *Polemia Mid-dinia*, giving a satirical description of a quarrel between

the Lady of Barns and one of her neighbours; and here contracted an alliance with that lady's daughter, which was defeated by the young bride's death.

Barns, East and West, two villages in Dunbar parish, Haddingtonshire, near the North British railway, 2 and 2½ miles WSW of Dunbar town, under which West Barns has a post office. Their public schools, with respective accommodation for 106 and 191 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 90 and 185, and grants of £76, 7s. 6d. and £171, 7s.

Barnsford, a bridge on Gryfe Water, Renfrewshire, immediately below the influx of the Black Cart, 2½ miles NW of Paisley.

Barnshean, a lake (3 × 1½ furl.) in Kirkmichael parish, Ayrshire, 3 miles ENE of Kirkmichael village.

Barnside, a hill 865 feet high in Abbey St Bathans parish, Berwickshire.

Barnslee, an estate, with a mansion, in Markinch parish, Fife. The mansion stands ½ mile E of Markinch village, was called originally Dalginch, afterwards Brunton; and is said to occupy the site of a castle of Maeduff, Thane of Fife. An absurd popular tradition alleges that a subterranean passage goes from it, nearly 3 miles, to Maiden Castle.

Barns of Ayr, a temporary barrack or encampment, formed by the forces of Edward I. of England, in Ayr parish, Ayrshire, on the SE side of the town of Ayr, or near the site of the present Townhead quarry, and contiguous to the line of the Roman road from Ayr to Galloway. It had been the scene of many a bloody deed on the part of the English invaders; but on a night of May 1297, when its garrison slept after a deep carouse, it was surprised and fired by Sir William Wallace and 50 of his followers. Approaching it stealthily, he placed a cordon of men around it, heaped combustibles against its walls, and fired it so effectively that it burst at once into a blaze. The startled sleepers, to the number of some 500, either perished in the flames or were impaled on the swords of their assailants. Wallace retired while the fire was burning, and looking back from a neighbouring hill, thereafter known as Barweel or Burnweel, exclaimed to his followers, 'The Barns of Ayr burn weel.' Such, at least, is the story told by tradition, firmly believed by the local population, confidently repeated by every history of the deeds of Wallace, and in part confirmed by the *Scalacronica*, written by Sir Thomas de Grey about the middle of the 14th century. See the Marquess of Bute's *Burning of the Barns of Ayr* (Paisley, 1878).

Barnalaloch, a quadam ancient castle in Langholm parish, Dumfriesshire, on a rocky precipice above the river Esk, near Staplegorton. A burgh of barony rose around it, and had a great annual fair which eventually was transferred to the town of Langholm.

Barneton, a mansion in Cramond parish, Edinburghshire, near the river Almond, 4½ miles WNW of Edinburgh. It stands on or near the site of Cramond Regis, an ancient hunting-seat of Scotland's kings; and, till recently the seat of the Ramsays of Barneton, it now belongs to Sir Jas. Ramsay-Gibson Maitland, who, born in 1848, succeeded as fourth Bart. (ere. 1818) in 1876. A magnificent park of nearly 400 acres surrounds it. See CLIFTON HALL.

Barnwell, an ancient parish in Kyle district, Ayrshire, divided in the 17th century between Craigie and Tarbolton.

Barnyards, a hamlet in Kileonquhar parish, Fife, near Kileonquhar village.

Barochan, an estate, with an old mansion, in the NE of Honston parish, Renfrewshire. It belonged from the time of Alexander III. to the family of Fleming, seven of whom fell on the field of Flodden, and it contains an ancient monument, Barochan Cross. This is a sculptured stone cross, set on a pedestal of undressed stone, and measuring about 11 feet in height from the ground; it has been a subject of much discussion among antiquaries. Local tradition regards it as a memorial of a defeat sustained here by the Danes; but Hamilton of Wishaw's *Description of the Shires of Ren-*

frew and Lanark (Maitland Club), where it is figured, conjectures it to commemorate the defeat here, in 1164, of Somerled, Lord of the Isles. Many stone coffins, containing quantities of human bones, have been found in its neighbourhood.

Barochan-Mill, a hamlet in Houston parish, Renfrewshire, 1 mile NW of Barochan House, and 1¼ N of Houston village.

Barone-Hill, a hill on the E side of the Isle of Bute, which, rising 532 feet above sea-level, looks down on Rothesay town and bay, and commands a magnificent prospect.

Barony. See GLASGOW.

Barr (Gael. 'point' or 'upper part'), a village and a parish of Carrick, 8 Ayrshire. The village lies in the NW, on the left bank of the Stinchar and the right of the confluent Water of Gregg, 8 miles ESE of its post-town Girvan, and 5½ SE of Killochau station. At it are two inns, a post office, the 17th century parish church (390 sittings), and a Free church; the ruins of 'Kirk Domine,' a pre-Reformation chapel, stand 1½ mile lower down the valley.

The parish is bounded NE by Dailly and Straiton, SE by Minnigaff in Kirkcubrightshire, SW by Colmonell, and NW by Girvan and Dailly. It has an extreme length from E to W of 13½ miles, an extreme breadth from N to S of 10 miles, and an area of 55,190½ acres, of which 31½ are water. Besides innumerable burns, each with its pretty waterfall or two, three principal streams here take their rise—the STINCHAR, flowing first some 6 miles N by W near or upon the NE boundary, then 14 WSW through the interior, thus parting the parish into two unequal portions (by much the larger that to the S), and passing into Colmonell on its way to the sea at Ballantrae; the crystal CREE, which, issuing from Loch Moan, for 4½ miles traces the SE frontier; and the Water of MINNOCH, running 4½ miles southward from Rowantree Hill, and entering Minnigaff, there to fall into the Cree. Loch Moan (6½ × 3 furl.) lies just upon the SE border; and on the SW are the smaller Lochs Farroch, Congart, and Goosey; in the interior, Lochs Aldinna, Scalloch, and Dinmurehie, with half-a-dozen still more tiny tarns. The surface is less than 300 feet above sea-level in the furthest W, but rises rapidly eastward, to Kirkland Hill (971 feet), Auchensoul (1028), Moll of Miljoen (1164), Milton (823), Jedburgh (1172), Whiterow Seours (1370), Lennie (1181), and the Tappins (1163)—all to the right or N of the Stinchar. To its left are Knockodhar (767 feet), Drumnellie (1121), Cairn Hill (1571), Balsbaig (1047), Larg (1441), Balloch (1168), Haggis (1709), Polmadie (1802), Rowantree (1811), Pinbreck (1133), Eldrick (1593), Black Hill (1425), Shalloch (1777), and Shalloch on Minnoch (2520), the Stinchar's source. This last is the highest summit of both parish and shire, though dominated by its southward prolongations, Kirriereoch (2562), which culminates just beyond the SE border, and MERRICK (2764) in Minnigaff beyond. Lastly, in the SW, are Cairn Hill (1571 feet), Knockinlochie (1057), Knapps (1053), Pindonnan (1097), Standard (867), and Garlefin (744). The chief formation is the Lower Silurian, giving striking evidence of glacial action; barely a fiftieth of the whole area is cultivated, and less than as much again is cultivable, the rest being solitary moss and moorland, with nothing but rocks and heather, yet furnishing good pasturage for sheep. There are many memories of hunted Covenanters; and Dinmurehie farm, near the village, was the birthplace of James Dalrymple (1619-95), first Viscount Stair and author of *Institutions of the Law of Scotland*. The Marquis of Ailsa is the great proprietor, but 6 others hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 8 of between £100 and £500, 3 of from £50 to £100, and 3 of £20 to £50. Barr is in the presbytery of Ayr and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; its minister's income is £333. Two public schools, at the village and at Clashgulloch (3 miles ENE), with respective accommodation for 133 and 42 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 47 and 16, and grants of £52, 4s. 6d. and £30, 11s. 6d. Valuation £15,103. Pop. (1801) 742,

(1841) 950, (1861) 910, (1871) 672, (1881) 600, (1891) 549.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 8, 1863.

Barr, a stream of Killeen parish, Kintyre, Argyllshire. It rises on the NE side of Cruach Mhìe-an-t-Saor (1195 feet), and runs 8½ miles S by W and SW to the Atlantic, which it enters 1½ mile S by E of Glencardeoh Point. It contains salmon and trout, and is preserved.

Barr, a hill in St Mungo parish, Dumfriesshire, situated at the side of the river Milk.

Barr, an estate, with a mansion, in Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire. The mansion stands in the south-western vicinity of Lochwinnoch village; and was rebuilt, in the latter part of last century, on the site of a previous mansion. An oblong, four-story, roofless tower, stands on an eminence near the mansion; has both slits for arrows and ports for guns; and appears, from the style of its architecture, to have been built in the 15th century. A lake lay adjacent, but has been drained.

Barra. See BOURTIE.

Barra or Barry, an island and an insular parish of the Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. The island, measuring at the nearest, lies 4½ miles SSW of South Uist, 13 NNE of Barra Head in Bernera, 36 W of Rum, and 58 W by N of Arisaig. It has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments; a ferry-boat, with the mails, plies twice a week from Polachar Inn, South Uist; and a weekly steamer calls at Bayherivagh and Castle. The island's length from N to S is about 8 miles, and its greatest breadth is 5; but its outline is exceedingly irregular, broken by headlands and inlets. The western coast includes two or three sandy bays, but elsewhere presents to the Atlantic a series of high rocky cliffs, torn with fissures and pierced with caves. The eastern coast also is both sandy and rocky, but includes several bays, which serve as good harbours. The surface comprises some low rich meadow land, and fertile vales and hollows, but mainly consists of high hills, clothed to the top with good pasture. Springs of excellent fresh water are plentiful; and there are four freshwater lakes, none much exceeding ½ mile in length, and all stocked with small black trout and eels. The prevailing rock is coarse granite. Barra House, a commanding modern mansion, stands at Eoligary, in a sheltered situation, and is surrounded by highly improved lands. Kismull Castle, the ancient residence of the McNeills of Barra, crowns a rocky islet, in the middle of a beautiful bay, at the southern end of the island, and is a structure some 60 feet high, with a square corner tower overtopping the rest of the wall. Numerous standing stones and Scandinavian 'duns,' or watch towers, with several ruined pre-Reformation chapels, are on the island; but one stone Celtic monument found its way in 1880 to the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum. This, 6 feet high, is sculptured with a cross, crozier-bearing figures of the four Evangelists, a lion, and two strange stork-like figures, who are pecking out the eyes of a human head. Pop. (1841) 1977, (1861) 1591, (1871) 1753, (1881) 1887, (1891) 2131.

The parish includes also the inhabited islands of Watersa, Sandera, Pabba, Mingala, Bernera, Helesa, Fladda, and Fuda, and upwards of twelve uninhabited islets. Comparatively compact, its islands and islets are separated from one another only by narrow sounds or straits; and it extends south-south-westward in the same direction as the main body of the Outer Hebrides, and looks on the map as if forming a tail to that great lizard-shaped group. Its greatest length, from the northern extremity of Fuda, a little N of Barra island to Barra Head, in Bernera, is 24 miles; its greatest breadth across Barra to adjacent islets is 8 miles; and its area is 22,212 acres. The property all belonged to the McNeills from time immemorial till 1840, was then sold to Colonel Gordon of Cluny, and now belongs to Sir Reginald Cathcart, Bart. About 3922 acres of the entire area are arable land, 1541 machir or sandy ground, 470½ moss or meadow, and 16,139½ hill pasture. Fishing banks extend from the mouth of Loch Boisdale to Barra Head, and give a great yield of cod and ling. So many as

about 80 boats, manned by 400 hands, belonging to the parish, are usually employed in the fishery. Limpets, mussels, cockles, whelks, clams, razor-fish, lobsters, and crabs also abound on the coasts, and are taken in great quantity. Cockles, in particular, have been taken off the sands at low water, to the amount of from 100 to 200 horse-loads every day of the spring tide in the months of May, June, July, and August; and have, in times of scarcity, formed no mean part of the subsistence of the inhabitants. Some of the straits or narrow sounds among the islands have capacity, depth, and shelter to serve as harbours of refuge for ships of any burden; and two of them, Ottivore in the far N and Flodda a little more to the S, are much frequented by ships to and from the Baltic. Barra Head, in the extreme S, directs ships outward on the fair way to America; and is surmounted by a lighthouse, built in 1833 for £13,087, of a beautiful granite found close at hand. The lighthouse rises to an altitude of 680 feet above the level of high water; shows an intermittent light eclipsed during half a minute, bursting brightly into view, continuing in sight for half a minute, and visible at the distance of 33 nautical miles; and, notwithstanding its great elevation, is overarched by sea-spray during high westerly winds. Frequent communication is maintained by boats or small vessels with the Clyde. A cattle fair is held on the Friday before the third Wednesday of July, and on the Friday in September before South Uist. This parish is in the presbytery of Uist and synod of Glenelg; its minister's income is £195. The manse was built in 1816, and the parish church near it, in the centre of Barra island, was built about 1834, and contains 250 sittings. There is also a Roman Catholic church, St Barr's (1858; 500 sittings), and four public schools, Castlebay, Craigston, Minglay, and Northbay, with respective accommodation for 170, 67, 37, and 79 children, an average attendance (1891) of 143, 47, 30, and 84, and grants of £161, 9s. 6d., £46, 18s., £43, 12s., and £99, 9s. 6d. Valuation £2080, 1s. 2d., of which £1908, 1s. 2d. belonged to Mrs. Gordon of Cluny. Pop. (1801) 1925, (1821) 2303, (1831) 2097, (1841), 2363, (1861) 1853, (1871) 1997, (1881) 2145, (1891) 2365.

Barrachue. See BARACHUE.

Barras, a suburban village in Lochmaben parish, Dumfriesshire, on the Dumfries and Lockerby railway, adjacent to the N end of Lochmaben town. It contains Lochmaben station and U.P. church.

Barras, a decayed old mansion in Dannottar parish, Kincairdineshire, 3½ miles SSW of Stonehaven. It was the seat of the Ogilvies, whose ancestor governed and defended Dunnottar Castle in the time of Cromwell, but it is now an ordinary farm-house.

Barray. See BARRA and BUREAY.

Barrel of Butter. See ORPHIE.

Barrhead (Gael. *barr*, 'point or upper part,' with its English rendering, *head*, suffixed), a large but straggling manufacturing village, chiefly in the N of Neilston parish, but stretching also into that of Abbey. Standing on Levern Water to the W of Feracze Hill (585 feet), it is 3½ miles SSE of Paisley by road, and has a station on a joint section of the Caledonian and Glasgow & South-Western railways, 8½ miles SW of Glasgow, and 14½ NNE of Kilmarnock. Founded about 1773, its growth has been rapid, its one main street, with smaller ones diverging from it, being now connected with the populous suburbs of Grahamston, Arthurlie, Newton, etc., whilst its present industries comprise the printing of shawls and calicoes, cotton-spinning, dyeing, bleaching, iron and brass founding, and machine-making. Barrhead has a post office under Glasgow, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland and the Union Bank, insurance agencies, an hotel, a public hall, a mechanic's institute with a good library, a gas company, an agricultural society, and a Saturday paper, the *Renfrewshire Independent* (1856). Justice of Peace courts sit on the first Monday of every month; and a fair is held on the last Friday and Saturday of June. In the presbytery of

Paisley and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, a *quoad sacra* parish of Barrhead, all on the right bank of the Levern, was formed in 1869, with stipend of £300; there are 5 places of worship—Established, Free, U.P., Evangelical Union, and Roman Catholic,—of which none but the U.P. church (1796) is older than 1837. Barrhead public and Roman Catholic schools, and Cross Arthurlie public school, with respective accommodation for 505, 258, and 529 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 321, 232, and 387, and grants of £319, 7s., £212, 3s. 7d., and £404, 3s. 1d. Pop. of town (1851) 6069, (1861) 6018, (1871) 6209, (1881) 7495, (1891) 8215; of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 7359.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Barrhill, a village and registration district in Colmonell parish, Ayrshire. The village stands on the river Dusk, 12½ miles SSE of Girvan station. Of modern origin, it has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments, a Free church, cattle fairs on Thursday before fourth Friday of April, August, and October, and a lamb and sheep fair on the Thursday before the fourth Friday of August; a public school, with accommodation for 200 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 81, and a grant of £74, 6s. 6d. Pop. of district (1881) 1059, (1891) 912.

Barrhill, an elevation 400 feet above sea-level, on the mutual border of Cumbernauld and Kirkintilloch parishes, Dumbartonshire, 3½ miles W by S of Cumbernauld village. One of the forts in the line of Antoninus' Wall stood on its summit, and must have commanded a view of almost the entire line of the wall from the Forth to the Clyde. Some vaults, in entire condition, were discovered near the close of last century.

Barrisdale, a mansion in Glenelg parish, W Inverness-shire, at the head of Loch Hourm, 31 miles W by S of Fort Augustus.

Barrmill. See BEITH.

Barrochan. See BAROCHAN.

Barrock. See BOWER.

Barrogill Castle, a mansion in Canisbay parish, Caithness, on the coast of the Pentland Firth, 16 miles ENE of Thurso. A venerable pile, it was greatly improved and enlarged from designs by Burn; and (to quote Miss Sinclair) is now an imposing edifice, 'with all the natural elegance of a house in London, and all the external dignity of an ancient Highland residence.' It was until quite recently a seat of the Sinclairs, Earls of Caithness, who owned in the shire 14,460 acres, valued at £4479 per annum.

Barrowfield, a district of Glasgow, in Calton parish, Lanarkshire, on what was the Burgh Moor, adjacent to the Clyde, at the eastern extremity of the city. Standing compact with Bridgeton, it is a dingy, smoky seat of factories and other works. It is a *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Glasgow. The Regent Murray, in 1568, encamped his army on the site of Barrowfield, and there received accessions of recruits and provisions from the city on the eve of his march to the field of Langside.

Barrschole, a district of Rogart parish, Sutherland, 4 miles NW of Rogart Church.

Barry, a village and a coast parish of SE Forfarshire. The village lies towards the middle of the parish, on Pitairlie Burn, ¾ mile NNW of Barry station, which is 8 miles WSW of Arbroath, 5½ ENE of Broughty Ferry, and 8½ ENE of Dundee; at it are an inn, a public school, the old parish church (enlarged in 1818; 673 sittings), and a Free church. It has a post office under Carnoustie.

The parish contains also, 1½ mile to the E, the larger village of CARNOUSTIE, with a head post office and another station. Bounded NW by Monikie, NE by Panbride, E by the North Sea, S by the Firth of Tay, and W by Monifieth and Monikie, it has an extreme length from N to S of 3½ miles, a width from E to W of 3½ miles, and an area of 5328 acres. The coast-line, 5½ miles long, rises at Buddon Ness, its SE point, to but 42 and 95 feet above sea-level; 7 and 5 furlongs westward stand the Tay lighthouses, a high and a low one. Inland, the surface for nearly half of the entire area consists of low sandy links; nor even in the arable

district beyond does it anywhere exceed the 153 feet of Upper Victoria near the extreme N, at Deyhouse attaining 19, at Cotsyde 26, at Greenlawhill 100, near Clayholes 107, and at Travebank 118 feet. BUDDON Burn for 2 miles traces the western boundary, and Pitairlie Burn runs 3½ miles south-eastward through the interior. The soil of the upper division, raised from the lower by a steep green bank that seems to have been the ancient coast-line, is fertile, being variously gravel, light loam, and deep black earth; about 3000 acres are in tillage, and 20 under wood. A large part of Barry Links has recently been acquired by Government as a training ground for the Royal Artillery and Militia. The annual camp and competitions of the Scottish National Artillery Association are held here, and it is also a favourite golfing ground. Mansions are, Woodhill to the W, Grange of Barry to the NW, and Ravensby to the N, of the village; and 5 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 8 of between £100 and £500, 15 of from £50 to £100, and 44 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Arbroath and synod of Angus and Mearns, this parish is ecclesiastically divided into Barry (living £272) and Carnoustie. The Barry school, with accommodation for 160 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 128, and a grant of £103, 1s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £16,357, 17s., including £1568 for 3½ miles of the Dundee and Arbroath railway. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 1319; of civil parish (1801) 886, (1831) 1682, (1861) 2465, (1871) 3008, (1881) 3228, (1891) 3787.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 49, 1865.

Barry Hill. See ALYTH.

Barscobe. See BALMACLELLAN.

Barsbaw, an estate, with a mansion, in Abbey parish, Renfrewshire, 1½ mile E of Paisley.

Barsbell, a hill in Tinwald parish, Dumfriesshire, crowned with traces of an ancient Caledonian camp.

Barsick, a bold headland on the W side of South Ronaldshay island, Orkney.

Barskimming, an Ayrshire estate on the river Ayr, at the boundary between Stair and Mauchline parishes, 2 miles SSW of Mauchline village. It belongs to Sir Wm. Fred. Miller, fifth Bart. since 1788 (b. 1868; suc. 1875), and owner of 4453 acres in the shire, valued at £3823 per annum. Its 18th century mansion was totally destroyed by fire, 8 March, 1882. See BALLOCHMYLE.

Barthol. See TARVAS.

Bartonholm, a collier hamlet in Irvine parish, Ayrshire.

Barvas (Gael. *Barabhais*), a village and a parish in the N of the Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire. The village stands near the western coast and the mouth of Barvas river, 12 miles NW of Stornoway, and has a post office.

Including the islets of RONA and Sulisker, 40 miles N and 46 NNE, the parish contains also Bragar village, 5 miles WSW of Barvas, and the adjoining villages of Cross or Ness and Snaibost, 13 miles NE, Ness having another post office under Stornoway. Bounded NW by the Atlantic, NE by the North Minch (36 miles broad here at the narrowest), SE by Stornoway, and SW by Lochs, it has an extreme length from NE to SW of 22½ miles, and a varying width from NW to SE of 3½ and 7½ miles. The area of Barvas was enlarged in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners, who transferred to it a part of the detached portion of Lochs parish. The steep and rock-bound coast, in northerly gales lashed by tremendous surf, projects the headlands of Seileir or Cellar, Rudha Geall, the BUTT OF LEWIS (142 feet), Aird Dhail, Aird Bharabhais, and Aird Mhor Bhragair, and is broken only by the little creeks of some sixteen smooth, north-westward-flowing streams, the largest of them Barvas river, which, rising just within Stornoway parish, runs 7 miles to Loch Mhor Bharabhais (6½ × 4½ furl.), and thence 1 furlong to the open sea. Inland, the surface is one continuous moss, treeless and well-nigh shrubless, that seldom sinks to (and never much below) 100 feet above sea-level, and but little exceeds 400 feet in Beinn Bhail and Druim Ghinnabhal, 500 in Tom Dithabhail, whilst culminating in Beinn Choinnich (690 feet), close to the border of Lochs. In the SE and SW it is thickly sown with more than a hundred shallow lakes and

lakelets—Lochs Urraghaig (10×1 to $4\frac{1}{2}$ furl.), Bredhbhat ($7\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{1}{2}$ furl.), and Na Scarabhat ($6\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ to 3 furl.), to the SW, and Loch Langabhat ($9\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ to 3 furl.) to the NW, of Barvas river. These waters all abound in dark-coloured trout, the rivers yielding, too, sea-trout and salmon; the moors are denized with red deer, grouse, woodcocks, and plovers, the cliffs with myriads of sea-fowl, and the neighbouring seas with cod, haddock, and ling. Gneiss is the prevalent rock, with a considerable depth of gravel between it and the moss; and, the latter in course of years having been here and there cut away for fuel, it is on the strong, gravelly sub-soil thus laid bare that agriculture is chiefly carried on, the exceptions being where patches of moss or sand near the sea-shore are wrought for crops. Of farms there are eight, with a total rental of about £500; and of crofts, from the Butt to Callernish, including portions of Lochs and Uig parishes, there are about 1000, together paying some £3000, the crofters eking out the scanty harvests of their fields by the rich harvest of the sea. An isolated stone, 18 feet high, and nearly as much in circumference, between Barvas village and Shadir, is probably a glacier-carried boulder; but within the parish are vestiges of four pre-Reformation chapels, and ruins of four circular towers, of the kind ascribed to the Scandinavians. In the presbytery of Lewis and synod of Glenelg, Barvas is divided into the *quoad sacra* parishes of Cross and Barvas, the latter having 2792 inhabitants in 1891, a parish church (erected about 1794; 300 sittings; stipend, £288), and a Free church; the former, 2907 inhabitants, a parish church, and a Free church. Six public schools—Barvas, Bragar, Airidh-an-tuin, Cross, Lionel, and Shawbost—with respective accommodation for 155, 180, 170, 185, 263, and 205 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 90 day and 49 evening, 142, 105, 132, 159, and 144 day and 58 evening, and grants of £90, 14s. and £25, 12s., £146, 15s. 6d., £99, 2s. 6d., £132, 5s. 6d., £135, 10s., and £168, 8s. and £23, 10s. Pop. (1891) 5699, all Gaelic-speaking but 243.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 105, 111, 112, 1858.

Barvick, a burn on the mutual boundary of Monzie and Monievaird parishes, Perthshire. It rises on Blue Craigs at 2500 feet above sea-level, and running $\frac{1}{4}$ miles SSE, falls into Turret Water, an affluent of the Earn, at a point 2 miles NNW of Crieff. In this short course it makes a descent of 2200 feet, through a broken, declivitous, very deep dell, where it leaps from ledge to ledge in an almost constant succession of small cascades, sometimes 100 feet below the brow of its banks. Overhung all the way by steep rocks, bare and frowning, or adorned with profusion of natural wood, it makes, in the last furlong of its career, a fall or series of falls of between 500 and 600 feet.

Barwhinnock, an estate, with a modern mansion in Tynholm parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, 4 miles NNW of Kirkcudbright. It is the seat of Mrs Irving, owner of 782 acres in the shire, valued at £1084 per annum.

Bass, a stupendous rocky islet off the N coast of Haddingtonshire. It once was a parish, but as such was probably identified with Aldham parish, subsequently incorporated with Whitekirk; and it now is claimed both by Whitekirk and by North Berwick. Fronting Tantallon Castle, it stands in the mouth of the Firth of Forth, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the nearest point of land, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of North Berwick town; measures fully a mile in circumference; and rises to an altitude of 313 feet above the surface of the water. Its northern and highest side ascends almost sheer from the sea; its southern has a somewhat conical form, and rises with a moderate slope from near the base. Its surface comprises about 7 acres of pasturage, grazed by a few sheep, whose mutton is said to be peculiarly delicate. Solan geese or gannets, in vast multitudes, build and breed on their cliffs and rocks, and are taken and killed chiefly for their feathers and their fat. A cavernous passage, 170 yards long and 30 feet high, has been worn by the sea through an offshoot from the NW to the SE, and can generally be traversed even at full tide in calm weather, but presents no very remarkable feature. The only landing-place is a flat shelving point on the SE, and

even this is often inaccessible with strong E and south-easterly winds; thence the summit is gained by stairs, through remains of old fortifications. According to Hugh Miller, the Bass is probably a mass of lava, which was moulded in a tubular crater, and from around which, after it cooled and hardened, all the more yielding rocks were swept away. It first appears on record as the hermitage of St Balthere or Baldred, founder of the monastery of Tynningham, who died on it in 756; it was described in Latin verse by the learned Alcuin (735-804). In 1316 it became the property of the Lauder family, from whom it passed before the middle of the 17th century to the Laird of Waighton, and shortly afterwards to Sir Andrew Ramsay, provost of Edinburgh; by him it was sold in 1671 for £4000 to Government, and then was made a state prison for the Covenanters. Blackadder, Peden, Traill, and some forty more, chiefly ministers of religion, were confined on it for periods of from two months to six years, on no other charge than that they followed their own conscience rather than the king's will; and they suffered severe privations, catching, in some instances, diseases which enfeebled them for life. The cell in which Blackadder was confined proved his deathplace, and is still pointed out. At the Revolution the Bass was yielded early in the war, but on 15 June 1691, 4 young Jacobite prisoners shut the fort's gate against its garrison of 50, who were all outside engaged in landing coal. Reinforced till they numbered 16 men, victualled by the French government, and also supplied with two war-boats, they actually held out till April 1694, and then capitulated on highly honourable terms (vol. vii., pp. 415-418, of Hill Burton's *History of Scotland*). The fortifications commanding the landing-place, and barracks for the accommodation of a garrison, were not demolished till 1701, and have left some remains. An ancient chapel also stood about half way up the acclivity, and claims to occupy the site of the original cell of St Baldred, which likewise has left some remains. The Bass, in 1706, became the property of Sir Hew Dalrymple of North Berwick; and it has since continued in the possession of his descendants. It is sometimes said that there is a spring upon the top of the rock, but this is not in reality the case. Mr James Miller published, in 1825, a poem, entitled *St Baldred of the Bass*, with notes containing curious legendary matter respecting the rock; and Hugh Miller and four others issued conjointly, in 1848, *The Bass Rock, its Civil and Ecclesiastical History, Geology, Martyrology, Zoology and Botany*. See also G. Ferrier's *North Berwick and its Vicinity*.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 41, 1857.

Bass, a conical mound, some 40 feet high, on the right bank of the Urie, at the S end of Inverurie town, Aberdeenshire. Its origin and history have been a puzzle to antiquaries. Probably natural, it was, they say, formed by the Caledonians in connection with religious usages; or bore a sepulchral character; or served for a beacon-post; or was the seat of ancient open-air judicial courts. A prophecy respecting it, and quoted by Sir James Balfour more than 200 years ago, ascribed to Thomas the Rhymer, is said to have led the inhabitants of Inverurie to defend it from the action of the river by the erection of buttresses—

'When Dee and Don shall run in one,
And Tweed shall run in Tay,
The Bonny water o' Urie
Shall bear the Bass away.'

Bassendean, an ancient parish, now incorporated with Westruther, SW Berwickshire. Remains of its church, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S of Greenlaw, are still the burial-place of the Homes of Bassendean. Bassendean House adjacent, 6 miles NE of Earlston, is an old Border tower with modern additions in the Baronial style. The estate was given by James VI. in 1577 to William Home, third son of Sir James Home of Cowdenknowes.

Bastavoe, a bay on the E side of Yell island, in Shetland.

Bastine, a hamlet in Collessie parish, Fife, 2 miles NNW of Ladybank.

BATH

Bath, a burn on the N border of Ayrshire, rising near Beith town, and running to Kilbirnie Loch.

Batha Loch, in Glenorchy parish, Argyllshire. See BA.

Bathans. See ADDEY ST BATHANS.

Bathernock. See BALDERNOCK.

Bathgate, a town and a parish in the SW of Linlithgowshire. The town stands in the middle of the parish, 6 miles S by W of Linlithgow, whilst by sections of the North British, that converge to it from E, S, W, and NW, it is 19½ W by S of Edinburgh, 14½ NE of Morningside, 16 E by N of Coatbridge, 24½ E by N of Glasgow, and 8½ S of Manuel Junction. Its situation is a pleasant one. The lilly ground to the NE, and the beautiful park of Balbardie on the N, give a cheerful aspect to the town, which consists of two parts, the old and the new. The old stands on a ridgy declivity, and has narrow crooked lanes; the new town, on low ground, is regularly aligned, and has well-built streets. A considerable extension occurred after the opening of the Bathgate and Edinburgh railway in 1849; a greater one, after the establishment of a neighbouring paraffin work in 1852; and other ones, or rather a continually increasing one, after the subsequent commencing or enlargement of other neighbouring works connected with mines and with mineral produce. The inhabitants prior to the first of these extensions, had little other employment than hand-loom weaving, and lived in a state of penury; but the new works employed not only them but numerous immigrants from other towns. Bathgate soon grew to threefold its former extent, and passed from a state of stagnation and decay to one of bustle and prosperity. It is lighted with gas, is abundantly supplied with water of an excellent quality by waterworks costing £6000, and has a foundry, glass work, and distillery. It possesses a head post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments; 2 railway stations, upper and lower; offices of the Royal, National, and Union banks; a local savings bank; two chief hotels, the Bathgate and the Commercial; a handsome and commodious corn-exchange; a police station (1870); a working men's institute (1875); and a Saturday paper, the *West Lothian Courier* (1872). Places of worship are the parish church (rebuilt 1882; cost £8000), a Free church, a U.P. church, an Evangelical Union chapel, a Wesleyan chapel, and a Roman Catholic chapel (1858; 600 sittings). A weekly market is held on Tuesday, and has become important as a central corn-market for Linlithgowshire and for parts of the adjoining counties. Cattle fairs are held on the fourth Wednesday of June and October; and cattle and hiring fairs on the Wednesdays after Whitsunday and Martinmas, old style. The public works, to which the town owes its growth, and also the schools, will be noticed under the parish. The town, with a territory around it, was anciently a sheriffdom; and in legal form it still is such, only that the sheriff of Linlithgowshire is always also sheriff of Bathgate. The right to its sheriffdom was long hereditary, and belonged to the Earls of Hopetoun, whose representative, on the abolition of hereditary jurisdictions in 1747, was compensated by a payment of £2000. In 1824 the town was constituted a burgh of barony by Act of Parliament, under which it is governed by a provost, 3 bailies, 12 councillors, and a treasurer; in 1865 it adopted the general police and improvement act of Scotland, and since has a body of police commissioners. Walter, the son-in-law of King Robert Bruce, receiving Bathgate as part of his wife's dowry, had a residence at it, and died here in 1328. Some of the inhabitants suffered hardship and loss in the times of the persecution; and the insurgent army of the Covenanters, when on their march from the W to Rullion Green, spent a disastrous night at Bathgate. Jn. Reid, M.D. (1809-49), anatomist and physiologist, and Sir James Simpson (1811-70), professor of midwifery in Edinburgh University, were natives. Pop. of burgh (1831) 2581, (1861) 4527, (1871) 4991, (1881) 4885, (1891) 5391.

The parish of Bathgate contains also the small town of ARMADALE, 2½ miles W by S. It is bounded, N by

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Torphichen and Linlithgow, NE by a detached portion of Ecclesmachan, E by Livingston, S by Livingston and Whitburn, SW by Shotts in Lanarkshire, and NW by Torphichen. Its greatest length from E to W is 6½ miles; its breadth from N to S varies between 2½ and 3½ miles; and its area is 10,887½ acres, of which 11½ are water. The surface—nowhere much less than 400, or more than 1000, feet above sea-level—attains 626 feet near Cowdenhead in the W, 409 at Bahnuir in the N, 1000 at the Knock in the N, 563 near Colinsiel, 535 near Bathville, 537 near Whiteside, 583 near Torbanehill in the S, 486 near Upper Bathgate station, 848 at the Standing Stones, and 700 near Drumcress in the E. The western and part of the southern slope of the hilly mass are considerable declivities, yet contain the best land in the parish. The tract at the base is the lowest ground, was naturally marshy, and appears to have long lain mainly under water; but now, as the result of draining, is comparatively dry. **BALENCRIEFF** Water rises among the hills, makes a circuit through great part of the low tracts, and then runs for about 1½ mile along the boundary with Torphichen. Barbauchlaw Burn comes in from the SW, traces much of the rest of the boundary with Torphichen, and makes a confluence with Balencriff Water. The river **ALMOND**, from a point about 5 miles below its source, runs about 1½ mile on the boundary with Whitburn. A lake of about 11 acres lay in the northern vicinity of the town, but was drained in 1853. About 510 acres are under wood; 800 are pastoral or waste; and all the rest save what is occupied by buildings, public works, fences, roads, and railways, is either constantly or occasionally in tillage. The rocks include dykes and masses of trap, but belong mainly to the coal measures, and are very rich in useful minerals. At Boghead, 1½ mile SW of the town, a black bituminous shale, sharing the appearance both of coal and slate, was found in 1850 to be peculiarly rich in mineral oil, and began to be worked about 1852 for the production of illuminating gas, paraffin oil, and solid paraffin. Coming into much demand also for exportation to the Continent and elsewhere, it was mined at the rate of fully 100,000 tons a year; but about 1866 began to show signs of exhaustion,—signs that fulfilled themselves in 1873. Chemical works, for manufacturing paraffin oil and solid paraffin, stand about ¾ mile SSW of Boghead; cover 25 acres; are connected by branch railways with the main lines in their vicinity; look, in the distance, like a grimy irregularly-built village; and employ from 400 to 500 men. These works underwent some change, at the expiry of a lease, in 1864; and they were sold, about the beginning of 1866, at a price variously reported from £200,000 to £240,000. Other works of similar kind, under stimulus of the prosperous experiment at Boghead, and after successful search for shales of kindred character to the Boghead shale, were meanwhile established at Uphall, Broxburn, Kirkliston, Westwood, Hermand, Saltney, Calderhall, Charlesfield, Leavenseat, Addiewell, and other places in Linlithgowshire and the W border of Edinburghshire; and these, by powerfully extending the demand for paraffin oil and paraffin throughout Great Britain, and in countries so distant as China, gave increasing impulse and energy to the parent works and researches in the neighbourhood of Boghead. One of the new works was established within Bathgate parish itself, shortly before 1865; and that, together with brick-making and mining in connection with it, employs between 300 and 400 persons. Another of the new works also was erected, near the end of 1865, about 3 miles E of Bathgate town. Collieries have long and extensively been worked in the parish, whose western half contains numerous active pits. A very rich iron ore was, at one time, worked on the estate of Couston. Limestone for conversion into quick-lime, sandstone for building, and trap rock for road-metal, are largely quarried. Lead ore, in small frequently-interrupted veins, with traces of silver, occurs in the limestone beds. The argilliferous ore was long worked in one of the limestone quarries, still

called the Silver Mine; but, after yielding a considerable quantity of silver, it ceased to be obtained in sufficient quantity for remunerative working. The Silver Mine was explored in 1871; was then found to comprise several deep pits with numerous ramifications; and to contain inscriptions and a curious ancient hammer, showing it to have been extensively worked in the Middle Ages; and, giving promise of lead, silver, and platinum ores, it was once more for a time subjected to vigorous operation. Thin beds of mineral pitch also are found in the limestone; and traces of brown blende zinc ore have been observed. Calc-spar is plentiful; and heavy-spar, pearl-spar, Lydian stone, and chalcidony are occasionally found. Fire clay is abundant. Antiquities are Conston Castle and the Refuge Stone, in the NW; the Boar Stone, in the SW; the Standing Stones, in the NE; the old church, a little SE of the town; and Ballenerieff House, to the N of the same. The principal mansions are Balbardie, Boghead, Torbanehill, Kaim Park, Rosemount, Easter Inch, Drumcross, Wester Drumcross, and Wester Inch; and 14 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 43 of between £100 and £500, 59 of from £50 to £100, and 100 of from £20 to £50. Bathgate is in the presbytery of Linnithgow and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; its minister's income is £200. Besides ARMADALE public school there are Bathgate evening public school, the Academy and a Roman Catholic school at Bathgate town, and Bathgate landward and Starlaw public schools, with respective accommodation for 796, 216, 320, and 130 children, an average attendance (1891) of 38, 677 day and 41 evening, 167, 309, and 80, and grants of £21, 18s., £735, 0s. 6d. and £11, 18s., £146, 2s. 6d., £270, 7s. 6d., and £74, 7s. 6d. Valuation, £34,419, 19s. Pop. (1801) 2513, (1831) 3593, (1861) 10,131, (1891) 11,359, of whom 7557 belong to Bathgate registration district.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Bathgate and Edinburgh Railway, a railway in Edinburgh and Linnithgow shires, from a junction with the Edinburgh and Glasgow section of the North British system at a point a little W of Ratho station, 11 miles west-by-southward to Bathgate. It was authorised in 1846; was leased to the Edinburgh and Glasgow for 999 years, at 4 per cent. of one-half surplus profits; passed, with the Edinburgh and Glasgow line, into connection with the North British system; came under an agreement with the North British directors to receive 5 per cent. in perpetuity, in lieu of the terms of lease to the Edinburgh and Glasgow; and its total annual value is about £6600.

Bathville Row, a village in Bathgate parish, Linnithgowshire, 2½ miles WSW of Bathgate.

Battery Point. See QUEENSFERRY, NORTH.

Batties Bog, a morass on the mutual border of Dunse and Edrom parishes, Berwickshire. It was the scene of the murder, in 1517, of the Sieur Antoine d'Arces de la Bastie by Home of Wedderburn; and its name Batties is a corruption of Bastie's.

Battle-Drum, a hill-ridge in the N of Kinnell parish, Forfarshire. Battle-Burn brook runs along its southern base; Battle-Cairn and Battle-Well are a little further to the E, beyond Kinnell parish; and many cairns, chiefly in two parallel lines, are on the Battle-Drum ridge. The cairns, and the names of the places, appear to be memorials of some ancient battle; and they are said by tradition, but without any other authority, to point to a conflict between the Piets and the Romans.

Battle-Dykes, a quondam Roman camp on the N bank of the Lenno rivulet, in Oathlaw parish, Forfarshire. It measured about 2970 feet in length, 1850 in breadth, and 80 acres in area, and is now a well-cultivated farm, called Battle-Dykes. The pretorium is the only part visible; but some small urns and other relics were exhumed from it, and are preserved in the vicinity. A grand Roman *iter* connected it with the camp at Ardoch; and other lesser *itineræ* connected it northward with camps at Wardykes and Haerfaulds, distant respectively 11 and 19 miles.

Battle-Fauld, a spot near Haddo mill in Crimond parish, Aberdeenshire. Tradition marks it as the scene

of the combat between Sir James the Rose and Sir John the Græme, fatal to the former, and commemorated in the well-known ballad of 'Sir James the Rose.'

Battle-Hill, an eminence in Annan parish, Dumfriesshire, said to have got its name from a sanguinary conflict at it between Scotch and English in a Border foray, fatal to all the English combatants, either by their being slain on the spot or driven to death in the adjacent Solway Firth. A strong mineral spring was discovered here in 1837.

Battle-Hill, a hill on the mutual border of Drumblade and Huntly parishes, Aberdeenshire, said to have got its name from a conflict on it, in the old times, between the Comyns and the Gordons.

Battle-Knowes, a quondam ancient camp, supposed to be Roman, on Leetside farm, in Whitsope parish, Berwickshire. It is still traceable in the middle of what is now a marsh. It had a square form, measuring 126 feet on each side; it was approached by a raised pavement of rough stones, not very long ago removed; and it probably was surrounded with water or situated on an islet in a lake.

Battle-Law. See BALMERINO.

Battock, a conspicuous summit of the Grampians, at the meeting-point of Forfar, Kineardine, and Aberdeenshires. Its altitude is 2568 feet above sea-level.

Baturich or Boturich Castle, a modern mansion in Kilmarnock parish, Dumbartonshire, on rising ground near the SE shore of Loch Lomond, 3 miles N of Alexandria. Occupying the site of a fine old castle, it is the seat of Rt. Elmsall Findlay, Esq. (b. 1855; suc. 1877).

Bauden, a hill in Kettle parish, Fife, ½ mile ESE of Kettle village; it is crowned by a mound, supposed to be the ruin or *débris* of ancient fortifications.

Bavelaw, a burn of SW Edinburghshire. It rises on Mid Hill, near the watershed of the Pentlands; runs 4½ miles north-eastward to the vicinity of Harelaw; and goes thence 1½ mile north-westward to the Water of Leith at Balerno. It is overlooked, on the right, 2½ miles below its source, by remains of an ancient royal hunting-seat of its own name; it afterwards expands into the two reservoirs of Thriepmuir and Harelaw; and it subsequently drives some mills.

Bawkie or Balgie, a beautiful small bay on the W side of the Firth of Clyde, at the S end of the town of Dunoon, more commonly called the West Bay.

Bay, a hamlet and a sea-loch in Duirinish parish, Isle of Skye, Invernessshire. The hamlet lies at the head of the loch, 17 miles WNW of Portree. The loch partially intersects Vaternish peninsula; descends 2½ miles west-north-westward to the lower part of Loch Duvegan; and, though much exposed to north-westerly winds, affords good anchorage in ordinary weather.

Bayle (Gael. *Pabaill*), a small bay and two villages in Stornoway parish, Lewis, Ross-shire, on the SE side of the Aird peninsula, 8 miles E by N of Stornoway town. The villages are Lower and Upper (*Pabaill Iosal* and *Pabaill Ard*); their population, in 1891, was 481 and 523.

Bayfield, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Nigg parish, Ross-shire, 1 mile NNE of Nigg church.

Bayhead, a suburb of the town of Stornoway, in Lewis, Ross-shire.

Bayhevagh, a good, sheltered, natural harbour, on the E side of Barra island, Outer Hebrides, Invernessshire.

Bayneton. See BANETON.

Bay of Martyrs, a small bay on the E side of Iona Island, Argyllshire. It adjoins Iona or Thred village, and the famous ecclesiastical ruins so attractive to antiquaries and to tourists; and it is said to have got its name from being the landing-place for bodies brought from a distance, in Romish times, for interment in the neighbouring cemetery.

Beacon Hill, a heathy, sombre, cone-shaped eminence in Bressay Island, Shetland. It rises to an altitude of 724 feet above sea-level.

Bealach, a mountain-pass, 1250 feet above sea-level, in Kintail parish, Ross-shire, on the footpath from Loch Altric to Invershiel. Only a few feet broad, it

is overhung to the S by Ben Attow (3383 feet), to the NE by Seuir-na-Cairan (3771).

Bealach-nam-Bo (Gael. 'pass of the cattle'), a birch-clad mountain-pass across the northern shoulder of Ben Venne, in Aberfoyle parish, Perthshire. It appears to have been formed by an earthquake stroke partially dis severing the mountain; it resembles a terrace, overhanging the S side of Loch Katrine, at an altitude of about 800 feet above the lake; and, in the days of Highland caterans, when the pass of the Trossachs could be ascended only by a ladder, it was the route by which stolen cattle were brought in from the Lowlands. Between the pass and the lake is a vast corrie, a deep amphitheatre, at least 1800 feet wide, enclosed all round by steep rocks, towering on two sides to a height of not less than 500 feet. This was imagined by the Highlanders in olden times to be tenanted by 'urisks,' fabulous creatures similar to the Grecian satyrs; and it bears the name of Coir-nan-Uriskin, or the Goblin's Cave.

Beal-an-Duine, a spot near the entrance of the Trossachs defile, on the southern border of Callander parish, Perthshire. It is pointed out as the veritable death-place of Fitz-James' 'gallant grey;' and was the real scene of a skirmish between a party of Cromwell's soldiers and a band of marauders, receiving its name, which signifies 'the pass of the man,' from the death of one of the soldiers who fell in that skirmish.

Bealochantuy, a hamlet and a small bay of Killeean parish, Argyllshire, on the W side of Kintyre, 10 miles NNW of Campbeltown.

Beannach, a small lake on the mutual border of Rogart and Clyne parishes, SE Sutherland, 6½ miles N by E of Rogart station. It abounds in trout.

Beanoch, a lake in Assynt parish, SW Sutherland, 4½ miles NE of Lochinver. It teems with trout.

Beansburn, a village in the parish, and 1 mile N of the town, of Kilmarnock, Ayrshire.

Bearsden, a fine residential suburb of Glasgow, in the parish of New Kilpatrick, which was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners, in 1891, from Stirlingshire to Dumbartonshire. It has a railway station on the Glasgow and Milngavie section of the North British railway, 3¼ miles N of Maryhill, a post office under Glasgow, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, Buchanan Retreat, for decayed Glasgow merchants, and St Peter's E.C. college (1892). Pop. (1891) 1561.

Beath (Gael. 'birch-tree'), an inland parish of SW Fife, intersected by the West Fife Mineral railway, and touched by two sections of the North British system—the Edinburgh, Perth, and Dundee (1 mile) in the south-eastern, and the Kinross-shire (9 furlongs) in the north-eastern corner, with Cowdenbeath station on the former, 5¼ miles ENE of Dunfermline, and, on the latter, Keltly station, 5 miles SSE of Kinross. It contains the mining villages of Hill of Beath, ½ mile NW of Crossgates station; Cowdenbeath, 3 furlongs N by W of Cowdenbeath station, with a post office, having money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; Keltly, 7 furlongs W of Keltly station; Oakfield, ½ mile SSE of Keltly; and Lassodie, in the W, with a post office under Dunfermline, from which it is 4½ miles NNE.

Bounded NW by Dunfermline and Cleish in Kinross-shire, NE by Ballingry and Auchterderran, SE by Auchterteel, Aberdour, and Dunfermline, and SW by Dunfermline, Beath has a varying length from E by N to W by S of 2½ and 4½ miles, an extreme breadth from N by W to S by E of 3½ miles, and an area of 6401½ acres, of which 567 are water. Shallow Loch Fitty (1 by ½ mile) lies partly within the south-western border, and Lochfitty Burn runs out of it through the interior and along the Ballingry boundary on its way to the eastward-flowing Ore, which, with another affluent, Lochornie Burn, traces all the north-western and part of the north-eastern border. The surface has a general westward rise, from less than 300 feet above sea-level in the furthest E to 412 near Hilton, 587 near Leuchars-beath, 575 near Cocklaw, 710 near Thornton, and 705 at the wide-looking Hill of Beath, in the SW corner of the

parish. The formation is mainly Limestone Carboniferous, and, whilst the limestone has to some extent been worked, five collieries are in active operation—Beath and Blairadam, Clarkston, Cowdenbeath, Hill of Beath, and Lassodie. The soil is for the most part cold and stiff; and though there are highly cultivated farms, as Hilton (460 acres) and the Mains of Beath (300), their rental is low, that of the former being only some £370. Eight proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 11 of between £100 and £500, 6 of from £50 to £100, and 12 of from £20 to £50. The Queen, on her first visit to Scotland, changed horses at Cowdenbeath, 6 Sept. 1842; but the most curious chapter in Beath's history is quoted in the *New Statistical* from the old register of 1640, whence it appears how the poor kirk, which had been the first place of meeting that ever the Protestant Lords of Scotland had for the Covenant and Reformation, fell into decay, and how about that time it was rebuilt by Mr Alexander Colville of Blair, who was mightily stirred by beholding from his own window the piping and dancing of the poor people on the Sabbath, their revelling and debauching, drinking, excess, and riot,—the younger men playing at football, falling out, and wounding one another, and the older sort playing at games and the works of their several callings. Beath is in the presbytery of Dunfermline and synod of Fife; its minister's income is £158. The present parish church, a handsome edifice (built 1835), stands 1 mile WNW of Cowdenbeath, 2 SSE of Keltly; and there are 3 Free churches (in Kinross presbytery) at Cowdenbeath, Keltly, and Lassodie, besides a Baptist church at Cowdenbeath. Three public schools—Cowdenbeath, Keltly, and Lassodie—with respective accommodation for 973, 349, and 277 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 858, 326, and 170, and grants of £750, 15s., £284, 17s., and £148, 15s. Valuation (1892) £30,614, 8s. 7d. Pop. (1801) 613, (1821) 729, (1831) 921, (1841) 973, (1851) 1252, (1861) 2390, (1871) 3534, (1881) 5422, (1891) 8298.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Beattock, a station in Kirkpatrick Juxta parish, Dumfriesshire, on the Caledonian, 3¾ miles SSE of Carstairs Junction, and 2 miles SSW of Moffat, with which it communicates by omnibus from the hydropathic and from the Annandale and Buccleuch Arms hotels, and with which it is connected by a branch line, 1½ mile long, opened in 1883. Situated in the vale of Evan Water, which is also traversed by the Glasgow and Carlisle high-road, it has in its vicinity Beattock Hill (851 feet), the Beattock Bridge hotel (where a great sale of Cheviot rams is held on the day before Moffat September tup fair), Beattock House, and Craigielands village, with a money order, savings bank, and telegraph post office.

Beaufort Castle, the seat of Simon Fraser, sixteenth Lord Lovat (b. 1871; suc. 1887), in Kiltarity parish, Inverness-shire, on the right bank of the river Beauly, adjacent to Kilmorack Falls, 13 miles WSW of Inverness, and 4 SSW of Beauly. An ancient baronial fortalice here appears on record so early as the reign of Alexander I. (1107-24); was besieged by the English in 1303; belonged originally to the Bissets, but passed, towards the close of the 13th century, to the Frasers, ancestors of Lord Lovat; suffered capture and damage from Oliver Cromwell; and was burned and razed to the ground by the Duke of Cumberland's army after the battle of Culloden. The present edifice, said to be the thirteenth on the site, was erected at great cost in 1882. It is a large and stately edifice in the old Scottish Baronial style of architecture, commanding a wide prospect of the Aird country and the Beauly Firth; and is surrounded by extensive grounds of great beauty. Lord Lovat owns in the shire 161,574 acres, valued at £28,148 per annum.

Beauly (French *Beaulieu*, 'beautiful place'), a village in Kilmorack parish, Inverness-shire, with a station on the Highland railway, 10 miles W of Inverness. A burgh of barony, a sub-port, and a great tourists' centre, it stands on the left bank of the Beauly river, a little above its mouth; presents a well-built, clean, and pleasant appearance; and has a post office, with money

order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland and Commercial Bank, gas-works, hotels and inns, a Roman Catholic church (1864; 350 sittings), and the ruined priory of St John Baptist. This latter was founded in 1232 by Sir John Bisset of Lovat, for seven French monks of the congregation of Vallis Caulium or Val de Choux, a sub-order of the Cistercians, who followed the rule of St Benedict; its aisleless church, 136 by 21 feet, is mostly Early Second Pointed, and may date from about the first decade of the 14th century. The last prior granted its lands in 1558 to the sixth Lord Lovat; but, forfeited by Alex. MacKenzie of Fraserdale in 1716, they are now Crown property (E. C. Batten's *Beaully Priory*, Granpian Club). Fairs are held either in the village or on the neighbouring Moor of Ord on the third Thursday of January and February, the third Wednesday and Thursday of March and April, the second Wednesday and Thursday of May, the third Wednesday and Thursday of June and July, the Wednesday and Thursday of August, September, and October before Falkirk, the Wednesday and Thursday of November before Edinburgh Hallow fair, and the Thursday after the third Wednesday of December. The village has a safe and convenient small harbour, and carries on a considerable trade in grain, timber, coal, lime, and other commodities. A sheriff small debt court is held in January, May, and September. A bridge, built in 1810, spanning the river on the line of the longest road to Inverness, was carried away on 12 February, 1892, by extraordinary floods; a ferry for foot-passengers is on the line of the shortest road, but does not serve for horses or carriages. The Established and Free churches of Kilmorack are near the village, at which there is a large Roman Catholic church. A public and a Catholic school, with respective accommodation for 250 and 90 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 163 and 35, and grants of £139, 5s. and £34, 12s. 6d. Pop. (1891) 879.

The river Beaully is formed by the confluence of the Glass and the Farrer at Erchless Castle; it runs, in a winding course of about 16 miles, north-eastward to the head of Beaully Firth; it has frequent narrowings and windings; it makes, at KILMORACK Church, remarkable falls amid splendid scenery; and it abounds, below the falls, with salmon, grise, and sea-trout. The salmon fishings, belonging to Lord Lovat and The Chisholm, are splendid, Lord Lovat in one year, it is said, killing 146 salmon to his own rod in five days. The valley of the Beaully, in common with that of the Glass, bears the name of the Strathglass. The Firth of Beaully (Ptolemy's *Varar Estuarium*) is the upper basin or inner division of the Moray Firth; and is separated from the lower basin by a contraction about $\frac{3}{4}$ mile wide at Kessock Ferry in the northern vicinity of Inverness. Its length is about 7 miles; its greatest breadth is about 2 miles, and its shores are low and well cultivated. The Caledonian Canal enters it at Clachnaharry, a little W of Inverness.

Beaumont. See BOWMONT.

Beaver-Craig, a romantic ravine, traversed by a brook with waterfalls, in King-Edward parish, a little below King-Edward Castle, at the north-western extremity of Aberdeenshire.

Beckton, a place in Dryfesdale parish, Dumfriesshire, near Lockerbie. It had anciently a chapel, and it has a very copious medicinal spring.

Bedlay, an estate, with an old mansion, in Cadder parish, N Lanarkshire, in the vicinity of Chryston, and 4 miles NW of Coatbridge. The mansion stands on a gently elevated platform, overlooking a small well-wooded dell; is a quadrangular structure with two round turrets and high-peaked gables; and, once belonging to the Earls of Kilmarnock, is now the seat of Thos. Craig Christie, Esq., owner of 910 acres in the shire, valued at £1451 per annum. Limeworks are on the estate, yielding a hard dark blue lime, extensively used in the Monkland iron-works.

Bedlormie, an old baronial fortalice, still entire, in Torphichen parish, Linlithgowshire. It came by marriage, in the 17th century, to the baronet family of Livingstone.

Bedrule, a hamlet and a parish of Teviotdale, central Roxburghshire. The hamlet, lying on the right bank of Rule Water, $\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Jedburgh, its post-town and railway station, consists of the parish church (rebuilt about 1803; 140 sittings), the manse, the school, and a few scattered cottages. Close to it, on a grassy knoll, are scanty traces of an ancient castle, the stronghold of the Turnbills, where, about 1494, 200 of that fierce Border clan were brought before James IV., with halters round their necks and naked swords in their hands.

The parish is bounded NW by Ancrum, NE and E by Jedburgh, S by Hobkirk, and W by Hobkirk and Cavers. It has an extreme length from N to S of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from E to W of from 1 to $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 3952 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 35 are water. RULE Water traces nearly all the western, the TEVIOT more roughly the north-western, boundary; and the surface has a general eastward rise to DENIAN Hill (1095 feet above sea-level), Black Law (1110), and Watch Knowe (957). The rocks belong mainly to the Silurian system, but partly also to the Devonian; the soils of the uplands are thin and poor, in places spongy, while those of the haughs are occasionally argillaceous, but chiefly a rich sandy loam superincumbent on gravel. In the S the peel tower of Fulton stands, fairly perfect, on a greensward slope, confronting 'dark Ruberslaw' (1392 feet) across the Rule; northward are a hill-fort and the sites of Rucaeste (burned in Lord Dacre's raid, 1513; and again in Hertford's, 1545) and Newton Tower. William Turnbull, Bishop of Glasgow from 1448 to 1454, was probably a native of this parish; and at the manse was born an eminent physician, Sir David James Hamilton Dickson (1750-1850). The principal residences, Menslaws, Newton (with a fine old avenue of ash and elm trees), and Knowesouth, are all three situated near the right bank of the Teviot, along the highroad from Hawick to Jedburgh; and 3 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, and 2 of from £20 to £100. Bedrule is in the presbytery of Jedburgh and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; its minister's income is £175. The public school, with accommodation for 84 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 32, and a grant of £36, 8s. 6d. Valuation £4809. Pop. (1831) 309, (1861) 222, (1871) 292, (1881) 269, (1891) 246.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 17, 1864.

Bea, a sea-loch in the NW of South Uist island, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. With a very irregular outline, it measures about 3 miles in length, and 1 mile in mean breadth; has an extreme depth of about 2 fathoms; is entered, at its NW end, by the sea in spring tides; is nearly connected, at its SW end, with Loch Skipton, opening to the sea on the E; and abounds not only in fine trout, but also in flounders and muller.

Beechwood, a mansion in Corstorphine parish, Edinburghshire, on the S side of Corstorphine Hill. Built in 1770, by a son of Walter Scott of Harden, and sold in 1786 to Colonel Alexander Leslie, in 1797 to Major-General David Dundas, it is now a seat of Sir Sidney Jas. Dundas, third Bart. since 1821 (b. 1849; suc. 1877).

Beechwood, an estate, with a mansion, in St Vigeans parish, Forlanshire, near Arbroath.

Beeswing, a post office hamlet in the NW corner of New Abbey parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, near the boundary with Lochbrutten and Kirkgunzeon parishes, 7 miles SW of its post-town Dumfries.

Beg, a head-stream of the river Shee, in the N of Kirkmichael parish, Perthshire.

Beg, a sea-loch in Bracadale parish, south-western shore of the Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. It opens from Loch Bracadale, strikes 2 miles to the NE, and has, on its shore, the church of Bracadale, built in 1831, and containing 516 sittings.

Beich. See GLENBEICH.

Beil, an estate, with a mansion, in Stenton parish, Haddingtonshire. The mansion stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Stenton village, $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles SW of Dunbar; is partly an ancient edifice, partly a great modern extension, after a

design by Atkinson, erected at a cost of nearly £40,000; and has splendid grounds, with an extensive deer-park. It is a seat of Mr and Mrs Ogilvy, owners in the shire of 14,345 acres, valued at £24,537 per annum.

Beil-Grange, a hamlet in Stenton parish, Haddingtonshire, near the NW corner of Beil Park, and 1 mile NNW of Stenton village.

Beith (Gael. 'birch tree'), a market town and a parish of Cunningham, near the N border of Ayrshire. The town stands high, at 343 feet above sea-level, 1 mile SE of Beith station on the Glasgow and South-Western, this being 4½ miles NNE of Dalry Junction, 10½ SW of Paisley, and 17½ WSW of Glasgow; whilst by a branch to it from the Barrhead line it is 5½ miles W by N of Lagton Junction, 19 WSW of Glasgow, and 15½ NNW of Kilmarnock. Gas-lit, and well supplied with water, it is a clean and healthy-looking place, possessing a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Clydesdale, Union, and Commercial banks, insurance agencies, hotels, a public library, and a town house (1817), used as a newsroom and (till 1884) for the local courts. The constabulary station, with courthouse adjoining, was erected in 1884, at a cost of £1500. The parish church (rebuilt 1807-10; enlarged since) is a handsome edifice with a tower. Other places of worship are a Free church (1833; 600 sittings), an Evangelical Union church, and two U.P. churches—Head Street (1784; 849 sittings) and Mitchell Street (1816; 428 sittings). Friday is market-day; and fairs are held on the first Friday (old style) of January, February, and November, and on the 30 Aug. (if not a Saturday), this last being the Feast of St. Iuan or 'Tenant,' a Scottish confessor said to have flourished here in 839. A sheriff small debt court sits on the first Thursday of February, May, August, and November, and a district small debt court for Beith, Dalry, and Kilbirnie on the first Monday of every month. Beith at the Revolution was merely a tiny hamlet, but rose to a considerable village with 700 examinable inhabitants in 1759, and nearly 1600 in 1788, this growth being due to the introduction of a trade in woollen cloth about 1707, and about 1730 in linen yarn, whose yearly sales amounted thirty years later to £16,000. The manufacture of silk gauze was extensively carried on from 1777 to 1789; and at present there are a linen-thread factory, a silk printing and dyeing establishment, tanning and currying yards, a flax-scutching mill, and several large cabinet and chair works, many also of the inhabitants being employed in cotton and woollen weaving for Glasgow and Paisley houses. An Industrial Church of Scotland school and 3 public schools (the Academy, Greenhills, and Gateside), afford accommodation for 160, 789, 200, and 101 children respectively. The Speir School (1887), affording a high-class education, was built at a cost of £12,000—the gift of the widow of Mr R. Speir of Marshalland.

The parish contains, too, the villages of GATESIDE, 1 mile E by S of the town; Barmill, with a station, 2 miles SE; and Burnhouse, 3½ miles SE. Bounded NE by Lochwinnoch and Neilston in Renfrewshire, SE by Dunlop, SW by Kilwinning and Dalry, NW by Kilbirnie and Lochwinnoch, it has an extreme length from N by E to S by W of 6½ miles, an extreme breadth from E to W of 5½ miles, and an area of 11,222 acres, of which 543 (to the NE) were in Renfrewshire until 1891, when the Boundary Commissioners transferred this portion to the county of Ayr. LUGTON Water traces all the south-eastern boundary, and through the interior flow DICK Water and Powgreen Burn, all three running south-south-westward or south-westward to the Garnock, in whose low-lying strath, 1 mile to the W of the town, and just beyond the western border, is Kilbirnie Loch (11½ × 3½ furl.) The surface there is only some 90 feet above sea-level, but has a general north-eastward rise, attaining 475 feet at Blaechlochhead, 689 at Lowes or Lochs Hill, 675 at Cuff Hill, and 659 at Brownmuir—heights that command a wide view southward and south-westward to Carriek, Ailsa Craig, and Arran, north-westward to Cowal's serrated ridges, and northward to

Ben Lomond; but the parish itself presents no scenery other than the simply beautiful, due to a varied contour and to a fine well-cultivated soil. There are two clay-band ironstone mines and a colliery at work here, the rocks being partly eruptive, in part belonging to the Limestone Carboniferous series. Trap and sandstone are quarried; and an excellent limestone, containing from 90 to 95 per cent. of pure carbonate, and composed almost wholly of fossil shells, is worked both for manure and as a building stone, its hardness and compactness giving it the properties of coarse marble. The flora is rich, especially in rare phanerogams. Cheese is the staple rural product, and, possessing the qualities of the best Dunlop, commands the highest price in the Glasgow market. On Cuff Hill are a rocking stone of trap, weighing 11 tons 7 cwt., and a cairn, 165 feet long, 5½ wide and 12 high (*Procs. Soc. Ants. Scot.*, 1876, pp. 272-283); other antiquities being the Court-hill of the Abbots of Kilwinning and the ruins of Hesselhead and Giffen Castles—the last, till its fall in 1838, a square tower 40 feet high. Both were seats of cadet branches of the Eglington line of Montgomerie; and Hesselhead is the traditional birthplace of Alexander Montgomery, author of *The Cherrie and the Slue* (1597). Glennie, in his *Arthurian Localities* (1869), refers the 'battle in the Wood of Beith at close of day,' mentioned by Taliessin, to this parish, among whose ministers were Dr Wm. Leelman (1706-85), a Principal of Glasgow University, and Dr Jn. Witherspoon (1722-94), a president of Princetown College in New Jersey. Caldwell, 4½ miles E by N of the town, has for 500 years been the seat of the Mures, and was rebuilt in last century by Robert Adam; the late Col. Wm. Mure, M.P. (1830-80), held 1544 acres in Renfrew and Ayr shires of an annual value of £7245. Two other proprietors, W. Ralston Patrick of Trearne House (2 miles E by S of Beith) and Rt. Wm. Cochran Patrick of Woodside (1 mile N), hold respectively 2506 and 1544 acres, of £5248 and £2030 yearly value; and, in all, 8 landowners hold each £500 and upwards per annum, 28 between £100 and £500, 33 from £50 to £100, and 81 from £20 to £50. Beith is in the presbytery of Irvine and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; its minister's income is £545. The parliamentary constituency for the parish is 1160. Valuation (1891) £30,244, of which £5090 was for railways. Pop. (1755) 2064, (1801) 3103, (1831) 5177, (1851) 6425, (1861) 5775, (1871) 6233, (1881) 6555, (1891) 7126.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 22, 1865.

Belchester, an estate, with a mansion, in the parish of Eccles, Berwickshire, 5 miles NW of Coldstream. Its owner holds 484 acres in the shire, valued at £1146 per annum.

Beld Craig, a romantic dell in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire, 3¼ miles SSE of Moffat town. It takes its name from a magnificent overhanging rock; and it is traversed by a brook which makes a curious cataract.

Belhaven, a coast village and a *quoad sacra* parish in Dunbar parish, Haddingtonshire. The village stands at the SE corner of Belhaven Bay, 1 mile W by S of Dunbar, and is included in the parliamentary burgh. With splendid sands and numerous handsome villas, it is the watering-place of Dunbar townfolk; at it are an Established church (stipend £175), a now neglected sulphurous spring, and a public school, with accommodation for 122 children, now closed, while near it are the remains of an ancient British cemetery. It gives a title in the Scottish peerage to James Hamilton, ninth Baron Belhaven and Stenton, a title created in 1647, and dormant from 1868 to 1875. Pop. of village (1871) 369, (1881) 427, (1891) 350. Pop. of *g. s.* parish, in the presbytery of Dunbar and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale. (1871) 1271, (1881) 1344, (1891) 1193.

Belhelvie, a post office hamlet and a coast parish of E Aberdeenshire. The hamlet lies towards the middle of the parish, 5½ miles ESE of New Machar station, and 8 miles N of its post-town, Aberdeen.

The parish is bounded N by Foveran, E by the German Ocean, S by Old Machar, W by New Machar and Udney. It has an extreme length from N to S of 5½ miles, a

breadth from E to W of from 2½ to 5½ miles, and a land area of 12,184 acres. The coast, for 5½ miles, is all a beach of fine sand, backed by low bent-clad sandhills, beyond which lies a narrow alluvial belt of greensward, so nearly level that in 1817 the Ordnance Surveyors chose it for measuring their base-line of 5 miles 100 feet, the southern extremity of that line being 168 and the northern 120 feet above the sea. Further inland the surface is very undulating, and rises westward to 191 feet near Wester Hatton, 255 near the hamlet, 321 at Moss-side, 245 at Hill of Ardo, 455 at Overhill, and 548 at Beauty Hill, whose summit, however, lies just outside the bounds. Seven burns flow eastward to the sea, the Newtyle and Blackdog on the northern and southern boundaries, with the Menie, Orrock, Hopeshill, Eggie, and Pottertown between; and some of the numerous springs are strong chalybeates, others impregnated with sulphuret of iron. A dyke of trap, from 4 to 6 furlongs broad, starts from the Blackdog's mouth to run north-westward through the entire parish, and at one point is flanked by serpentine. Granite is almost the only rock SW of this dyke, but does not occur to the NE, where peat-moss underlies the sandy links. At least one-half of the arable lands of S and W has been reclaimed from moss or moor within the past 60 years; the loams and clays of the central, northern, and eastern divisions have been longer cultivated, and are much more fertile. Plantations of larch and Scotch firs, with clumps of hardwood trees, cover a considerable area, but all are stunted by their eastward exposure. The Hare Cairn is sole survivor out of several tumuli, stone circles, and suchlike prehistoric monuments; but a gold torc armband or neck-ring, discovered in this parish, has found a resting-place in the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum, and is figured on p. 105 of its catalogue. The chief mansions are Menie House in the NE, Balmedie House (W. H. Lumsden) in the E, and Belhelvie Lodge (Lieut.-Gen. Sir H. Burnett Lumsden) near the hamlet; while 10 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, and 1 of from £20 to £50. Belhelvie is in the presbytery and synod of Aberdeen; its minister's income is £179. The new parish church, at Drumhead, 1 mile NE of the hamlet, was erected in 1878 at a cost of £3150. A handsome Gothic structure of grey granite, it is seated for 540, and is surmounted by a belfry, which rises to 70 feet. Its predecessor stood ½ mile further NNE, and, partly dating from pre-Reformation days, is now represented only by the W gable, a Caroline monument to one of the Innises of Blarnton, and a beautiful kirkyard. There are also a Free church (1843) at Pottertown, ½ mile S by W of the hamlet, and a U.P. church (1791) at Shiels, 1½ mile NNW. The public schools of Balmedie (in the E), Craigie (NW), Menie (NE), and Wester Hatton (SE), with respective accommodation for 133, 80, 80, and 80 children, had in 1891 an average attendance of 98, 49, 47, and 38, and grants of £71, 7s., £41, 18s., £41, 2s. 6d., and £31, 7s. Valuation £13,622, 8s. 9d. Pop. (1801) 1428, (1841) 1594, (1871) 1833, (1881) 1850, (1891) 1613.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 77, 1873.

Belivat. See **ARDCLACH**.

Bella, a rivulet of E Ayrshire, rising near the meeting point with Lanark and Dumfries shires, running about 8 miles westward to a confluence with Glenmore Water, 2½ miles ENE of Cumnock, and there combining with Glenmore Water to form the river Lugar.

Belladrum, an estate in Kiltarilly parish, Invernessshire. Its mansion, 4 miles S by W of Beauly, is a splendid modern edifice, and has, connected with it, a farm-steading in a style of architecture corresponding with its own. It is the seat of Arch. Wm. Merry, Esq. (b. 1851; suc. 1877), owner of 5466 acres in the shire, valued at £1976 per annum.

Bellahouston, a *quoad sacra* parish in Govan parish, Lanarkshire, on the north-western verge of the county, to the south-west of Glasgow, to which the district was annexed in 1891. It was constituted in 1869, and it had in 1891 a population of 8376. It contains Bellahouston House, a large number of villas, and Bellahous-

ton farm; and it has a coal-pit, 19½ fathoms deep, yielding high-priced cannel coal. It is in the presbytery of Glasgow and synod of Glasgow and Ayr.

Bellanoch, a village, with a public school, in North Knapdale parish, Argyllshire, near the W end of the Crinan Canal. It has a post office under Lochgilphead, with money order and savings bank departments.

Bell-Craig. See **BELD CRAIG**.

Belleville. See **ALVIE**.

Bellfield, a suburban village on the N border of St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire, immediately N of St Ninians town, in the southern outskirts of Stirling.

Bellfield, a hamlet in Strathmiglo parish, Fife, in the eastern vicinity of Strathmiglo village.

Bellfield, the name of two estates, each with a mansion, in Cupar parish, Fife, and in Riccarton parish, Ayrshire.

Bellfield, an estate, with a mansion, on the NW border of Kirkiatilloch parish, Dumbartonshire.

Bellie, a parish formerly partly in Elginshire and partly in Banffshire, but transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 wholly and for all purposes to the county of Elgin. In its SW section it contains the town of Fochabers, 3 miles E by N of Fochabers station in Speymouth parish, this being 6½ miles ESE of Elgin, and 3½ N by W of Orton Junction. In it are also the villages of Auchenalrig, 3 miles NNE of Fochabers, Upper and Nether Dallachy and Bogmuir, 3, 4, and 3½ miles N by E; Tynet, at the mouth of the Spey, 4½ miles N; and Enzie, 3½ miles ENE. Bounded N by the Moray Firth, E by Rathven and Keith, S by Keith and Boharm, and W by Speymouth and Urquhart, it has an extreme length from N to S of 7½ miles, a breadth from E to W of from 2½ to 4½ miles, and a land area of 12,927 acres. The Spey, through a network of channels, flows 6 miles along all the western, and the Burn of Tynet 5½ miles along the eastern border, while the Burn of Fochabers runs 3½ miles north-westward through the S of the parish, and falls into the Spey at Fochabers. The coastline, 2½ miles long, is raised only 15 and 22 feet above sea-level; and the surface is low for 2 miles inland, as also along the strath of the Spey, which has wandered some 2 miles westward from its original mouth; but it rises S and E to 109 feet near Upper Dallachy, 158 near Auchenalrig, 210 at Ordiga, 657 at Braes Cairn, 866 at Whitesh Hill, 401 at Ordiequish Hill, 624 on Douglas-shiel Moss, and 819 on Thief's Hill, which culminates just within the Boharm boundary. Prevailing rocks are a dark red sandstone and a conglomerate of the Devonian formation, the former of which has been quarried for building, whilst a plentiful *débris* of both in loose decomposed strata has been much used for roads and garden walks. The soil of the low lands, though light and sandy, is fairly productive, but that along all the coast to the breadth of ½ mile is utterly barren, and that of the SE uplands mainly moorish, about a third of the whole area being arable, a third under wood, an eighteenth pasture, and the rest mostly moor. The antiquities include a stone circle at Coveniun, an artificial 'Court Hillock,' some tumuli, and a military work, once thought to be Danish, and next identified with Ptolemy's *Tuessis*, which Skene, however, places in Boharm parish; to these must be added the Bog-of-Gight portions of GORDON CASTLE. On April 12, 1746, four days before the battle of Culloden, part of Cumberland's army forded the Spey above the old church of St Ninian, 1½ mile N by E of Fochabers. Anciently held by Urquhart Priory, this was the parish church till 1797, when it was translated to the town, where are also Free, Episcopal, and Roman Catholic churches and Milne's Free School. The Duke of Richmond and Gordon is chief proprietor, but one other holds an annual value of between £100 and £500. Bellie is in the presbytery of Strathbogie and synod of Moray, its minister's income being £216; but a south-eastern portion of the civil parish is included in the *quoad sacra* parish of ENZIE. A public school at Bogmuir, with accommodation for 203 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 122, and a grant of £128, 6s. 6d. Pop. of civil parish (1791) 1919, (1841) 2433, (1861) 2292, (1871) 2317, (1881) 2370, (1891) 2210;

of *quoad sacra* parish (1871) 2013, (1881) 2047, (1891) 1914.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 85, 95, 1876.

Bell Rock or **Inchcape**, a reef surmounted by a lighthouse in the German Ocean, off the coast of Forfarshire, 11½ miles SE of Arbroath, and 17 ENE of St Andrews. The reef lies in the direct track of navigation to vessels entering either the Firth of Forth or the Firth of Tay; and, prior to the erection of the lighthouse, was regarded by mariners as the most dangerous spot on the eastern coast of Scotland. It consists of red sandstone; measures about 2000 feet in length; lies all, at high water of spring tides, under a minimum depth of 12 feet of water; and to the extent of about 427 feet by 230, is uncovered at spring tide ebbs to a height of about 4 feet. The lighthouse on it was erected, in 1808-11, at a cost of £61,331; and has a circular form, of similar structure and on similar principle to the late Eddystone Lighthouse; consists of granite in the basement and the exterior casing, of sandstone in the interior work; and has a diameter of 42 feet at the base and of 15 under the cornice, the outline being an elliptical curve. It rises to a total height of 120 feet, including 15 in east-iron octagonal framework; has a revolving light, showing alternately red and white every minute, and visible at the distance of 15½ nautical miles; and in thick weather a bell sounds every half-minute, and a charge of cotton powder is fired every ten minutes. The name Bell Rock, however, refers to an old tradition, made popular by Southey's ballad of *The Inchcape Rock*. This tells how the pious Abbot of Aberbrothock here fixed a bell upon a tree or timber, which, ringing continually by the motion of the sea, warned sailors of their peril; how Sir Ralph the Rover wantonly cut the bell away; and how a year after he perished on the rock himself, with ship and goods, in the righteous judgment of God. See Dr Wm. Marshall's *Historic Scenes in Forfarshire*, and the *Life of Robert Stevenson*, by his son, David Stevenson.

Bellshill, a mining town of Bothwell parish, N Lanarkshire, 9 miles by road ESE of Glasgow, 3½ S of Coatbridge, and 4 N by E of Hamilton, with stations on the Uddingston and Holytown branch of the Caledonian, and on the Glasgow, Coatbridge, and Hamilton branch of the North British. It consists chiefly of one main street fully 1½ mile in length, and derives its chief support from ironworks and collieries. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, gasworks, branches of the Bank of Scotland and Clydesdale Bank, and Established (1876), Free (1874), U.P., and Evangelical Union churches. In 1878 it was erected into a *quoad sacra* parish, in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. Two schools, Bellshill and West End, had (1891) respective accommodation for 644 and 261 children, an average attendance of 439 and 219, and grants of £432, 14s. 6d., and £191, 12s. 6d. Pop. (1891) 3330; of *q. s.* parish, 4294.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Bellsquarry, a post-office village, with a public school, in Midcalder parish, Edinburghshire, 2½ miles SW of Midcalder.

Bellycloan, a hamlet in Madderty parish, Perthshire, 6 miles E of Crieff.

Belmaduthie, an estate and seat of Colonel Burton Mackenzie, in Kilmuir-Wester parish, Ross-shire.

Belmeaach, a bay in Portree parish, E side of Skye, Inverness-shire.

Belmont, a mansion in Meikle parish, Perthshire, ¾ mile S of Meikle village. A large, elegant, modern edifice adjoined to an old tower, it stands on a gentle eminence about 200 feet above sea-level; and is a seat of the Right Hon. Henry Campbell-Bannerman, Esq., owner of 1940 acres in the shire, valued at £4214 per annum. Its park contains a tumulus and a block of granite which are popularly associated with the history of Macbeth.

Belmont, a handsome mansion in Unst island, Shetland, in the vicinity of Nyeasound Village.

Belnaboth, an ancient chapelry in Towie parish, Aberdeenshire. Ruins of its chapel still exist.

Belnagoak, a heathy hill, rising 560 feet above sea-level, in the N of Methlick parish, Aberdeenshire.

Belnahua. See BELNAHUAIGH.

Belrinnes. See BEN RINNES.

Belses, a village in the W of Ancrum parish, Roxburghshire, adjacent to the Waverley branch of the North British railway, 7¼ miles NNE of Hawick. A station on the railway here serves for Ancrum village and Lilliesleaf, and a sandstone quarry is in the neighbourhood.

Belston, an estate in Carluke parish, Lanarkshire. It originally formed part of the barony of Mauldslie; and it passed to successively the Livingstones, the Lindsays, the Maxwells, and Lord Douglas. It contains coal and ironstone.

Belton, an ancient parish, now incorporated with Dunbar, in Haddingtonshire. It lies along Beltonford Water to Belhaven Bay. Originally a chapelry, bearing the name of Heatherwick, it was constituted a parish subsequent to the erection of Dunbar church into a collegiate establishment, and it was re-annexed to Dunbar, at the cessation of the collegiate charge in 1560. Belton and Heatherwick are estates in it; and Belton House, the mansion on Belton estate, stands in a beautiful winding glen, embosomed among stately trees, 2½ miles SW of Dunbar town.

Beltonford, a rivulet of Haddingtonshire. It rises on the Lammermuir Hills at the E side of Garvald parish, runs about 8 miles north-north-eastward to the sea at Belhaven Bay; traverses some of the most beautiful scenery in the county; is adorned, over more than one-half of its entire course, with the parks of Munraw, Overfield, Whittingham, Bell, and Belton; and has, on its left bank, 2½ miles SW of Dunbar, a hamlet of Beltonford, with paper-mills, and a railway station, but for goods only.

Beltrees, a hamlet in Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire, 1½ mile E by S of Lochwinnoch town.

Belty, a rivulet of Aberdeenshire and Kincardineshire. It rises in the N corner of Kincardine-O'Neil parish; runs southward through the centre of that parish; passes into Banchory-Ternan parish; falls into the Dee at a point 2½ miles W of Banchory; and has a total course of about 8½ miles. It includes, within its valley, the greater part of the low arable lands of Kincardine-O'Neil. It has occasionally done great damage to these lands in times of freshet; and, in the year 1829, it swept away two stone bridges and materially injured three more.

Belwood, a modern mansion in Glencross parish, Edinburghshire, 1½ mile N by W of Penicuik.

Belwood, an estate, with a mansion, in Kinnoul parish, Perthshire. The mansion is modern, and occupies a very striking position on the face of Kinnoul Hill, fronting Perth.

Bemersyde, a hamlet, a mansion, and an estate in Merton parish, Berwickshire. The hamlet lies 1½ mile N by E of Dryburgh Abbey, and 2½ NE of St Boswells. The mansion, to the SW of the hamlet, and near the left bank of the Tweed, is an old baronial pile, built in conformity to an Act of Parliament of 1535, 'for bigging of strengthis on the Bordsouris'; and has always been the seat of the Haig family, one of the most ancient in the S of Scotland, its present owner being Lieut.-Col. Arthur Balfour Haig (b. 1840; suc. 1878), owner of 1357 acres in the shire, valued at £2010 per annum. The Haigs, or De Hugas, of Norman origin, possessed the lands of Bemersyde as early as the 12th century; and, till a recent period, they always held them in a line of direct descent, thus verifying the prophecy, ascribed to True Thomas of Erildoun:—

'Tide, tide, whate'er betide,
There's aye be Haigs of Bemersyde.'

The crest (540 feet) of a public road over Bemersyde Hill commands a view of the valley of the Tweed from Abbotsoford down to the Cheviots; here Scott would always rein up his horse, and here by some accident his horse was brought for several minutes to a standstill. This view was pronounced by Elish Burritt, the learned American blacksmith, to be, with exception of that from Stirling Castle, the most magnificent he ever saw in

Scotland, 'so truly beautiful as to be beyond description.' On the estate is a mighty Spanish chestnut, only 50 feet high, but girthing 27½ feet at the base. See Jn. Russell's *Hazels of Benersyde* (Edinb. 1831).

Ben A'an. See BEN AVON and TROSSACHS.

Ben-a-Bhragie, a mountain in Golspie parish, SW Sutherland, 1½ mile WNW of Golspie church. It consists of Old Red sandstone and breccia, and rises 1256 feet above sea-level. It is crowned by a colossal statue, designed by Chantrey, of the first Duke of Sutherland (d. 1833).

Ben-a-Bhuiridh (Gael. 'mountain of rearing'), a summit in the SE of Ardechtan parish, Argyllshire, 2936 feet high, and 2½ miles ESE of the top of Ben Cruchan, of which huge mountain it is virtually a shoulder.

Benaburd (Gael. *beinn-a-bhuird*, 'flat or table mountain'), one of the Cairngorms, in Crathie and Braemar parish, SW Aberdeenshire, to the N of the upper glen of Quich Water, and 7 miles NW of Castleton of Braemar. A broad-backed granite ridge, abounding in beautiful rock crystals, it has two summits 1½ mile apart, the southern being 3860, and the northern (upon the Banffshire boundary) 3924, feet above the level of the sea. The latter, from a perfectly flat top, commands a magnificent view, and was ascended by the Queen and the Prince Consort, 6 Sept. 1850. See pp. 87, 88, of the *Queen's Journal*.

Ben-a-Chaisteil, a mountain (2897 feet) on the mutual border of Perth and Argyll shires, 4½ miles NNE of Tyndrum station.

Ben Achallader, a mountain (3399 feet) on the mutual border of Perth and Argyll shires, 2½ miles E of Loch Tulla.

Benachally, a mountain on the mutual border of Clunie and Caputh parishes, Perthshire, 7½ miles WNW of Blairgowrie. It rises to a height of 1594 feet above sea-level, and commands a splendid view of Stormont, Strathmore, the inland side of the Siddlows and the Ochils, and a vast extent of the Grampians, together with dim glimpses of the Pentlands and the Lammermuirs. On its north-eastern side, at an elevation of some 950 feet, is a triangular loch, 7 furlongs long and 3½ wide; and in its eastern face is a large cavern, 'The Drop,' so called from the continual dropping of water from the roof.

Benachaolis. See JURA.

Benachie. See BENNOCHIE.

Ben-a-Chleibh, a summit on the mutual border of Perth and Argyll shires, 3008 feet high, and 1 mile WSW of BENLOY, of which it forms a shoulder.

Ben a' Choin, a mountain (2524 feet) on the mutual border of Dumbarton and Perth shires, 1½ mile E of Loch Lomond, and 2½ NNE of Inversnaid.

Ben-a-Chroin, a mountain (3101 feet) on the mutual border of Killin and Balquhider parishes, W Perthshire, 5½ miles W by S of the head of Loch Voil.

Ben Aigan, a mountain in the SW of Boharm parish, Banffshire, 1544 feet high, and 2½ miles E by S of Rothes village on the left and opposite side of the Spey.

Ben Alder or **Ben Auler**, a broad wild range of the central Grampians, on the southern border of Laggan parish, S Inverness-shire, extending between Loch Laggan and Loch Erich. It presents grandly picturesque features, and culminates at an altitude of 3757 feet above sea-level, 2½ miles W of Loch Erich. Near Benalder Lodge, at its southern base, is a remarkable cave, in which Prince Charles Edward lay concealed in September 1746. Benalder deer-forest belongs to Sir John Ramsden, Bart. of ARDVERKIE.

Ben Alisky, a mountain (1142 feet) in the S of Halkirk parish, Caithness, 12 miles NNW of Berriedale.

Benalligin, a mountain in Gairloch parish, Ross-shire, flanking the north-eastern shore of Loch Torridon, 6 miles N by E of Shieldaig, and rising 3015 feet above the sea.

Benan (Gael. *beinn-n'an*, 'mountain of the river'), a hill in Straiton parish, Ayrshire, 1 mile S of Straiton village. Its altitude is 929 feet.

Benan, a headland in the S of Arran, Buteshire, 2½

miles W of Pladda island. It terminates the lofty basaltic range of the Stroney Rocks; is a massive cuneiform protrusion, narrowing downward; and consists of various kinds of trap rock, irregularly intermingled.

Ben-an-Armuinn, a mountain in the NW angle of Clyne parish, Sutherland, overhanging the SE shore of Loch Coir 'an Fhearna, 21 miles WNW of Helmsdale. Its highest summits are Craig Mhor (2338 feet above sea-level) and 3½ miles to the NW, Craig nah-Iolair (2278 feet).

Ben-an-Lochaim, a mountain in Lochgoilhead parish, Cowal, Argyllshire, overhanging Glen Kinglas, and culminating 4½ miles N by E of the head of Loch Goil, at 2955 feet above sea-level. It takes its name from Loch Restil, a tarn on its eastern slope, 4 furlongs long by 1 wide, and abounding in small trout.

Benanoir. See JURA.

Ben-an-Tuire (Gael. 'mountain of the wild boar'), a mountain on the mutual border of Saddle and Killcan parishes, Kintyre, Argyllshire, 10 miles N by E of Campbelltown. It rises to an altitude of 1491 feet above sea-level.

Benarmin. See BEN-AN-ARMUINN.

Ben Arthur or **The Cobbler**, a mountain on the NE border of Cowal, Argyllshire, 2½ miles WNW of Arrochar village. Flanking the northern side of the mouth of Glencroe, it overhangs the head of Loch Long, and figures grandly through vistas and gaps of the neighbouring mountains. With an altitude of 2891 feet above sea-level, it presents a shattered peaky crest, rising in bold relief against the sky; and, as seen from the E, shows a sharp fantastic outline, fancied to resemble that of a shoemaker at work. It is both difficult and dangerous of ascent, being often enveloped in mists or clouds; but when scaled by a daring mountaineer on a clear day, it rewards him for his toil by one of the most extraordinary prospects to be anywhere seen in Britain, over a vast bewildering expanse of mountains, glens, and lakes.

Benarty, a flat-topped hill on the mutual border of Ballingry parish, Fife, and Cleish and Kinross parishes, Kinross-shire. It culminates 1 mile S of the southern shore of Loch Leven, at 1167 feet above sea-level. An ancient camp crowns its south-western shoulder; and Benarty House, within Ballingry parish, stands at its southern base.

Ben Atow (Gael. *beinn fhada*), a mountain on the mutual border of Ross and Inverness shires, separating the head of Strathairn from Glenshiel, 5½ miles E of salt-water Loch Duich. Forming part of the backbone of Scotland, it rises 3383 feet above sea-level (not 4000 as commonly said), and by BEALACH Pass is parted from Scur na Cairn (3771 feet).

Ben Auler. See BEN ALDER.

Benaveallich, a mountain on the mutual border of Loth and Kildonan parishes, E Sutherland, 5½ miles W of Helmsdale, and 1940 feet high above sea-level.

Benavere or **Beinn-a-Bheithir**, a mountain on the ARDSHEL estate in the N of Appin, Argyllshire, culminating in Sgorr Dhearg, 2 miles SW of Ballachulish village, and 3362 feet above the level of the neighbouring Lochs Leven and Linnhe.

Ben Avon, a mountain on the mutual border of Crathie parish, Aberdeenshire, and Kirkmichael parish, Banffshire, 7 miles N by W of Castleton of Braemar. It flanks the upper part of Glenavon; adjoins Benabound, one of the Cairngorm group of the Grampians; and has an altitude of 3845 feet above sea-level.

Ben Ban, a lofty hill in the N of Kilmartin parish, Argyllshire, near the head or south-western extremity of Loch Awe. It commands a splendid view of the basin and screens of Loch Awe, and of the basin of Loch Fyne and the Firth of Clyde to Cowal, Arran, Kintyre, and Ayrshire.

Benbecula (Gael. *beinn-na-faochail*, 'mountain of the fords'), an island of South Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It lies between the islands of North and South Uist, being separated from the former by a sound 3½ miles broad, containing a number of small islands and islets, from the latter by a channel ½ mile broad in the

narrowest part, and dry at low water. It has a somewhat circular outline, about 8 miles in diameter. Its shores are indented with almost innumerable baylets and headlands; its general surface is low flat land, torn into shreds by intersections of the sea, and by a multitude of inland lakelets; and its soil is so sandy and barren as to yield but a very scanty sustenance to the inhabitants. 'The sea here,' says Dr Macculloch, 'is all islands, and the land all lakes. That which is not rock is sand; that which is not mud is bog; that which is not bog is lake; and that which is not lake is sea; and the whole is a labyrinth of islands, peninsulas, promontories, bays, and channels.' Yet, though little better than a patch of wilderness, half swamped in ocean, Benbecula was an ancient property of the chiefs of Clanranald, had once a nunnery, and still has remains of an old baronial castle. Much land, since about the year 1830, has been reclaimed from a state of moss; and great attention is given to the raising of live stock and to fishing. A missionary of the royal bounty has a church on the island; where also is a Roman Catholic church (1884; 400 sittings). Mrs Gordon's Female Industrial School, with accommodation for 218 children, has an average attendance of about 80. Pop. (1841) 2107, (1861) 1485, (1871) 1563, (1881) 1661, (1891) 1534; of registration district (1871) 1651, (1881) 1781, (1891) 1659.

Benbeoch, a summit in Dalmellington parish, Ayrshire, 1521 feet high, and 1½ mile NE of the village.

Ben Bheog, a mountain in Strachur parish, Cowal, Argyllshire, flanking the western shore of the upper waters of Loch Eck, and culminating exactly opposite Whistlefield inn at 2029 feet above sea-level.

Ben Bheula, a mountain on the mutual border of Strachur and Lochgoilhead parishes, Cowal, Argyllshire, culminating 2 miles NE of the head of Loch Eck, at 2557 feet above sea-level.

Benbhraggie. See BEN-A-BHRAGIE.

Benblath, a mountain summit in Strath parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. It is associated with Beilig and Marseo summits, and it and they soar in fantastic outline, and vie in romantic grandeur with the neighbouring pinnacles of Cuchullin.

Benbord. See BENABOURD.

Benbrack, a summit in Dalmellington parish, Ayrshire, 1621 feet high, and 3 miles E of the village.

Ben Breac, a summit (946 feet) on the W coast of Ross-shire, between Loch Ewe and Gair Loch.

Benbreck, a quondam residence of an ancient branch of the noble family of Galloway, in Dalry parish, Kirkcudbrightshire. It is now a fragmentary ruin.

Benbui (Gael. *beinn bhuidhe*, 'yellow mountain'), a mountain in Inverary parish, Argyllshire, 9½ miles NE of Inverary town. It rises to an altitude of 8106 feet above sea-level, and makes a grand figure in the scenery around the head of Loch Fyne. In Benbui farm at its south-western base, and at the confluence of Brannie Burn with the Shira, Rob Roy Macgregor lodged for some time at the cost of the Duke of Montrose.

Ben Buy, a mountain in the SE of Mull island, Argyllshire, overhanging the head of Loch Buy. It has an altitude of 2352 feet above sea-level.

Ben Cailleach, a mountain (2387 feet) on the SE seaboard of Skye, Inverness-shire, adjacent to Kyle-Rhea strait, and nearly opposite the mouth of Loch Alsh.

Bencairn or **Bengairn**, a heathy mountain in the N of Rerwick parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, 5 miles S by E of Castle-Douglas. It rises to an altitude of 1280 feet above sea-level; is surmounted by a very ancient cairn; and presents a bold and picturesque appearance, commanding an extensive and magnificent view over the waters of the Solway Firth.

Benchat, a mountain in Blair Athole parish, Perthshire, one of the Athole Grampians, rising 2942 feet above sea-level.

Benchaorach (Gael. 'mountain of the sheep'), a summit in Ardschattan parish, Argyllshire, 2½ miles E of the head of Loch Etive, and 2848 feet high above sea-level.

Benchaorach, a mountain on the mutual border of

Luss and Row parishes, Dumbartonshire, 4½ miles W by S of Luss village. It has an altitude of 2338 feet above sea-level.

Ben Chapull, a mountain in Kilninver parish, Argyllshire, 8½ miles SE of Oban. Rising 1684 feet above sea-level, it towers above all the neighbouring hills, and commands an extensive view to the W and the N. Its name signifies 'mare's mountain.'

Benchill, an estate in Redgorton parish, Perthshire. It belonged to the Gowrie family, who generally were provosts of Perth. Forfeited to the Crown after the Gowrie conspiracy, it passed to the Arnots, who also long were provosts of Perth, and from them to the noble family of Nairn; and, with the exception of Nether Benchill, it was again forfeited to the Crown after the rebellion of 1745.

Benchinnan, the section of the Grampian Mountains within Forfarshire. Extending about 24 miles from NE to SW, and from 9 to 15 in the opposite direction, it is divided from Aberdeenshire and Perthshire by a lofty line of watershed, so as to have a general declivity toward the SE; and it possesses comparative continuity or compactness, yet is cloven by North Glenesk, Glen Cotimet, South Glenesk, Glenprosen, Glenisla, and a number of lesser glens. Along some of the glens it exhibits bold and terrific precipices, but in general consists of tame rounded masses, mostly covered with stunted heath, or with a thin coat of moorish soil; and, as seen from the seaboard of the county, it forms a magnificent background to a rich expanse of lowland scenery, and forms a picturesque sky-line along the horizon.

Benchochail or **Beinn a' Chochuill**, a mountain on the mutual border of Ardschattan and Glenorchy parishes, Argyllshire, 3½ miles NE of the summit of Ben Cruachan. Rising to a height of 3215 feet above sea-level, it would anywhere else seem massive and lofty, but by the side of its gigantic neighbour, it is dwarfed into a hill of moderate size.

Ben Chonzie, a mountain of Perthshire, culminating at 3043 feet above sea-level, exactly on the meeting-point of Comrie, Monzievaird, Monzie, and Killin parishes, 1½ mile S of the upper waters of the Almond, and 5½ miles N of Comrie village. Its name signifies 'the mossy mountain,' and alludes to a tract of about 40 acres of whitish moss on its summit.

Ben Clachan, a mountain in Applecross parish, Ross-shire, on the seaboard opposite the northern extremity of Raasay island. Its height is 2028 feet above the sea.

Benclouch, a mountain on the mutual border of Tili-coutry parish, Clackmannanshire, and Alva parish, Stirlingshire. The loftiest of the Ochils, it rises to a height of 2363 feet above sea-level, overhanging the head of the romantic Glen of Alva; and it commands one of the widest and most brilliant views in Scotland.

Benclibrick or **Beinn Cleith-hric** (Gael. 'strong, spotted mountain'), a mountain in the S of Farr parish, central Sutherland, between Loch Naver and Loch Coir'an Fhearna. The conical Meall an Eòin, its highest point, 3 miles SSE of the head of Loch Naver, rises to an altitude of 3154 feet above sea-level, and commands a striking prospect from the German Ocean to the Atlantic, and from the Ross mountains to Orkney. A cavern in it, at Carnavaddy, was the retreat of a notable outlaw in last century, who made great havoc among the deer and cattle of the surrounding country.

Bencoianach or **Benchorach**, a mountain 2338 feet high, on the mutual border of Row and Luss parishes, Dumbartonshire, culminating 4½ miles W by S of Luss village, and separating the head-streams of Luss and Fruin Waters.

Ben Creachan, a mountain close to the mutual border of Perth and Argyll shires, 4 miles E of the head of Loch Tulla. One of the grandest of the Central Grampians, it rises 3540 feet above sea-level.

Bencroghan, the principal summit of a hill-range nearly through the middle, and almost from end to end, of North Uist island, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It has an altitude of about 1500 feet above sea-level.

Ben Cruachan (Gael. 'cone-shaped mountain'), a moun-

tain in Lorn, Argyllshire. It fills all the space between Loch Awe and the upper reach of Loch Etive; measures fully 20 miles in circuit round the base, and rises to an altitude of 3689 feet above sea-level. It flanks the entire extent of the lower or outspread part of Loch Awe; soars, in magnificent mass, to the sky-line of all the view down Loch Awe basin; and is subtended on the NE by vast mountain ranges extending to Glencoe. It ascends steeply on the N, so as to be fully seen at near points from base to summit; but it ascends gradually, or somewhat gently, on the S and the W, and can be climbed, on these sides, with considerable ease. Its lower parts are extensively covered with natural wood, its upper parts are bare and tumulated; and its summit is split into two steep or spire-like cones. The view from it is wide, diversified, and very gorgeous, little if at all inferior to that from Ben Lawers, and excelled in Scotland by no other unless it be from Ben Lomond. Reddish granite, of porphyritic appearance, forms its main rock; clay slate, with veins of quartz, occurs near its base; and sea-shells have been found on its very summit.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 45, 1876.

Ben Damhain, a mountain in the NW corner of Arrochar parish, Dumbartonshire, contiguous to the meeting-point with Perthshire and Argyllshire. It has an altitude of 2242 feet above sea-level.

Bendeanavaig (Gael. 'hill of defence'), a mountain in Portree parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, to the S of Portree harbour. It rises to a height of 1348 feet; like the neighbouring monarch-mountain of Ait-Suidhe-Thuin, is capped with a green hillock; and has so remarkable a form as to be a sure landmark to mariners. In its seaward bases are tide-washed caverns, where sea-fowl and wild pigeons build; and, athwart steep declivities overhanging the sea, are numerous conical rocks, green or heathy on their tops, and interspersed with ravines and pastoral hollows.

Ben Dearg or Dearig (Gael. 'red mountain'), a mountain in the E of Lochbroom parish, Ross-shire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of the head of Loch Broom. It overhangs the N side of a fine wooded glen, leading down to the head of Loch Broom, and it rises to an altitude of 3547 feet above sea-level. Its chief rock is gneiss, with veins of granite and beds of quartz rock.

Ben Dearg, a Grampian summit in the N of Blair Athole parish, Perthshire, culminating $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by W of Blair Athole village, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ S of the Inverness-shire border, at 3304 feet above sea-level. It flanks the E side of the upper part of Glenbruar, and is the most remarkable of the numerous mountains of Blair Athole, taking its name from a vein of red stone, said to be a kind of granite.

Ben-derg-veg and **Ben-derg-vore**, two summits on or near the NE border of Eddrachvills parish, NW Sutherland, respectively $5\frac{1}{2}$ and $8\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by E of Cape Wrath, and 1391 and 1528 feet high.

Bendhu or **Bendubb**, a mountain 2108 feet high, in Luss parish, Dumbartonshire, culminating $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Luss village.

Bendochy, a parish of E Perthshire, that, with a total area of 9529 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres, formerly consisted of three separate sections, parted from one another by intervals 2 miles and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile wide—Bendochy proper, or the south-eastern section, the Drimmie or middle section, and the Persie or north-western section. The Boundary Commissioners in 1891 transferred the Persie section (containing 2999 acres) to the parish of Kirkmichael, and the Drimmie section (containing 904 acres) to the parish of Blairgowrie, but took from Blairgowrie parish one of its detached portions (1742 acres) and Parkhead estate, and placed them in Bendochy parish. The reconstituted parish of Bendochy is bounded NE by Alyth, SE and S by Coupar-Angus, W. by Blairgowrie and Rattray, with the added or Crenchies portion of Blairgowrie parish on the NW. It has an extreme length from N by E to S by W of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and a breadth from E to W of from $\frac{3}{4}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles. The ISLA, here a deep and sluggish river, 75 yards wide below the church, where it is spanned by a five-arched bridge (1766), winds 7 miles south-west-

ward, roughly tracing all the Meikle and Coupar-Angus boundary; and its affluent, the Burn of Alyth, for $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile marks the north-eastern border. The Ardie and the Black Water (for 8 miles of its upper reaches known as the Shee) unite near Strone House to form the 'ireful' ERICHT, a stream that runs $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile through Bendochy, falling there into the Isla, a river which abounds with small trout. Here Bendochy, belonging to STRATHMORE, is low and relatively level, declining to 100 and nowhere exceeding 229 feet above sea-level; but it rises gradually northwards to 397 feet near Pictfield, and to 918 feet in the Hill of St Fink, thence again sinking north-eastwards to 500 feet along the Burn of Alyth. Devonian rocks predominate in Bendochy, where are several sandstone quarries; the soil is alluvial on the best arable lands, and elsewhere ranges from strong loam to thin moorish earth. Principal Playfair of St Andrews was a native. Mansions are Hill of Countie, Isla Bank, Wester Bendochy, Mudhall, and St Fink. The Drimmie or middle section, that transferred to the parish of Blairgowrie, is about 2 miles long from N to S by $1\frac{1}{2}$ broad, has a northward ascent from less than 500 feet to over 900, and contains the mansion of Rannagulzeon House. The Persie or north-western section, that transferred to the parish of Kirkmichael, is $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles long from N to S, by from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to about 2 miles broad, has an ascent from 595 feet at Strone House to 1131 at Monks Cally, 1097 near Paterlach, 1000 at Craighead, and 1458 at Knock of Balmyle, culminating just beyond the NW angle, and for mansions has Strone House and Cally. Plutonic rocks predominate in the Persie section, where fuller's earth and clay-slate have been worked. For church, school, and registration purposes, the two north-western sections are included in the *quoad sacra* parish of PERSIE; and Bendochy proper constitutes another *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Meikle and synod of Angus and Mearns, its minister's income being £257. The ancient church (repaired 1803; 380 sittings) stands 2 miles N of the post-town, Coupar-Angus; and 1 mile further N is a public school, which, with accommodation for 75 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 29 and a grant of £39, 9s. 6d. Valuation (1892) £8919, 11s. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 499, (1891) 478; of civil parish (1881) 715, (1891) 668.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 48, 56, 1868-70.

Ben Donich, a mountain in Lochgoilhead parish, Cowal, Argyllshire, culminating $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of the head of Loch Goil, at 2774 feet above sea-level.

Ben Doran or **Doireann** (Gael. 'stormy mountain'), a mountain in Glenorchy parish, Argyllshire, near the eastern border of the county, 3 miles SE of the efflux of the Orchy river from Loch Tulla. It rises to an altitude of 3523 feet above sea-level; and it has been rendered famous among Highlanders by the Gaelic muse of Duncan Ban M'Intyre.

Bendubb. See BENDHU.

Ben Ducteach, a mountain (1750 feet) at the meeting-point of Dumbaron, Perth, and Stirling shires, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E by S of the head of Loch Lomond.

Beneaddan or **Ben Yadain**, a mountain in Morvern parish, Argyllshire. Flanking the southern shore of Loch Sunart, it rises to an altitude of 1873 feet above sea-level; toward the summit is an excavated flight of steps, called Cenmanan Fhin or Fingal's Stair.

Beneagen. See BEN AIGAN.

Ben Eay, a mountain (3309 feet) in Gairloch parish, W Ross-shire, 5 miles S of Loch Maree.

Ben Eich, a mountain in Luss parish, Dumbartonshire, on the N side of Luss Water, 4 miles W by N of Luss village. It has an altitude of 2302 feet above sea-level.

Benein or **Am Binnein** (Gael. 'mountain of birds'), a mountain on the mutual border of Balquhider and Killin parishes, Perthshire, culminating $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of BENMORE, at 3927 feet above sea-level.

Ben Eoin, a mountain in the S of Sutherland, overhanging the N side of Strath Oykel, 17 miles WNW of Bonar-Bridge.

Benevachart, a mountain (3000 feet) on the mutual

border of Inverness and Ross shires, 10 miles W by S of Beaully.

Beneveian (Gael. *beinn a mhacdhoin*, 'middle mountain'), a loch and a mountain of Glenaffric in Kilmorack parish, NW Inverness-shire. An expansion of the river Affric, the lake lies 22 miles SW of Beaully, and 6 of Glenaffric Hotel, at an altitude of some 700 feet; is 2½ miles long and from 1 to 3¼ furlongs wide; receives the Fiadhach and 8 or 9 smaller streams and brooks; and opens at its head into Loch an Laghair (¾ × ¼ mile). It belongs to The Chisholm, who has boats upon its waters, which abound in trout, running 3 to the lb. The mountain culminates ¾ mile from the loch's north-western shore at 2003 feet above sea-level.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 72, 1880.

Ben Phada. See BEN ATTOV and BENEVEDAN.

Benfile, a mountain in Gairloch parish, Ross-shire, at the SE extremity of the southern screen of Loch Marec. It has a stately base and a lofty altitude; it terminates in two sharp lofty peaks of snow-white quartz; and it makes a dazzling appearance under a play of sunshine.

Ben Fin, a mountain in the central part of Ross-shire, overhanging the S side of the head of Loch Fannich.

Ben Freiceadain, a steep rocky hill (700 feet) in Reay parish, Caithness, 8 miles SE of Reay village. It is crowned with an ancient fort nearly a mile in circumference.

Bengailan, a hill in Campbeltown parish, Kintyre, Argyllshire, 1½ mile SSE of Campbeltown. Rising 1154 feet above sea-level, it commands a splendid panoramic view over Kintyre, the southern Hebrides, the north of Ireland, and the Firth of Clyde.

Bengairn. See BENCALRN.

Bengall, a hamlet in Dryfesdale parish, Dumfriesshire, 3 miles SW of Lockerbie. It stands at the W base of two hills, separated from each other by a narrow morass, and crowned by respectively a Caledonian and a Roman camp; and from these two camps it takes its name, signifying 'the hill of the Gael.'

Bengharbhlagain. See BEN PHARLAGAIN.

Ben Ghulbhuaia (Gael. 'mountain of the little beak'), a mountain (2641 feet) at the head of Glenshee, Kirk-michael parish, NE Perthshire, near the meeting-point with Forfar and Aberdeen shires. It is held by tradition to have been the scene of a hunting-match which proved fatal to Diarmid, one of the Fingalian heroes; and on itself, or on spots adjacent to it, are the alleged grave of Diarmid, the den of the wild boar which was hunted, a spring called Tober-nam-Fiann ('the fountain of the Fingalians'), and a small lake, Loch-an-Tuirc ('the bear's loch').

Benglass, a mountain in the N of Luss parish, Dum-bartonshire, overhanging the S side of Glendouglas, 1½ mile W of Loch Lomond, and 3¼ NW of Luss village. It has a romantic outline, and rises 2149 feet above sea-level.

Benglo (Gael. *beinn a'ghlo*, 'the hazy mountain'), a mountain range in Blair Athole parish, Perthshire, flanking the greater part of the south-eastern side of Glen Tilt, and culminating 8 miles NE of Blair Athole. It rises from a vast base to a group of five summits, the highest of which has an altitude of 3671 feet above sea-level.

Benguais, a central summit (2597 feet) of the mountains of Arran, abutting from the S end of the great middle northern range of Arran, overhanging the head of Glen Rosie on the E, flanking the middle part of Glen Iorsa on the W, and culminating about midway between the E coast N of Brodick and the W coast N of Dugarry. A wild burn, called Garavalt, drains all its E side, makes a fine cascade, traverses a granitic gorge, and plunges headlong into Glen Rosie.

Ben Oleach, a mountain of NW Ross-shire, between Loch Broom and Little Loch Broom, 5 miles W of Ullapool. It rises 2074 feet above the neighbouring sea.

Ben Griam Bheag and **Ben Griam Mhor** (Gael. 'small and large mountains of the sun'), two mountains in the N of Kildonan parish, E Sutherland, with summits (2½

miles asunder) 1903 and 1936 feet high above sea-level. The north eastern of the two, Ben Griam Bheag, extends into Reay parish, its summit rising just upon the border, 3½ miles WSW of Forsinard station.

Ben Gualann, a mountain on the mutual border of Drymen and Buchanan parishes, Stirlingshire, 3½ miles NE of Loch Lomond at Balmaha. It has an altitude of 1514 feet above sea-level.

Ben Gulabin. See BEN GHULBHUINN.

Bengullion. See BENGAILLAN.

Benhar, a village in Whitburn parish, Linlithgowshire, adjacent to the boundary with Lanarkshire, 1½ mile NNW of Fauldhouse station. Benhar, joined with Harthill, forms a *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Hamilton. A coalfield is adjacent, lying under an alluvial bed 7 fathoms and 3 feet thick, and containing a seam of coal 18 inches thick, and a seam of splint coal 3 feet 8 inches thick. Pop. (1891) 707; of *g. s. par.*, 2501.

Benhee, a mountain on the south-eastern border of Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland, culminating 5 miles E by S of the head of Loch More, at an altitude of 2864 feet above sea-level.

Benheinish, a hill in Tiree island, Argyllshire. It is the highest ground in the island, and has an altitude of about 450 feet above sea-level.

Benhiand, a mountain summit in Ardnamurchan parish, Argyllshire. It is the highest ground in the range of hills traversing Ardnamurchan proper, and it has an altitude of 1271 feet above sea-level.

Benhiel, a mountain in the N of Sutherland, forming part of the grand alpine screens of Loch Loyal.

Benholm, a coast parish of Kincardineshire, traversed by the Montrose and Bervie section of the North British railway, and containing the fishing village of JOHNSHAVEN, with postal, money order, savings bank, and telegraph office under Montrose, and with a station 9 miles NNE of Montrose and 4½ SSE of Bervie. Bounded NW by Garvock, N and NE by Bervie, SE by the German Ocean, and SW by St Cyrus, it has an extreme length from N to S of 3¼ miles, a width from E to W of 3½ miles, and a land area of 4891 acres. The shore, about 1½ mile long, is low but rocky; has been the scene of many shipwrecks; and seems to be touched by a northward ocean current, the bodies of persons drowned in the Firth of Forth having been cast up here. Along it runs a former sea-bottom, 300 yards broad on an average and almost level with the sea, which, partly consisting of shingle but chiefly of sea sand mixed with pebbles or small boulders, has all, except at Johnshaven, been artificially covered with soil, and made either arable or pastoral, one portion of it having been thus reclaimed as late as 1863. Beyond, the ancient sea margin, steep in some places, in others sloping, is very distinctly marked; and thence the ground inland ascends unequally towards the NW. A chain of little heather-capped hills rise to 452, 495, and 415 feet on the SW border, and to 563 feet in the westernmost corner of the parish; on the Bervie boundary are Gourdon Hill (436 feet), Knox Hill (523), and Kenshot Hill (618). The rocks are Devonian and eruptive—sandstone, conglomerate, and trap; and wherever exposed, their surfaces are found to be grooved and striated by glacial action towards the SW by W. Sandstone is worked on the Brotherton and Benholm estates, and that on the former is the best building stone in the county. The soil for 1½ mile from the shore is early, productive, and well adapted for all sorts of crops; but in the upper district is later and less fertile, and much here that formerly was moor and waste has been reclaimed only within the last half century. Antiquities are an oblong beacon cairn on Gourdon Hill, Kenshot and Philla Cairns in the NW, and the square Tower of Benholm to the N of the church, supposed to have been founded early in the 15th century, and still entire, though uninhabited. A seat of the Keiths, Earls Marischal, this was the scene in 1623 of a theft by the fifth earl's widowed countess of money and jewels to a great amount (Chambers's *Dom. Ann.*, i. 530). Brotherton House, a fine mansion rebuilt in the Baronial style in 1866, stands near the shore a little above Johnshaven,

and is the seat of Hercules Scott, Esq., whose ancestors have held the estate for 200 years and more, and who himself is owner of 3912 acres in the shire of £5388 annual value. One other proprietor holds a yearly value of £500 and upwards, and 1 of from £50 to £100, while 5 hold each between £20 and £50. Benholm is in the presbytery of Fordoun and synod of Angus and Mearns; its minister's income is £271. The parish church (1832; 768 sittings) is $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Johnshaven, and near it is a public school, with accommodation for 76 children, an average attendance (1891) of 62, and a grant of £49, 17s.; while at Johnshaven are an Established mission church, a Free church, a U.P. church, and another public school. Valuation (1891) £8912, 7s. 10d., including £1629 for the railway. Pop. (1891) 1552.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 57, 57A, 66, 67, 1863-74.

Benhonzie. See BEN CHONZIE.

Ben Hope, a mountain near the eastern border of Durness parish, Sutherland, culminating $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E by S of the head of Loch Hope at 3040 feet above sea-level. It has a rounded mass and imposing precipices, and, as seen from the W, it presents perhaps the most picturesque mountain outline in the kingdom. It consists chiefly of mica slate and quartzite.

Ben Horn or Beinn nan Corn, a mountain on the mutual border of Golspie and Clyne parishes, Sutherland, culminating $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Golspie village, at 1706 feet above sea-level, and consisting of Old Red sandstone and breccia.

Ben Hutig, a mountain in the NW of Tongue parish, Sutherland, extending to the coast, and culminating $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Ceana Geal Mor or Whiten Head at 1340 feet above sea-level. Consisting chiefly of gneiss, it forms the commencement of a range about 10 miles long, which terminates suddenly in the huge and grand Ben Hope.

Ben Ime, a mountain on the mutual border of Lochgoilhead and Kilmorich parishes, E Argyllshire, culminating $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Arrochar village at 3318 feet above sea-level.

Ben Inivaig. See BENEANAVAIG.

Beninturk. See BEN-AN-TURK.

Ben Killilan, a mountain (2466 feet) in Kintail parish, SW Ross-shire, 7 miles N by E of the head of Loch Duich.

Benkitlan or Ben Ceitlein, a mountain in Ardcattan parish, Argyllshire, culminating in Stob Dubh (2897 feet above sea-level), $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of the left bank of the river Etive, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Ballachulish.

Benkibrick. See BENCLIBRICK.

Ben Lair or Larig, a mountain (2817 feet) in Gairloch parish, Ross-shire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the NE shore of Loch Maree. It dips romantic skirts into the lake; ascends in broad, graceful outline; and is indented, toward the summit, with a series of shell-shaped corries.

Ben Laoghal. See BEN LOYAL.

Benlaogha. See BENLOY.

Ben Lawers (Gael. *beinn-labhaira*, 'speaking or echoing mountain'), one of the Breadalbane mountains in Kenmore and Weem parishes, Perthshire. It flanks the NW shore of the middle waters of Loch Tay, and culminates 9 miles WSW of Kenmore village, at 3984 feet above sea-level (or 4004 if one includes a cairn, rebuilt in July 1878), being thus the loftiest mountain in the county, and the fifth loftiest in all Scotland. It does not consist of a single mass, but, rising from a broad base, in fusion with contiguous mountains, rolls upward in a series of shoulders or subordinate summits, and terminates in a noble cone that towers more than 1000 feet above all the neighbouring eminences. Its skirts, to a considerable height, are cultivated, wooded, or verdant; and its upper portions, over nearly all their extent, are either softly pastoral or heathy. The ascent is generally made from Ben Lawers Hotel, on the shore of Loch Tay; measures between 4 and 5 miles to the top; and is so easy that it can all be made on horseback. The prospect from its summit is wide and beautiful, embracing splendid combinations of valleys, lakes, and mountains, from the Ochils to Ben Nevis, and from Ben Lomond to

Cairngorm, and excelled by no view in Scotland but that from the top of Ben Lomond. The mountain chiefly consists of mica slate; on its summit are found the small gentian, round-headed cotton-grass, and other alpine plants.

Ben Lea, a hill (1473 feet) in Portree parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, N of Loch Sligachan, and 6 miles S by E of Portree village.

Ben Ledi, a mountain in Callander parish, Perthshire, culminating $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Callander town. It rises from a base of about 11 miles in circuit; occupies most of the space between Loch Lubnaig on the E, Loch Venachar on the S, and Glen Finglas on the W; soars to an altitude of 2875 feet above sea-level; and commands a gorgeous prospect from the Bass Rock to the Paps of Jura, and from the Moray Firth to the Lowther Mountains. The ascent of it is everywhere difficult, and in many parts dangerous, but can be best effected from Portneulan, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Callander. Its Gaelic name, read commonly as *beinn-le-dia*, 'mountain of God,' is more correctly *beinn schleibhte* or *schleibteam*, 'mountain of mountains,' or 'mountain gift with sloping hills.' A tarn, called Lochan-nan-Corp, signifying 'the loch of dead bodies,' lies far up the mountain, and got its name from the drowning in it of about 200 persons attending a funeral from Glen Finglas to a churchyard on the N of the Pass of Leny.

Ben Leoid, a mountain in the SE of Eldrachillis parish, Sutherland, culminating 4 miles SSW of the head of Loch More at 2597 feet above sea-level.

Benleven, the western or peninsular section of Dumbartonshire, bounded on the N by the isthmus of Tarbet, on the E by Loch Lomond and the river Leven, on the S by the Firth of Clyde, on the SW by Gare Loch, on the W by the upper part of Loch Long. It comprehends the parishes of Luss, Row, and Cardross, and parts of the parishes of Arrochar and Bonhill, but excludes the parish of Rosneath.

Ben Liath Mhor, a mountain (2464 feet) of central Ross-shire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of the foot of Loch Fannich.

Ben Luingach, a grand mountain in Gairloch parish, W Ross-shire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the northern shore of Upper Loch Torridon, and 4 miles SW of Ben Eay. Its height is about 3000 feet.

Ben Lochain, a mountain on the mutual border of Strachur and Lochgoilhead parishes, Cowal, Argyllshire, culminating 2 miles W by S of the head of Loch Goil at 2306 feet above sea-level. It takes its name from Curra Lochain, a tarn on its southern slope, $4\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs long and $\frac{1}{2}$ furlong wide.

Benlochan, a hill (721 feet) in Logie-Easter parish, Ross-shire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Tain.

Ben Lomond, a mountain in Buchanan parish, Stirlingshire, extending along the E side of the upper part of Loch Lomond, and culminating $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of the head of Loch Katrine, and $18\frac{1}{2}$ N by W of Dumbarton. Its summit line runs within 2 miles of the eastern shore of Loch Lomond, yet forms part of the watershed between the river systems of the Forth and Clyde. Its base measures about 5 miles from N to S, and about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from E to W. Ascending from the S in a long and gradual mass, it presently rises more steeply aloft in a great crowning cone, which breaks down on the N in a precipitous or almost mural face about 2000 feet in depth. Its summit-altitude is 3192 feet above sea-level. Its general outline, in multitudes of distant views, in many different directions or with many different phases, is grandly beautiful, and its western acclivities, closely overhanging Loch Lomond, as seen from the further shores or from the surface of the lake, are sublime and strikingly impressive. The ascent of it is commonly made on foot from Rowardennan, on the shore of Loch Lomond, at its SW base, and measures geographically about 4 miles, and in traversed distance about 6 miles, but can be effected also, from the same point, on pony back, up to a point very near the summit. The view from the top has less breadth, less force, less gorgeousness than the view from the top of Ben Lawers, but in aggregate diversity, brilliance, and picturesque magni-

fiences, is equalled by no view in all the United Kingdom. To the N are seen sublime arrays and tumultuous assemblages of mountains, away to Ben Vorlich, Ben Cruachan, and Ben Nevis; to the E are seen Stirlingshire, Lanarkshire, and the Lothians, away to the heights of Edinburgh; to the S are seen the counties of Renfrew and Ayr, the islands of Bute and Arran, and the waters beyond these islands, away to the coast of Ireland and the Atlantic Ocean; and on the W, immediately under the eye, are seen the waters, islands, and western screens of Loch Lomond with a distinctness, a beauty, and a fullness of grouping greater far than belong to them as seen anywhere from the lake's own bosom. Granite is the principal rock of the mountain; mica slate also is plentiful; and quartzite occurs near the top in masses so large as to appear, in views from the W shore of the lake, like patches of snow. Among Ben Lomond's memories, the most curious, perhaps, is its ascent in 1796 by the Rev. Charles Simeon and James Alexander Haldane, who, 'on the top, impressed by the grandeur of the surrounding scenery, kneeled down and solemnly consecrated their future lives to the service of Almighty God.'—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 38, 1871.

Benloy (Gael. *beinn-laigh*, 'mountain of the fawns'), a mountain on the mutual border of Perthshire and Argyllshire, at the head of Strathfillan, 6½ miles E by S of Dalnally. It forms the western extremity of a chain extending eastward to Killin, and culminating in Benmore, and is itself the loftiest and most graceful of the great group of mountains which stud the neighbouring parts of Perthshire and Argyllshire. Its summit is 3708 feet above sea-level, and four streams flow from its slopes in directions E, W, SE, and SW toward respectively Lochs Tay, Awe, Lomond, and Fyne.

BenLoyal or **Ben Laoghal**, a mountain in Tongue parish, Sutherland, flanking the western side of Loch Loyal, and culminating 5½ miles S by W of Tongue village at 2504 feet above sea-level. Composed of syenite, it spreads 2 miles westward from the mid shore of Loch Loyal, across the head of the Strath of Tongue; curves gracefully upward from rounded loins to splintered summit, terminating in 4 massive peaks, the highest standing in advance of the others; and as to contour, is the most picturesque of any of the Highland mountains.

Ben Luighach. See BEN LUGHACH.

Benlunzie, a mountain in Golspie parish, SE Sutherland, culminating 3 miles WNW of Golspie village at 1464 feet above sea-level.

Ben Macdhuil (Gael. *beinn-mac-dubh*, 'mountain of the black sow'), a mountain of SW Aberdeenshire on the verge of the county, contiguous to Banff and Inverness shires, 11 geographical miles WNW of Castleton of Braemar. One of the Cairngorms, it culminates 3 miles S by W of Cairngorm proper (4084 feet), and is near other summits not much lower, forming strictly not one mountain, but only one amid a group of summits on a common base. Thus, though the highest point in Scotland except Ben Nevis, and only 110 feet lower than that mountain, it makes a far less conspicuous figure than many mountains of only one-half or one-third its height. Its altitude above sea-level is 4296 feet. The ascent (18 miles) from Castleton is made, after passing Derry Lodge (1386 feet), either up Glen Derry or up Glen Lui. The glorious view from the broad flat summit extends to Ben Wyvis, Ben Nevis, and Ben Glo; but Benabour, on the E, shuts out the prospect of the German Ocean. Red granite is the prevailing rock, and numbers of rare minerals, particularly the fine rock crystals called Cairngorm stones, are found. The Queen and the Prince Consort twice made the ascent of Ben Macdhuil on 7 Oct. 1859 and 24 Aug. 1860, as described on pp. 136-139 of *Leaves from the Queen's Journal*.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 64, 1874.

Benmagh (Gael. *beinn-magha*, 'mountain of the plain'), a height in Torosay parish, Mull island, Argyllshire, at the head of Loch Bu, 14 miles WSW of Oban.

Ben Mhanarch, a mountain on the mutual border of Luss and Row parishes, Dumbartonshire, at the head of Glen Luss, 1½ mile ESE of the nearest part of Loch

Long, and 3 miles NNE of Garelochhead. It has an altitude of 2328 feet above sea-level.

Ben Mheadoin, a summit (3883 feet) of the Cairngorms, in Kirkmichael parish, S Banffshire, ¾ mile SE of Loch Aven, and 2 miles SE of Cairngorm proper.

Ben Mhic-Mhonaigh, a mountain (2602 feet) in the W of Glenorchy parish, Argyllshire, between the rivers Orchy and Strae, 9½ miles ENE of the summit of Ben Cruachan.

Benmholach, a mountain in Fortingal parish, NW Perthshire, 5 miles E of Loch Erich, and 4½ N of Loch Rannoch. It has a height of 2758 feet above sea-level.

Benmore (Gael. *beinn-mor*, 'great mountain'), a mountain in the W of Mull island, Argyllshire, occupying most of the peninsula between Loch-na-Keal and Loch Scridain, and culminating 21 miles W of Oban. It is the highest summit in Mull, and only 7 feet lower than Ben Lomond, having an altitude of 3185 feet above sea-level. Rising from low ground, so as to figure conspicuously from base to summit, it exhibits a beautiful outline, of somewhat conical figure, and not so unlike that of Vesuvius; it terminates in a crateriform summit; and it commands an extensive and diversified view over most of the Hebrides and great part of the mainland of Argyllshire, away to the N of Ireland.

Benmore, a mountain in Rum island, Argyllshire. It rises to an altitude of 2367 feet above sea-level, has a sharp peaked summit, adjoins other mountains of lower altitude, which also have peaked summits, and is almost perpetually shrouded in mist.

Benmore, a mountain in the Kilmun portion of the united parish of Dunoon and Kilmun, Cowal, Argyllshire. Its abrupt summit is 1¼ mile W of Loch Eck, and has an altitude of 2433 feet above sea-level. Deep fissures cleave its sides; one of them shaped like a mighty corridor, with chambered recesses; another so formed as to make sharp reverberating echoes, like sounds from great sheets of copper; another so profound that a stone thrown into it takes about a minute to reach the bottom. Benmore House, 4 miles SE of the mountain's summit, on the verge of the Eachaig valley, is a very fine modern castellated mansion, with picture gallery and with beautiful grounds, that strikingly contrast with the mountain's alpine scenery.

Benmore, a mountain in South Uist island, Outer Hebrides, flanking the northern shore of Loch Eynort, and rising 2035 feet above sea-level.

Benmore, a mountain (1750 feet) in the Park or Forest district of Lochs parish, Lewis island, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire, 19 miles SSW of Stornoway.

Benmore, a mountain in Killin parish, Perthshire, flanking the SE side of Loch Tubhair, at the pass between Strathfillan and Glendochart, 8½ miles NE of the head of Loch Lomond, and 10½ SW of Killin village. It forms the NE extremity of an alpine range extending to Ben Lomond; rises, in majestic conical form, to an altitude of 3843 feet above sea-level; and constitutes a conspicuous feature in a large extent of loftily mountainous country. It was once part of a deer forest, but is now occupied as a sheep-walk.

Benmore, a mountain range in Glenshiel parish, Ross-shire, extending from near the head of Loch Duich, about 13 miles east-south-eastward into junction with the Inverness-shire mountains of Glen Moriston. A middle range between the parallel ranges of Ben Atto and Maol Cheann-dearg, it has pyramidal summits culminating in Sgurr Fhuaran at 3505 feet above sea-level; and, together with the neighbouring ranges, it forms a surpassingly fine piece of alpine scenery.

Benmore-Assynt, the loftiest mountain in Sutherland, culminates near the western border of Creich parish at 3273 feet above sea-level; but projects into Assynt a western shoulder, Coinne-mheall or Coinveall, 3234 feet high. Standing at the watershed between the German and Atlantic Oceans, 4½ miles ESE of Assynt hamlet, it is one of the oldest mountains in the British Isles, being composed of Silurian quartzite and traps; and it figures conspicuously, in various directions, to a considerable distance. Ptarmigan abound on it, and are easily got during snow-storms and at other times.

Benmore-Coigach, a mountain in Lochbroom parish, Ross-shire, flanking the central part of the N side of Loch Broom. It rises to an altitude of 2435 feet above sea-level; shows peculiar tints and a very striking contour; and is one of the most remarkable mountains in the Highlands.

Ben Muich Dhui. See BEN MACHUI.

Bennabour. See BENAOUR.

Ben-na-Cailleach, a mountain in the S of the Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, 3 miles W by S of Broadford. It is shaped somewhat like Vesuvius, and has a peaked summit.

Bennachie. See BENNOCHIE.

Bennamhian. See BENEVEIAN.

Bennan. See BENAN.

Ben-nan-Aighean, a mountain in Ardehatten parish, Argyllshire, almost wholly encircled by the Kinglass and its affluent, the Allt Hallater, and culminating at 3141 feet above the upper waters of Loch Etive, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the W. Though bearing a name which signifies 'the mountain of the heifers,' it yields but indifferent pasture even on its lower acclivities, and is almost entirely bare over all its upper half. It consists chiefly of granite, and contains a few fine rock crystals.

Bennarty. See BENARTY.

Ben Nevis, a mountain in Kilmalie parish, Inverness-shire, immediately SE of Loch Eil at Fort William, and accessible from that town by a good bridle path, made for the sake of communication with the observatory on the summit. It starts abruptly from the plain adjacent to Fort William; is well defined round all its circuit; attains an altitude of 4406 feet above sea-level; and is the highest mountain in Great Britain. Two profound glens, Treig on the E, and Nevis on the S and SW, cut down large portions of its skirts; and deep depressions, hollows, or plains on the other sides separate the rest of it from the neighbouring heights. Its base measures fully 24 miles in circuit; its mass looks like one mountain superimposed on another—Ossa piled upon Pelion; its summit is not peaked, but flattened; and its entire bulk, from skirt to crown, stands well revealed to the eye, exhibiting its proportions with continuity and clearness. The lower mountain is an oblong mass, about 3000 feet high, and terminates in a plateau containing a tarn or alpine lakelet; and the upper mountain springs from the southern extremity of the lower one, and has the form of a vast prism. The northern front makes two grand acclivities ascents, terminating in terraces; and the north-eastern side shrinks into a broad tremendous precipice, not less than 1500 feet deep. The rock of the basement portion is gneiss alternating with mica slate; the rock thence upward to the summit of the lower mountain is granite, never than the gneiss; and the rock of the upper mountain is porphyritic greenstone, more recent still than the granite. The rocks, however, include diversities, each kind within itself; and, at once by their superpositions, by their several diversities, and by their respective minerals, they form a grand study to geologists. The ascent of Ben Nevis is usually made on the S side, and occupies 3 hours on foot; since the construction of the bridle path the ascent can be made on horseback, a toll for use of the road being charged. It is free from danger except in the case of fog. The view from the summit is both extensive and sublime. The spectator who has been so fortunate as to reach it free of its frequent robe of clouds, descends, toward the S and E, the blue mountains of Ben Craeahan, Ben Lomond, Benmore, Ben Lowers, Schiehallion, and Cairngorm, with a thousand intermediate and less aspiring peaks. On the other sides, his eye wanders from the distant hills of Caithness to the remote and scarcely discernible mountains of the Outer Hebrides. Numerous glens and valleys lie to the S, but they are hidden from observation; and to the utmost verge of the horizon, countless mountains of all sizes and shapes, heathy, rocky, and tempest-worn, extend before the eye, as if the waves of a troubled ocean had suddenly been turned to stone. Looking towards the other points of the compass, we meet with more variety,—the silvery waters of Lochs Eil, Linnhe, and Lochy,

of the Atlantic and German oceans, rendering the vast prospect more cheerful and brilliant. In May 1881 an observatory of the Scottish Meteorological Society was established on Ben Nevis.—*Ordn. Surv.*, sh. 53, 1877.

Bennochie (Gael. *beinn-a-Ché*), 'mountain of Ché,' a Caledonian deity, a mountain in Alford, Keig, Prounny, Oyne, and Garioch parishes, Aberdeenshire, extending about 5 miles from E to W, about $3\frac{1}{2}$ from N to S, and flanking the N side of the valley of the Don from the neighbourhood of Alford village to the near neighbourhood of Inverurie. It rises to an altitude of 1698 feet above sea-level; it swells upward in graceful outline; it has six summits in the form of peaks or rounded pinnacles; and it figures conspicuously in a great extent of landscape, to distances of 30 or 40 miles, so as to be an arresting object on the sky-line as seen from almost every part of Luchan. Its summits are locally known by distinctive names; and the highest and largest is called the Mither Tap. The principal rock of the mountain is reddish granite, traversed from N to S by great dykes of porphyry; and it is extensively quarried.

Ben Nuis. See BENGUIS.

Ben Odhar, a mountain (2948 feet) on the mutual border of Perth and Argyll shires, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Tyndrum station.

Benormin. See BEN-AN-ARMUINN.

Ben Pharlagain, a mountain in the W of Fortingal parish, NW Perthshire, culminating at 2836 feet above sea-level, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of the foot of Loch Erich.

Ben Ratha, a hill in Reay parish, NW Caithness, culminating 24 miles SSW of Reay village. It makes a long slow ascent of upwards of 1 mile, attains an altitude of 795 feet above sea-level, and is pierced with a curious cave.

Ben Reithe. See ARGYLL'S BOWLING GREEN.

Ben Reoch, a mountain in Arrochar parish, Dumbartonshire, situated midway between Loch Lomond and Loch Long, and culminating $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Arrochar village at 2168 feet above sea-level.

Ben Resipol, a mountain in Sunart district, Argyllshire, overhanging the N side of Loch Sunart, and rising to an altitude of 2774 feet above sea-level.

Ben Rinnes, a mountain in Aberlour and Inveraven parishes, Banffshire, bounded E by the deep pass of Glack Harness, which separates it from the Conval Mountains, and westward extending to within $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the river Spey below Ballindalloch. It rises from a base some 3 miles long and 2 miles broad to an elevation of 2755 feet above sea-level, and commands a view from Caithness to the Grampians.

Ben Ruadh, a hill (837 feet) on the mutual border of Farr and Reay parishes, Sutherland, 4 miles S by E of the head of Strathy Bay; also another hill (608 feet) of Reay parish, on the Caithness border, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Reay village.

Ben Ruadh, a mountain in the Kilmun portion of Dundoon-Kilmun parish, Cowal, Argyllshire, culminating $\frac{3}{4}$ mile E of the lower waters of Loch Eck at 2178 feet above sea-level.

Ben Ruisg, a mountain in Luss parish, Dumbartonshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Luss village. It has an altitude of 1929 feet above sea-level.

Ben Scrial, a mountain in Glenelg parish, Inverness-shire, flanking the northern shore of the lower part of Loch Hour, and rising 3196 feet above the sea.

Ben Sgulaird, a mountain in Ardehatten parish, Lorn, Argyllshire, culminating 3 miles ENE of the head of Loch Creran, at 3058 feet above sea-level.

Benshalag, three tiny lochs on or near the mutual border of Dallas and Knockando parishes, Elginshire.

Bensheagarnich, a mountain in Fortingal parish, Perthshire, one of the central Grampians, higher than most of the neighbouring mountains, and rising to an altitude of 3890 feet above sea-level.

Benshianta, a mountain summit in Jura island, Argyllshire, the northern one of the three summits called the Paps of Jura.

Benshith, a lofty mountain on the eastern boundary of Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland.

Bensleoch or **Benslabhoch**, a mountain of W Ross-shire, flanking the NE side of the upper part of Loch Maree, and culminating 5 miles N by W of Kinlochewe. It has an altitude of 3217 feet above sea-level; is scarred and cut by great rifts and gullies; and rises in such continuous mass that the entire ascent of it, from base to summit, figures clearly in the scenery of Loch Maree.

Bensley, a village in Kilwinning parish, Ayrshire. Pop. (1871) 313, (1881) 318.

Ben Smeorale, a mountain in Clyne parish, E Sutherland, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Brora. It has an altitude of 1592 feet above sea-level.

Benspenne (Gael. *beinn spionnaidh*, 'mountain of strength'), a mountain in Durress parish, Sutherland, flanking the E side of Strath Dionard, and culminating $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by W of Fair-air Head. It has a massive form, and rises to an altitude of 2537 feet above sea-level.

Ben Stack, a conical mountain in Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland, flanking the SW shore of Loch Stack, and culminating $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of the head of Loch Laxford at 2367 feet above sea-level.

Ben Starav, a mountain in Ardhattan parish, Argyllshire, flanking the NE shore of the upper waters of Loch Etive, and culminating 10 miles NNW of Dal-mally. It has a broad base, furrowed sides, and a rocky summit; rises to an altitude of 3541 feet above sea-level; and figures imposingly amid a vast extent of Highland landscape. Its sides and summit are totally sterile. Its rock is granite, and the *debris* in the channels of its brooks contains large beautiful quartz crystals, variously coloured, yellowish, or dark-hued; and by lapidaries esteemed as not inferior to the precious Cairngorm stones.

Benstomino or **Beinn's Tomaine**, a mountain in Farr parish, Sutherland, flanking the E side of the lower waters of Loch Loyal, and culminating $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Tongue village at 1728 feet above sea-level.

Benston, a place with lime works in New Cumnock parish, Ayrshire. The limestone rock is about 12 feet deep, and the lime is of prime quality as a cement.

Benstrome, a mountain in Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland, flanking the SW side of Loch More, and culminating 9 miles SE of Scourie.

Bent, a place, with a public school, in Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire. The school, with accommodation for 113 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 77, and a grant of £78, 7s.

Bentalloch or **Bentealluidh**, a mountain in Torosay parish, Mull island, Argyllshire, flanking the narrow pass through the S centre of the island, and culminating 12 miles W by N of Oban. It has a finely conical outline, is clothed with verdure to the summit, rises to an altitude of about 2800 feet above sea-level, and presents itself as a most magnificent object to voyagers entering the Sound of Mull from the N. Its proper name signifies 'the prospect mountain;' and its popular name among mariners is the Sugarloaf.

Ben Tarsuinn. See **ARRAN**.

Bentealluidh. See **BENTALLOCH**.

Ben Tee. See **BEN TIGH**.

Ben Tharsuinn, a mountain on the mutual border of Luss and Row parishes, Dumbartonshire, situated nearly midway between Loch Lomond and Loch Long, and culminating $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Garelochhead. Its summit-altitude is 2149 feet above sea-level.

Ben Thutaig. See **BEN HUTIG**.

Ben Tigh, a mountain in the SW centre of Invernesshire, adjacent to the head of Loch Lochy. It has an altitude of 2956 feet above sea-level.

Ben Trilleachan, a mountain in Ardhattan parish, Lorn, Argyllshire, culminating 2 miles SW of the head of Loch Etive at 2752 feet above sea-level.

Bents, a village, with a railway station, in Whitburn parish, Linlithgowshire, on the Bathgate and Morning-side railway, adjacent to the boundary with Edinburghshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by W of Bathgate.

Bents, a burn in the S centre of Aberdeenshire, rising in Tough parish, and running about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward

partly within Tough, partly on the boundary with Alford to the river Don.

Ben Tulachan, a summit in the NW of Balquhider parish, SW Perthshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of the head of Loch Katrine. It has a height of 3099 feet above sea-level.

Ben Uaig, a mountain near the N centre of Mull island, Argyllshire, adjacent to Pennygowan Bay, and 1320 feet high.

Benuaish. See **BEN WYVIS**.

Ben Uary or **Beinn na h'Urrachd**, a mountain on the mutual border of Loth and Kildonan parishes, Sutherland, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Helmsdale. It has an altitude of 2046 feet above sea-level. A good mineral spring is at its N foot.

Ben Udlanan, a summit on the NW border of Blair Athole parish, Perthshire, belonging to the central Grampians, and culminating 9 furlongs from the E shore of Loch Erich at 3306 feet above sea-level.

Ben Ular. See **BEN BREULA**.

Ben Uinishin, a summit (1000 feet) in the SE of the Park district of Lochs parish, Lewis island, Ross-shire. It groups with Benmore and Crionag; and with them is celebrated in old hunting songs.

Ben Vacher. See **BENEVACHART**.

Benvaddu, a mountain in Farr parish, Sutherland, flanking the E side of Strathnaver, 13 miles SSW of Strathy.

Benvalla or **Penvalla**, a mountain in Stobo parish, Peebleshire, flanking the NE side of the upper part of Hopehead Burn, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Stobo Castle. It has an altitude of 1764 feet above sea-level.

Benvan. See **BEN BAN**.

Ben Vane, a mountain in Arrochar parish, Dumbartonshire, near the Argyllshire boundary, and $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Tarbet. It overhangs the western bank of Inverglas Water, immediately below its efflux from Loch Sloy, and has an altitude of 3004 feet above sea-level.

Ben Vane, a mountain 2685 feet high on the mutual border of Balquhider and Callander parishes, Perthshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Loch Achray.

Ben Vannoch, a mountain (3125 feet) of W Perthshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of the head of Loch Lyon, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Ben Achallader.

Ben Varen, the western one of the three great mountain ridges of the N division of Arran island, Butehire. It extends about 7 miles from N to S; has greater breadth but less height and less sublimity than the middle and eastern ridges, culminating at 2345 feet above sea-level; and, as seen from points on the W coast, shows an outline similar to that of a long house with rounded roof.

Benveallich, a mountain on the mutual border of Loth and Kildonan parishes, Sutherland. It has an altitude of 1888 feet above sea-level.

Benevedan or **Beinn Fhada**, a mountain on the mutual border of Ardhattan and Lismore parishes, Argyllshire, separated from Buachaille-Etive by the mountain pass which leads from Glen Etive to Glencoe. A stupendous mass, it attains, in its highest point, Bidean nam Bian, an altitude of 3766 feet above sea-level, or 155 feet higher than Ben Cruachan.

Ben Venue (Gael. *beinn-mheadhonaidh*, 'middle mountain'), a mountain in Aberfoyle parish, Perthshire, flanking the S side of the lower waters of Loch Katrine and the main part of the Trossachs, and culminating 10 miles W by S of Callander. Rising almost murally from the margin of Loch Katrine, it surges upward to 2393 feet above sea-level, and commands extensive views to the N, the E, and the W, including much of the territory celebrated in the *Lady of the Lake*. It shows rich fleckings and interminglings of verdure, natural wood, and naked rock; it exhibits a lofty terrace-pass and a stupendous corrie, noticed in our article on Bealach-nam-Bo; it combines, more than almost any other mountain, the characters of grandeur, romance, and beauty; and, as to its aggregate configuration, it looks like an immense heap of broken hillocks, thus answering closely to Sir Walter Scott's description:

'Craggs, knolls, and mounds, confusedly hurld,
The fragments of an earlier world.'

Benvie, a village and an ancient parish on the SW border of Forfarshire. The village stands on Invergowrie Burn, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Dundee. Here, at the manse, was born John Playfair (1748-1819), the eminent mathematician and natural philosopher. A chalybeate spring near, once held in great repute, is now entirely neglected. The parish, since 1758, has been incorporated with Liff.

Benvigory, a lofty hill in Kildalton parish, E side of Islay island, Argyllshire. Here about 1600 the Macdonalds were severely defeated by the invader Hector Maclean, who afterwards ravaged the island.

Ben Vore. See BEMORE.

Ben Vorlich, a mountain on the W border of Comrie parish, Perthshire, culminating $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Stucachroin, and $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Lochearnhead, at an altitude of 3224 feet above sea-level. It is seen from Perth, Edinburgh, and Ayrshire; and it commands a view over much of central Scotland from sea to sea.

Ben Vorlich, a mountain in Arrochar parish, Dumbartonshire, flanking the NE shore of Loch Sloy, and culminating $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of the head of Loch Lomond. It has two summits, N and S, about 3 furlongs asunder, with altitudes of respectively 3055 and 3092 feet above sea-level; and it is notable for the excellence of its pasture, the richness of its flora, and the occurrence on it of white hares and ptarmigan.

Ben Vrackie, a mountain in Moulin parish, Perthshire, flanking the E side of the Pass of Killiecrankie, and culminating $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Moulin village. Rising to an altitude of 2757 feet above sea-level, it presents an appearance somewhat answering to its Gaelic name, *Beinn-bhrac*, which signifies 'the speckled mountain,' its purple heather contrasting with the grey rocks and stones; it forms a prominent feature in the scenery of a large extent of country; and it commands a view from the Central Grampians to Arthur's Seat, and from Ben Macdui to Ben Nevis.

Ben vraick, a mountain on the NW border of Drymen parish, Stirlingshire, culminating $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Loch Lomond opposite Luss, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Drymen village. It has an altitude of 1922 feet above sea-level; and it adjoins the watershed toward Loch Lomond, but sends off its own drainage to the Duchray head-stream of the river Forth.

Ben Vriac or **Ben Ebreac**, a mountain in Arrochar parish, Dumbartonshire, situated on the N side of Glen Douglas, and culminating $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW by W of Firkin Point on Loch Lomond. It has an altitude of 2233 feet above sea-level.

Benvue, the north-eastern one of the two eminences of Eigg island, Invernessshire.

Benwhat, a summit in Dalmellington parish, Ayrshire, culminating $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of the village at 1426 feet above sea-level. Pop. of village (1891) 523.

Ben Wyvis (Gael. *beinn-uabhaïs*, 'stupendous mountain'), a mountain in Kiltear and Fodderty parishes, Ross-shire, culminating 8 miles NW of Dingwall. Rising from a very wide base, with broad shoulders, to a spreading lumpish outline, it presents a profile, in some points of view, like that of a haystack; it has an altitude of 3429 feet above sea-level; and it commands a very extensive and most gorgeous view. The ascent of it is very tedious and fatiguing, and is much impeded by tracts of spongy moor, but can be facilitated over most of the distance by the use of Highland ponies. Its predominant rock is slaty gneiss, much intersected with veins of hornblende and granite; its top is covered with a soft green sward; and its upper parts, even in the height of the warmest summers, are almost constantly sheeted or flecked with snow.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 93, 1881.

Ben Yattan or **Yadain**. See BENEADDAN.

Ben-y-Gloe. See BENGLO.

Ben-y-Hone. See BEN CHONZIE.

Beoch, an ancient baronial castle, now represented by scanty ruins, in Maybole parish, Ayrshire.

Beoraig, a lake in Glenmeoble, Ardnamurchan parish, Argyllshire. It is about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles long.

Beoster, a village in Bressay island, Shetland.

Berbeth, an estate in Straiton and Dalmellington

parishes, Ayrshire. Its mansion, on the left bank of the river Doon, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by W of Dalmellington village, is a plain edifice, but has extensive grounds of great beauty, both natural and artificial. A waterfall, Dalcrairie Linn, on a neighbouring streamlet, makes a leap of more than 60 feet, and opens into a deep wooded dell. Berbeth is the property of Alex. Fred. M'Adam, Esq. (b. 1864; suc. 1878).

Beregonium, a misprint in the Ulm edition (1486) of Ptolemy's *Geography* for 'Rerigonium,' a town of the Novante, now generally identified with the Mote of Innermessan, on the E shore of Loch Ryan, Wigtownshire. Hector Boece, however, applied the name 'Beregonium' to a very large vitrified fort in Ardchattan parish, Argyllshire, on the E side of Ardmuckish Bay, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Connel Ferry, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ NNE by boat of Oban. That fort's correct name was *Dunmhé-uiscneach* ('fort of the sons of Uiscneach'), now corrupted into *Dunmacsnochan* (vol. I., p. 72, of Skene's *Celtic Scotland*). Neither Beregonium, nor any name of similar sound, seems ever to have belonged to it; but as Beregonium it figures in sheet 45 of the Ordnance Survey (1876), where also we find, close by, 'Port Selma' and 'New Selma.' Not that any name ever belonged to it which can, in any way, connect it with the Selma of Ossian or the place of the residence of the Fingalian kings. Nothing better can be said for it in relation to Selma than is said by the writer of the *New Statistical Account* of Ardchattan:—'One may be permitted to say that this locality may advance claims to the honour in question quite as powerful as those of any other in the Highlands. Selma signifies in Gaelic "the fine view," and certainly a nobler and more magnificent prospect than that from the top of this hill cannot easily be obtained in any country.' It is true the name *Bal-aree*, or more properly *Dun-Dhail-an-Righ*, signifying 'the hill of the king's town,' is borne by a fine range of adjacent cliff—a name that might seem to favour the notion of kings having had their seat here, either kings Fingalian or kings Dalriadan. As a matter of fact, however, it probably implies no more than that the cliff commands a splendid view. Localities bearing names associated with kingly residence or kingly power are almost as numerous in the Highlands as are places commanding prospects of similar splendour to that from Dunmacsnochan; so that each and all, on the score of the names they bear, might as forcibly as this claim to have been the site of the capital of either the Fingalian or the Dalriadan kings. Dunstaffnage Castle, too, which undoubtedly succeeded a Dalriadan royal residence, and is only $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles distant, has been supposed to countenance the theory that a metropolitan city was here; but as that castle is on the opposite side of the entrance to Loch Etive, and can only be reached circuitously by Connel Ferry, the argument based on it, if allowed to point at all to any site of a royal city, would indicate one on the southern side of Loch Etive, and therefore tells against Dunmacsnochan. Nor are the vestiges which exist, or the relics which have been found, of anything like specific or sufficient character to warrant any of the theories which have been hazarded respecting it. The hill is a small, double-topped, rocky eminence, adjoining a strip of plain. A well-defined vitrified fort, in some parts 8 feet high, is on the top; a defensive wall, still partly extant, was at the base. Traces of a Caledonian circle are said to have been on its shoulders; a small burying-ground and an ancient chapel are adjacent to the base; faint traces of a straight raised way, bearing a name which signifies 'the market street,' are on the neighbouring plain; and on the plain have been found a stone coffin, an urn, a sandal, and a hollow log of wood. These are all the real materials out of which have been manufactured the ancient capital of Dalriada, the seat of a monarchy far earlier than the Christian era, the Selma of Ossian, the place of the residence of Fingalian kings!

Berness, a village in the Isle of Skye, Invernessshire. Its post-town is Portree.

Bernards, St. See EDINBURGH.

Bernerá, an island of **BARRA** parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It is the southernmost island of the parish, and lies 14 miles SSW of the southernmost point of Barra proper. It measures about 1 mile in length and about $\frac{3}{4}$ in breadth. It consists of gneiss rock; and rises in Barra Head, on the SE side, to a height of 530 feet. Its cliffs on that side have a diversified structure and a romantic appearance; are now inclining, now vertical, now projecting; here smooth and there fissured; in one place massive and continuous, in another pierced with a cavern and cut into a cove; and in the summer months they are inhabited by prodigious numbers of kittiwakes, guillemots, auks, and puffins. The natives of the island derive much of their subsistence from the eggs and the young of these birds, but in obtaining it they do deeds of great daring on the cliffs. Pop. (1861) 24, (1871) 38, (1881) 72, (1891) 36.

Bernerá, an island and a *quoad sacra* parish in Harris parish, Inverness-shire. The island lies in the Sound of Harris, about 1 mile N of the nearest part of North Uist, and 5 miles SSW of the nearest part of Harris; and it measures about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles in length from NE to SW, and about 2 miles in breadth. Pop. (1861) 315, (1871) 373, (1891) 501. The parish includes all the other Harris islands in the Sound of Harris; was constituted in 1845; had, in 1891, a population of 504; and is in the presbytery of Uist and synod of Glenelg. It has a post office under Lochmaddy. Stipend, £132. The church is a Government one, and was built in 1829. There is a Free Church mission for Bernera and Boreray.

Bernerá, Large and Little, two islands of Uig parish, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire, in Loch Roag, on the W of Lewis, 23 miles W of Stornoway. Large Bernera measures $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles from NW to SE, and from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from E to W; has a jagged outline, with alterations of bays and headlands; and is surrounded by an archipelago of islets. Inland the surface, sown with over 30 lochs, nowhere exceeds 223 feet above sea-level. A remarkable assemblage of ancient standing stones, rivaling those of Callernish, crowns the brow of one of its promontories, and looks in the distance like a cemetery of thickly clustered tombstones. The alignment of it resembles that of a Roman cross, with a circle at the intersection; and is computed to have originally measured about 650 feet along the main line, over 204 along the transverse line, and 189 round the periphery of the circle. Thirty-six stones are still standing in some or other of its several parts; but numerous others lie prostrate in positions showing them to have been formerly erect, while a good many more are presumed to have been destroyed; and all those still on the ground are, more or less, of a megalithic character. Another stone circle now incomplete, and still another with a double oval row, are in the neighbourhood of the great cruciform assemblage; but they consist of much smaller stones. Pop. of Large Bernera (1861) 453, (1891) 535. It has a post office under Stornoway. Little Bernera is a mere islet ($1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{3}{4}$ mile) lying to the NW of Large Bernera.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 104, 105, 1858.

Bernisdale, a hamlet, with a public school, in Snizort parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. The school, with accommodation for 120 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 77, and a grant of £77, 8s.

Berriedale (Old Norse *Berudalr*), a river of Latheron parish, SE Caithness, formed 24 miles NW of Morven (2313 feet) by two head-streams, Feith Gaineimh Mhor and Feith Chaorunn Mhor, which rise near the Sutherland border at 1300 feet above sea-level, and have a respectively easterly course of 5 and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Thence it flows $16\frac{1}{2}$ miles E, SE, S, and SE again, receiving 42 burns and rills, and at 3 furlongs from the sea uniting with Langwell Water. Small in summer, in winter large and impetuous, it contains salmon, grilse, and little trout; its valley is deep and beautifully wooded.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 109, 110, 1876-77.

Berriedale, a village and a *quoad sacra* parish in Latheron, SE Caithness. The village is finely situated on the northern bank of the confluent Berriedale and Langwell Waters, within 3 furlongs of the rock-bound

coast, and 10 miles NE of Helmsdale station. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, an Established church, and a Free church; near it are Langwell House and the ruins of two old castles. In one of these, according to tradition, dwelt William Sutherland, *alias* 'Big William the son of Hector,' who, starting on a raid to the Orkneys with one of the Earls of Caithness, and knowing that he was fated never to return, lay down on the greensward above Berriedale Inn, near the chancel, and there had the length of his body cut out in the form of a grave, which to this day retains the name of the 'Long Grave,' and measures 9 feet 5 inches. To the Sinclair Earls of Caithness Berriedale has given the title of Baron since 1455. The *quoad sacra* parish, with a stipend of £158, was constituted in 1846, and had a pop. of 1264 in 1851, of 1194 in 1871, of 1186 in 1881, and of 1113 in 1891.

Berry Head, a magnificent rocky promontory at the southern extremity of Walls, in Orkney. It corresponds, in some respects, to the opposite promontory of Dunnet Head, in Caithness.

Berryhill, a place, with a public school, in Cambusnethan parish, Lanarkshire. The school, with accommodation for 510 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 326, and a grant of £285, 5s.

Berryhill, an estate in Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Kilsyth town. Anchineroch and Anchenvalley, to the SE of it, belong to the same proprietor. The working of lime was carried on upon it, but has been relinquished.

Berryhill, an estate, with a mansion, in Peterhead parish, Aberdeenshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Peterhead town. An ancient camp, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of the mansion, was almost obliterated by a road-maker in 1829.

Berryhillock, a village in Deskford parish, N Banffshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Cullen.

Bertha, a quadam ancient town in Redgorton parish, Perthshire, on the left bank of the river Almond, at its influx to the Tay, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by W of Perth. It appears, on tolerable evidence, to have sprung from the Roman station of Orrea; it is regarded by some writers, but not on good authority, to have been the original Perth, or, as they call it Old Perth; and it was desolated by a flood in the time of William the Lion, and has long been utterly extinct. The flood which destroyed it imperilled the king's life, and drowned his infant son and many of the inhabitants. Numerous Roman relics have been found on its site; traces of a bridge at it across the Tay, on the line of the Roman road from Ardoch to Scone, are still discernible in very low states of the river; and a farm on the opposite bank still bears the name of Rome.

Bertram-Shotts. See SHOTTS.

Bervie (Gael. *bir-bhuidhe*, 'pleasant stream'), a river of Kincardineshire, formed by four head-streams that rise in the NE corner of Fordoun parish at an altitude of some 1200 feet above sea-level. To Bervie Bay it takes a course of 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, all of it east-south-eastward, excepting the $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Mondynes Bridge to near Fordoun station, where it bends to the SSW; and on its right it has Fordoun, Garvoek, and Bervie parishes, on its left Glenbervie, Arbuthnott, and Kinneff. Its waters contain trout (running up to 1 lb.) and sea-trout, with occasional salmon and grilse; and its banks are adorned by the parks of Glenbervie, Kair, Arbuthnott, and Allardice.

Bervie, a coast town and parish of Kincardineshire. The town, called sometimes Inverbervie, stands on the southern bank of Bervie Water, 3 furlongs from its mouth in Bervie Bay, and at the terminus of a section of the North British railway, $13\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Montrose; while a good single-arch bridge across the river, 80 feet high and of 103 feet span, leads 10 miles north-north-eastward to Stonehaven. A royal and parliamentary burgh, a market town, and nominally a seaport, it mainly consists of three small irregular streets, forming three sides of a rectangle; and it has a post office under Fordoun, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; branches of the Town and County

Bank, the North of Scotland Bank (Limited), and the Stonehaven Savings Bank; gas-works; several inns and hotels; a market cross; a town-house (1720) surmounted by a belfry; a public hall (1874), with accommodation for over 400 persons, being 82 feet long, 33 wide, and 27 high; the parish church, a handsome Gothic edifice (1837; 900 sittings), with a square tower more than 100 feet high; a Free church; and a public school. Wednesday is market-day, and cattle and grain markets are held every Wednesday of the seven winter months—viz. October to April, and on the Thursday before 19 May. A machine for spinning linen yarn—the first in Scotland—was set up on the Haughs of Bervie in 1788; and now along the river there are four flax and tow mills, besides a woollen mill, a chemical work, and winey and sacking factories. Some little commerce is carried on, but the harbour is at the fishing village of GORDON, 1 mile to the S, though the inner basin of Bervie Bay might itself be easily rendered a safe and commodious haven. A Carmelite friary stood upon Friar's Dubb, near Bervie Bridge; and near the station is Hallgreen Castle, a picturesque stronghold still in fair preservation, which, founded in 1376 by the Dunnets, passed to the Raits in the 15th century. Young David II., with Johanna, his English queen, landed at Bervie from France, 4 May 1341; and from him the town got its first charter, renewed by James VI. in 1595. It is governed by a provost, 3 bailies, a dean of guild, a treasurer, a town-clerk, and 9 councillors; and, with Montrose, Brechin, Arbroath, and Forfar, sends one member to parliament, the parliamentary constituency numbering 200 in 1891, when the annual value of real property amounted to £3794, 5s. 6d., while the corporation revenue was £241. The school, with accommodation for 209 children, had in 1891 an average attendance of 177, and a grant of £157, 5s. 6d. Pop. of parliamentary burgh* (1831) 757, (1851) 934, (1871) 1019, (1881) 1094, (1891) 1195.

Bounded NW by Arbutnott, NE by Arbutnott and Kinneff, E by the German Ocean, and S by Benholm, the parish has an extreme length from E to W of 3 miles, an extreme width from N to S of 2 miles, and a land area of 2332 acres. The coast, about 2 miles long, is low but rocky; inland the surface rises southwards and south-westwards from the Bervie, which traces 3½ miles of the northern boundary, to Gourdon Hill (436 feet), Knox Hill (523), and Kenshot Hill (618), the two first culminating on, and the last just within, the Benholm border. Peattie Burn runs through the middle of the parish to the Bervie, opposite Allardice Castle. The prevailing rock is Devonian sandstone and conglomerate, and has been extensively quarried; the soil of the low grounds is a deep fertile loam, incumbent upon gravel; and fully two-thirds of the whole area are cultivated, besides some 100 acres under wood. Two proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 1 also holding between £100 and £500, 2 between £50 and £100, and 6 between £20 and £50. Bervie, disjoined from Kinneff in 1618, is in the presbytery of Fordoun and synod of Angus and Mearns; its minister's income is £225. Valuation (1891) £4009, 5s. 5d., including £612 for the railway. Pop. (1801) 1068, (1841) 1842, (1861) 1561, (1871) 1843, (1881) 2106, (1891) 2387.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 66, 67, 1871.

Bervie Brow, a headland in Kinneff parish, Kincardineshire, flanking the northern shore of Bervie Bay, and culminating at 451 feet above sea-level, ¾ mile NE of Bervie town. It forms a conspicuous landmark, being visible at sea for 15 leagues. Tradition records that David II. was shipwrecked at its base, where are the 'King's Step' and 'Kinghornie' farm; and the headland itself is sometimes called 'Craig David.'

Berwick, North, a watering-place of Haddingtonshire, at the entrance of the Firth of Forth, 11½ miles S of Anstruther, 10 SSE of Elie, 10½ SW of the Isle of May, and 3½ WSW of the Bass by water. By road it is 8½ miles N by E of Haddington and 11½ WNW of Dunbar; and by a branch of the North British railway, formed

in 1848, it is 4½ miles NNE of Drem Junction, and 22½ ENE of Edinburgh. Mainly consisting of the long High Street, running E and W parallel to a modern seaward row, and crossed at right angles to the E by Quality Street, this latter planted with plane-trees, North Berwick fronts a little greenstone promontory, which forms a small natural harbour, and right and left of which are Milsey and North Berwick Bays. Along their splendid sands stretch the East and West Links, the former small, the latter with a 5-mile golf-course; and behind the town conical North Berwick Law rises 612 feet above the level of the sea. Its charming situation, noble views, and healthy climate, its bathing, boating, golfing, and pleasant excursions alike by sea and by land, have made and are making North Berwick a more and more popular summer resort, such popularity being attested by the uprising of villas and hotels—the Royal, Marine, Commercial, and Dalrymple Arms, besides several private establishments. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the British Linen Co. and the Clydesdale Bank, a town-house, gas-works, waterworks (with a storage since 1881 of 179,298 galls.), a library and reading-room, a lifeboat, a volunteer corps, a bowling-green (1865), a curling club, 3 golf clubs—the North Berwick (1832), Bass Rock, and Tantallon (1874), for the first of which a club-house was erected on the West Links in 1880 at a cost of £1800—and Freemasons', Foresters', Oddfellows', and Good Templars' lodges. North Berwick is also a coastguard station, and has a Shipwrecked Fishermen and Mariners' Society, and a Fishermen's Hall. A small debt court sits on the third Wednesday of January and the second Wednesday of May, July, and October. The harbour is dry at low water, and never too easy of access, but possesses a tolerable pier, and carries on a fairish trade in the import of guano and coal, and the export of potatoes for the London market. A steamer, too, plies between it and Leith once a week during summer; and the deep-sea and in-shore fisheries received a great impulse from the railway, though herrings since 1862 have forsaken the Craighyle Waters. To the SW, near the station, stand the scanty fragments of St Mary's Benedictine nunnery—an entrance archway, with traces of refectory, kitchen, cellarage, and the E wall of the chapel. Founded by Duncan, fifth Earl of Fife (d. 1154), this nunnery was destroyed in 1565, its revenues, then valued at £557 plus rent in kind, being erected into a lordship for Sir Alexander Home by James VI. (Grose's *Antiq. Scot.*, i. 74-76). The 'Auld Kirk,' by the harbour, on the sandy eminence that once was an islet joined to the shore by arches, is another interesting but equally dilapidated ruin, with only its arched main doorway and font entire. It was dedicated to St Andrew; and, in the famous witch-trials of 1591, it figures as the place where, in the presence of 94 witches and 6 wizards, who had danced in the kirkyard to Geilie Duncan's playing on the Jew's harp, 'the devil startit up himself in the pulpit, like ane meikle black man, and callit every man by name, and every ane answerit, "Here, Master." On his command they openit up the graves, twa within, and ane without the kirk, and took off the joints of their fingers, toes, and knees, and partit them among them; and the said Agnes Sampson gat for her part ane winding-sheet and twa joints, whilk she tint negligently' (Chambers's *Dom. Ann.*, i. 211-219). The present parish church, erected in 1882 at a cost of over £3500, is a cruciform Early English structure, with 1024 sittings. It retains an hour-glass and metal baptismal ewer, an iron alms-box, and 4 silver chalices, two of them older than 1670, the date inscribed upon the other two; in its churchyard is the tomb, with quaint epitaph, of John Blackadder (1615-85), the eminent Covenanted minister, who died in captivity on the Bass. Other places of worship are a plain Free church (1844; 400 sittings); a handsome U.P. church, rebuilt in 1872 at a cost of £3000; St Baldred's Episcopal church, a Norman structure, after Dalmeny, erected in 1859 and enlarged in 1862, when it was consecrated by Samuel Wilberforce,

* The royal burgh includes the whole parish of Bervie and small portions of Benholm and Kinneff.

at that time Bishop of Oxford; and the Roman Catholic church of Our Lady, an Early Decorated edifice of 1879. North Berwick owes its incorporation as a royal burgh to a charter of Robert III. (1390-1406), confirmed by James VI. in 1568, and it is governed by a provost, a baillie, a treasurer, 6 councillors, a town-clerk, and 2 procurators-fiscal. From the Union until 1885 it united with Haddington, Dunbar, Jedburgh, and Lauder in returning one member to parliament, but its vote is now merged in that of the county, its municipal constituency numbering 398 in 1891, when its corporation revenue amounted to £331, and its valuation to £11,596. Pop. of town (1871) 1399, (1881) 1698, (1891) 2376; of police burgh, 1998; of royal burgh, 1824.

The parish comprises, besides four or five tinier islets, the barren greenstone island of Craigleith, 5 furlongs in circumference, 80 feet high, and 7 furlongs N of the harbour; and it contends with Whitekirk a claim to include the Bass, which rises 313 feet. Bounded N by the Firth of Forth, E and SE by Whitekirk, S by Prestonkirk, and SW and W by Dirleton, it has a length from E to W of from 2½ to 3½ miles, a width from N to S of from 2½ to 3 miles, and an area of 5372½ acres, of which 304 are foreshore and 1½ water. The seaboard must be fully 5 miles long, reckoning all inns and out; and to the E, from Canty Bay to Tantallon, is bold and rocky, rapidly rising to over 100 feet. Inland, the surface presents one and only prominent feature, 'North Berwick Law, with cone of green,' whose height* and isolation make it conspicuous for 20 miles and more; whilst from its summit, gained by a zigzag or M road, and crowned by a ruined signal station and by the jaw-hornes of a whale, one looks away southward to the Lammermuirs, west-south-westward to Arthur's Seat and the Pentlands, north-westward to the Lomond Hills in Fife. And round its western and northern base the little Mill Burn wanders, on through a wooded and secluded glen, 'The Ladies' Walk,' to Milsey Bay. The interesting geology of this parish is thus epitomised by Mr Ferrier:—'North Berwick stands in a trap district, extending along the coast from Aberlady Bay to Dunbar, and interposed between two coalfields, with isolated patches of Old Red sandstone here and there, which, having been upheaved by volcanic forces from their original site, have not been carried away by denudating agencies. But although hills of trap properly so called are numerous—greenstone, basalt, clinkstone, or porphyry, a good quarry of which last on the S side of the Law has furnished the town's materials—and though the neighbouring islets are all of this character, the prevailing rock of the district is trap-tuff, of which Hugh Miller says it is 'a curiously compounded rock, evidently of Plutonic origin, and yet as regularly stratified as almost any rock belonging to the Neptunian series.'" The soils, which range from deep free loam and stiff alluvial clay to stretches of the lightest sand along the coast, are highly fertile and well cultivated, steam-ploughing having been introduced to the Lothians on Ferrygate farm. Remains of a crannoge or lake-village at Balgone, and the desolate shell of Fenton Tower are as nothing compared with TANTALLON Castle, whose annals are closely connected with those of the parish, North Berwick barony having passed under Robert II. from the Earls of Fife to the Douglases, and been sold with the castle by the Marquis of Douglas to Sir Hew Dalrymple, Bart. (cre. 1697), third son of the first Viscount Stair, and himself Lord President of the Court of Session. His sixth descendant, Sir Walter Hamilton-Dalrymple of Leuchie House, divides much of the property with Sir George Grant Suttie, sixth Bart. since 1702, of Balgone and Prestongrange, the Dalrymple estate within the shire comprising 3039 and the Suttie 8788 acres, of a respective value per annum of £8857 and £10,958. Leuchie and Balgone stand amid finely-wooded parks, 2 and 2½ miles SSW of the town; the former, dating from 1777, was almost rebuilt by Sir

Hew, the fifth Baronet. One other proprietor holds a yearly value of £500 and upwards, and 7 hold each between £100 and £500, 17 between £50 and £100, and 67 between £20 and £50. North Berwick is in the presbytery of Haddington and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £417. A public school at the town, and a subscription school at Hallland Barns, 3 miles ESE, with respective accommodation for 400 and 68 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 327 and 29, and grants of £312, 16s. and £31, 10s. 6d. Valuation, exclusive of burgh, (1892) £16,426, 19s. 2d. Total pop. (1801) 1583, (1811) 1727, (1821) 1694, (1831) 1824, (1841) 1708, (1851) 1643, (1861) 2071, (1871) 2373, (1881) 2686, (1891) 3038.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 41, 33, 1857-63. See G. Ferrier's *North Berwick and its Vicinity*.

Berwickshire, the most south-easterly county of Scotland. It takes its name from Berwick-upon-Tweed, which anciently belonged to Scotland, and was this county's capital; but it originally bore the name of Merse, and it probably took that name from its situation as a march or border district. Merse, however, or March, or the Merse, seems to have included a considerable portion of the eastern lowlands of Teviotdale; and it gave the name of March, or the castle of the March or Merse, to Roxburgh Castle. The name Berwickshire, when once assumed, became a fixture for all the county, except the portion beneath and around Berwick which, ceded to England, was eventually constituted a separate jurisdiction; but the name Merse, on the other hand, partly became a loose descriptive designation for all the low country lying between the Tweed and the Lammermuirs, and extending up the right bank of the Tweed to the Eildon Hills, and partly sank into the designation of only so much of that region as lies E of the Roxburghshire boundary. Two other names, Lammermuir and Lauderdale, are now and have long been applied to respectively the eastern and the western sections of the other or hilly portion of Berwickshire; but they have always been ill-defined as to the limit-line dividing them from each other, or dividing either or both from the Merse. The three divisions of the county, Merse, Lammermuir, and Lauderdale, are separately noticed.

Berwickshire is bounded N by Haddingtonshire, NE and E by the German Ocean, SE by Berwick-upon-Tweed, Northumberland, and Roxburghshire, W by Roxburgh and Edinburgh shires. The northern boundary is a fitful line, partly along the watershed of the Lammermuir Hills, partly far down their declivities, and isolates or includes a detached portion of one of the Haddingtonshire parishes; the south-eastern boundary is partly an artificial line drawn from the coast to the Tweed around the quondam liberties of Berwick, and mainly the Tweed itself up to a point 1½ mile W of Birgham; the southern boundary, from the point 1½ mile W of Birgham, onward to the south-eastern extremity of Mertoun parish is an exceedingly tortuous artificial line, and all round the separation of Mertoun parish from Roxburghshire is the river Tweed; and the western boundary is Leader Water for 4½ miles, Cockum Water for 2½ miles, Crookston Burn for 3½ miles, and artificial lines over most of the intermediate and further distances. The greatest length of the county is 29½ miles from E to W; the greatest breadth is 20½ miles from N to S; and the area is 294,804½ acres of land, 1557½ acres of water, and 799 acres of foreshore—in all, 464 square miles.

The coast, exclusive of minor sinuosities, measures about 19 miles in length; trends, in general direction, from NW to SE; makes two considerable projections, in the form of promontories, around Fast Castle and St Abb's Head; has two small bays at Coldingham and Eyemouth, but no other landing-places, except two or three accessible only to fishing boats or similar very small craft; and almost entirely consists of bold rocky precipices, ranging in altitude from 117 to 528 feet above the sea. The surface of the southern or Merse division of the interior, amounting to about 100,220 acres, is all low country, and unites with the contiguous Merse section of Roxburghshire to form the largest plain in Scotland. But, though presenting a general uniformity of level, it

* A correspondent of the *Scotman* newspaper drew attention to the fact that this height is given, not as 612, but as 940 feet, in well-nigh every work on Scottish topography. The *four errors* seems to have been the *New Statistical*.

is diversified, even in the flattest portions, with many undulations and gentle rising grounds; presents in most parts a series of elevations, in ranges from NW to SE, rising to altitudes of from 200 to 700 feet above sea-level; and, while destitute of any such bold or romantic features as abound in most other districts of Scotland, is far less tame and hardly less ornate than the rich, low, flat counties of the centre and the E. of England. The northern division, comprising Lammermuir and Lauderdale, is prevailingly upland; consists mainly of a broad range of well-defined, rounded lofty hills, intersected by numerous vales or dells; and, though including arable fields on the skirts or in the hollows, and possessing a large aggregate of green pasture on the acclivities, is principally bleak and moorish. The hills are generally gradual in their ascents, seldom rocky or precipitous on their shoulders, and often tabular on their summits; they mostly rise to altitudes above sea-level of from 500 to 800 feet in the E., and from 900 or 1000 to 1200 or 1300 feet in the W. Eighteen of the highest summits, with their respective altitudes above sea-level, are Tarf Law (1248 feet), Dun Law (1292), Black Hill (1299), Berecleugh Ridge (1335), Lamb Rigg (1339), Wether Law (1379), Hog Hill (1395), South Hart Law (1437), Wedder Law (1460), Ninecairn Edge (1479), Waddels Cairn (1490), Meikle Law (1531), North Hart Law (1578), Wedderlairs (1593), Hunt Law (1625), Willie's Law (1626), Crib Law (1670), and Seenes Law (1683).

The chief rivers are the Tweed, running altogether about 21 miles on the boundary, everywhere very beautiful there, receiving either there or elsewhere all the other waters of the county, except small ones in the NE, and leaving the boundary at a point $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles above Berwick; the Eye, draining a considerable portion of the NE and running to the sea at Eyemouth; the Ale, running 6 miles south-eastward to the Eye, at a point $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile SSE of Eyemouth; the Whitadder, coming in from Haddingtonshire, and running south-eastward across Lammermuir and the Merse to the Tweed, 2 miles above Berwick; the Blackadder, rising in the W centre of Lammermuir, and running circuitously eastward to the Whitadder at Allanbank; the Leet, rising and running entirely in the Merse to the Tweed at Coldstream; the Eden, rising near the foot of western Lammermuir and running southward and eastward to Ednam in Roxburghshire, and passing through that parish to the Tweed; and the Leader, rising near the north-western extremity of Lauderdale, and running south-south-eastward, mainly in the interior, partly on the boundary, to the Tweed at Drygrange bridge. A small lake is in Duns parish; and a large one, covering about 30 acres, is in Coldingham. Mineral springs are at Duns and Chirnside. Silurian rocks prevail in Lammermuir and Lauderdale, and Devonian rocks prevail in the Merse; but they are interspersed, in numerous places, with eruptive rocks, and, in a few places, with rocks of the Carboniferous formation. The Silurian rocks in some parts of the coast, particularly around St Abb's Head, exhibit extraordinary contortions, and form an interesting study to geologists, both as regards these contortions themselves, and as regards their juxtaposition with eruptive rocks. The Silurians also, in some parts, are a subject of debate in geology, as to whether they are truly Silurian or Cambrian; whilst elsewhere they are so fissile as to approximate to the character of clay slate. The eruptive rocks include porphyry, amygdaloid, amorphous basalt, and other kinds of trap. Sandstone of compact texture, and of a delicate cream or yellowish-grey colour, extends along the Tweed; underlies the parishes of Eccles, Coldstream, Ladykirk, Swinton, and Whitsome; ramifies also into Edrom, Hutten, and other neighbouring parishes; suits well as a building material, specially for exterior walls and for carvings; and is extensively quarried. Sandstone of a red colour extends from Legerwood, through the centre of the county, to the southern part of the coast; serves as a good building material; and is the stone of which the modern magnificent edifice of Ayton Castle was built. Limestone occurs in some inland parts, but is

either too sparse, or too poor, to be economically worked. A ferruginous claystone occurs in Ayton, Mordington, and Cockburnspath, and was attempted to be worked as an ironstone or ore of iron, but also was found too poor to be compensating. Gypsum, of tolerably good quality, is found in Chirnside and Greenlaw parishes. Coal occurs adjacent to the ferruginous claystone in Ayton, Mordington, and Cockburnspath, and has been supposed to exist also in Abbey St Bathans and Longformacus, but it has never given promise of affording a fair output for even local domestic use. Copper ore exists at Ordwell, on the Whitadder, and was at one time worked, but never paid; some pure quicksilver, in small quantity, has been found at Holchill. Some good lapidary stones are found in the Tweed.

The soils are very various, and often intermixed. A fine deep loam, frequently on a gravelly bottom, sometimes on a bottom of stiff tenacious clay, forms an extensive tract along the Tweed, the Whitadder, and the Blackadder; in an argillaceous soil, stiff and rather coarse, forms another extensive tract near these rivers, but further back from them than the tract of rich loam. A free dry soil, either sandy or gravelly, denominated turnip soil and usually incumbent on a dry bottom of sand or gravel, forms most of the remainder of the Merse, the vale lands of Lammermuir and Lauderdale, and the lower slopes of most of the hills. But in all parts of the county, often in the same farm, sometimes in the same field, these three soils either graduate into one another, so as to form intermediate varieties, or are intermixed to more or less extent, or in more or less degree, in patches or irregular strips, and also are more or less modified by the character of the sub-soil. The soils or surfaces of the rest of the county are variously meadow, moss, and moor. Mr Home, in his *Agricultural Report*, computing the land area of the county at 285,440 acres, assigns 25,410 acres to the rich loam, 40,380 acres to the argillaceous soil, 119,780 acres to the turnip soil, and 99,870 acres to meadow land, moss, and moor. Peat-mosses or turf-bogs are found in all parts of the hilly country, and in various patches through the lowlands; and marshes or marshy bogs, overgrown with rushes or other aquatic plants, occur in many situations, even in the most fertile parts of the county. Some of the larger bogs are very deep, and seem to occupy the place of ancient lakes; but other bogs, or places which were once bogs, have admitted of reclamation into either sound firm pasture or good arable land.—The climate of the Merse, as compared with that of some other fine agricultural districts of Scotland, is favourable, inasmuch as to permit the annual sowing of wheat after turnips, sometimes as late as April, with the result of a fair crop; and, as compared with the climate of Lammermuir, it is eminently good, inasmuch that the agricultural operations of spring and harvest often proceed in it under genial dry weather, while they are either interrupted, retarded, or imperfectly performed, in Lammermuir, under prevalence of low temperature or heavy rain. Cold easterly winds generally prevail for several weeks in spring, and both retard vegetation and produce injurious effects on gardens, and on corn and grass fields. SW winds commonly commence before the end of May are accompanied with genial heat, and prevail during the summer months. Heavy or prolonged falls of rain seldom occur. Excessive droughts are more common, and are regarded, by experienced agriculturists, as more suited to the soil, and better calculated to produce a good crop, than excessive rains. Winter, as a rule, is mild. Heavy falls of snow are rare; and the snow lies seldom long on the Merse, but often remains for weeks on the Lammermuirs.

Agricultural improvement, dating from about 1730, went forward with vigour under several great directing minds for many years; commended itself eventually to the approbation of the general body of the farmers; and, embracing all the departments of tillage, fertilisation, rotation, and stock-husbandry, as expounded by science and tested by experience, has rendered Berwickshire one of the most skillfully cultivated and highly

productive regions in the world, as is fully shown by its agricultural statistics.

The improvement in the breeds of cattle and sheep, begun about the end of last century, went forward till it displaced the old breeds and substituted for them more productive breeds, better adapted to the soil and climate, more kindly feeders, and sooner fattened for the butcher. A mixed husbandry, in connection with green crop culture, prevails over much of the Merse; and the pasturage of sheep, of the Cheviot and blackfaced breeds, is mainly carried on in the uplands. Farms range from 300 to 400 acres, and are generally held on lease of 19 years.

The manufactures of Berwickshire are aggregately unimportant. Paper-making alone makes any considerable figure. The manufacture of woollens is confined chiefly to coarse goods for ordinary use; and that of linens, to household fabrics for farmers' and labourers' families. The manufacture of blankets, plaidings, flannels, merinos, shawls, muslins, shirtings, furniture-stripes, and very stout ginghams, is carried on, to a fair extent, at Earlston, on the river Leader, but practically belongs to Roxburghshire more than to Berwickshire. The sea fisheries possess high value, and will be noticed under EYEMOUTH. The North British railway passes along the coast, and has stations at Cockburnspath, Grant's House, Reston, Ayton, and Burnmouth. A branch of the North British railway deflects from the main line at Reston, goes south-westward to Duns, and has stations at Chirnside and Edrom. The former Berwickshire Railway commences at Duns; goes south-westward to Earlston; has stations at Marchmont, Greenlaw, and Gordon; and is prolonged southward into junction with the Hawick line of the North British at St Boswell's in Roxburghshire. The Kelso branch of the North British, deflecting from the Hawick line at St Boswell's, does not touch Berwickshire, yet passes so near its boundary as to be of material service to its parishes of Mertoun and Nenthorn. The Kelso and Berwick branch of the English North-Eastern railway also does not touch Berwickshire, yet keeps constantly so near it on the English side of the Tweed as to be of much value to various parts of its Border districts, particularly around Coldstream, Ladykirk, and Paxton.

The only royal burgh is Lauder; the only police burghs are Duns, Eyemouth, and Coldstream; the only towns with upwards of 2000 inhabitants are Duns and Eyemouth; and the only towns with upwards of 1000 inhabitants are Coldstream and Earlston; the only harbours are Eyemouth and Burnmouth; the only place of political note is Greenlaw, the county town; and the other small towns and principal villages are Ayton, Chirnside, Coldingham, Gordon, Leitholm, Paxton, Swinton, Gavinton, Auchinceraw, Reston, Birgham, Allanton, and Cockburnspath. The chief seats are The Hirsell, Thirlstane Castle, Langton House, Hutton Hall, Nisbet House, Mertoun House, Dryburgh Abbey, Lennel House, Marchmont House, Newton-Don, Reuton House, Blackadder House, Paxton House, Kelloe, Ayton Castle, Ladykirk House, Duns Castle, Milne Garden, Stoneridge House, Broadmeadows, Manderston, Abbey St Bathans House, Stitchel House, Peelwalls House, The Lees, Hope Park, Carolside, Cowdenknowes, Allanbank House, Rowchester, Cumledge, Wedderburn Castle, Broomhouse, Edrom House, Kimmerghame, Cranshaws Castle, Netherbyres, Gungreen House, Calder House, Charterhall, Swinton House, Bemersyde, Gladwood, Nenthorn House, Ninewells, Blarne House, Bassendean House, Spottiswoode, Edrington Castle, Edrington House, Mordington House, Anton's Hill, Belcheater House, Bughrig House, Eccles House, Kames, Mersington House, Purveshall, Longformacous House, Coldingham Law House, and Fairlaw House.

The county is governed by a lord-lieutenant, a vice-lieutenant, 6 deputy lieutenants, a sheriff, a sheriff-substitute, and a large number of magistrates. The sheriff and commissary courts are held at Greenlaw on the last Thursday of every month, and at Duns on every Friday during session. Sheriff small debt courts

are held at Greenlaw seven times, at Duns eight times, at Coldstream and Ayton four times, and at Lauder thrice a year. Justice of peace small debt courts are held monthly at Duns, Coldstream, Lauder, and Ayton; and quarter sessions are held at Greenlaw. The police force, in 1891, comprised 28 men; and the salary of the chief constable was £295. The county prison at Greenlaw was discontinued in February 1880, that of Jedburgh taking its place. The County Council is composed of 64 members—one-half elected direct, the other half being representatives of the Parochial Board. Of the total number, the East District sends 22 members (12 elected and 10 representatives); the Middle District, 25 (12 elected and 13 representatives); and the West District, 17 (8 elected and 9 representatives). The annual value of real property, assessed at £245,379 in 1815, was £252,945 in 1843, £391,169 in 1875, £355,123 in 1881, and £301,118 in 1891, excluding railways, the value of which was £21,470. The county returns one member to parliament; and, in 1891, had a constituency of 5644. Pop. (1801) 30,206, (1811) 30,893, (1821) 33,385, (1831) 34,048, (1841) 34,438, (1851) 36,297, (1861) 36,613, (1871) 36,486, (1881) 35,383, (1891) 32,406, of whom 16,962 were females. Houses (1891), 6837 inhabited, 743 vacant, 25 building.

There was some rearrangement of the boundaries of Berwickshire by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891, in so far as these were affected by the counties of Haddington and Roxburgh. The parish of Oldhamstocks was partly in the county of Berwick and partly in that of Haddington. Part of the Berwickshire portion (a detached part) was transferred to the Berwickshire parish of Coldingham, and the remainder transferred to Haddingtonshire; so that Oldhamstocks is now wholly within the latter county. The Berwickshire parishes of Lauder and Earlston had detached portions in the county of Roxburgh; these portions, and so much of the latter parish as lay to the west of the Leader Water, have been transferred to the parish of Melrose, in the county of Roxburgh. A semi-detached portion of the Berwickshire parish of Mertoun was transferred to St Boswells parish, also in Roxburghshire. There has likewise been some rearrangement of the interior parishes, for which, however, see the separate articles.

The registration county gives off part of Oldhamstocks parish to Haddingtonshire; comprises 32 entire parishes; and had, in 1891, a population of 32,311. Thirty-one parishes are assessed for the poor; and respectively eight and one are included in the Kelso and the East Lothian poor-house combinations. The number of registered poor, during the year ending 14 May 1891, was 490; and of casual poor, 10. The number of pauper lunatics was 94; and the expenditure on their account was £2411. The percentage of illegitimate births was 9·3 in 1877, 10·9 in 1878, 9 in 1879, and 9·2 in 1890.

The civil county is divided ecclesiastically into 32 *quoad sacra* parishes and parts of two others; Cockburnspath being in the presbytery of Dunbar and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale, the rest in the presbyteries of Duns, Chirnside, Earlston, and Kelso, in the synod of Merse and Teviotdale. The 33 Established churches had 8920 communicants in 1890; 19 Free churches, in the presbyteries of Haddington, Duns, Kelso, and Selkirk, had 3134 members in 1891; and 18 U.P. churches, in Duns, Kelso, and Melrose presbyteries, had 4340 members. In Sept. 1891 the county had 55 schools (53 of them public), which, with accommodation for 7778 children, had 5540 on the registers, and 4516 in average attendance, whilst there were 77 certificated, 17 articulated, and 27 pupil teachers.

The territory now constituting Berwickshire was anciently inhabited by the Caledonian Otalini or Otadeni; became part of the Saxon Bernicia, one of the two original sections of the Saxon Northumbria; and till 1020 continued to be included in Northumbria. Cospatrick, Earl of Northumberland, and afterwards Earl of Dunbar, acquired it in 1020 from Malcolm II., and settled in Scotland to govern it and other possessions. Edgar, the son of Malcolm, resumed it in 1097, and bequeathed

it, along with Lothian and part of Northumberland, to his brother David. It rose, in David's time, to much consequence; received many distinguished Norman and Anglo-Saxon families as settlers; and had Berwick for its capital. Berwick then also became practically the capital of all the country from the northern part of Northumberland to the Firth of Forth, and began to figure as a great seaport, as a place of rich churches, monasteries, and hospitals, and as one of the first four royal burghs of Scotland. Tradesmen from the Low Countries and other parts of the Continent settled in it, and furthered its prosperity; and Scandinavian rovers made descents on it, but were successfully repulsed. The English laid claim to it in the time of William the Lion, stormed it in the time of Alexander II., and involved it in a series of contests and disasters during the dispute for the succession of the Scottish crown. The town thenceforth became an object of continual jealousy, and of repeated blows and negotiations between the Scotch and the English; it was valuable during their many international wars, for at once its wealth, its fortifications, and its extensive command of the Border districts; it often suffered the miseries of siege and capture, so as to be now a Scotch town, and now an English one; in 1482 it was finally relinquished by the Scotch; and in the Redistribution of Seats Bill of 1885 it was included in the Berwick-on-Tweed division of Northumberland. Berwickshire, throughout great part of its extent, necessarily partook largely in the vicissitudes and disasters of Berwick; and it contemporaneously suffered much also from the high-handed movements of the Cospatricks, the Homes, the Hepburns, and the Douglasses, and from the multitudinous turmoils of the Border reivers. Scarcely is there a mile of it, scarcely a natural fastness in it, scarcely a ruin, but what bears testimony to ancient tumult and bloodshed. So insecure was it that most of it, down to the 15th century, was available at best for the feeding of flocks and the rearing of cattle. Yet after the advent of peaceful times, it rose rapidly and brilliantly into a state of general prosperity, and, in more modern times, it has equalled the best central districts of Scotland in at once social, industrial, educational, and religious advancement.

In several places are cairns, supposed to belong to the times of the Otadeni, whose camps or vestiges of camps are at Habchester, Wardlaw Hill, Legerwood Hill, and Birken-side Hill. Otadenian and Roman remains are in Cockburnspath parish, and Roman camps are at Chesters in Fogo, Battleknoves in Whitsome, and on a hill in Channelkirk. Pictish camps are in Channelkirk and Lauder parishes. Two military stations, supposed to have been originally a Danish camp, are on a hill near Raedleughhead in Langton parish. An ancient unincised standing stone or obelisk is at Crosshall in Eccles. An earthen mound, called Herrit's Dyke, with a ditch on one side of it, is about a mile from Greenlaw; and, not very many years ago, could have been traced in continuation about 14 miles eastward. Three concentric circles of stone, called Edwin's or Woden's Hall, are on the Whitadder, about a mile below Abbey St Bathans. Remains of ancient monastic houses are at Dryburgh, Coldingham, and Abbey St Bathans; and sites of others are at Coldstream, Eccles, and St Abb's Head. Old castles, or ruins or sites of such, are at Lauder, Hume, Cockburnspath, Fast, Cranshaw, Dunse, Huntly, Edrington, Aytou, Leitholm, Hutton, Morriston, and Evelan. Aldcambus is famous for Bruce's meeting with the papal envoy, Lauder Bridge for the murder of James III.'s minions by the Earl of Angus, and a tabular space on the top of Dunse Law for the encampment on it of Leslie's Covenanting army; while Gordon parish and its village of Huntly were the early residence of the great Gordon family of the north of Scotland, and give name to respectively their dukedom of Gordon and their marquissate of Huntly. A county history is still a desideratum, but Berwickshire folklore has been collected in *Popular Rhymes, Sayings, and Proverbs of the County of Berwick*, with illustrative notes by George Henderson; the popular speech is learnedly handled

in James Murray's *Dialect of the Southern Counties of Scotland*; and a great amount of valuable matter, scientific and antiquarian, is contained in the *Proceedings* of the Berwickshire Naturalists' Club, which was instituted in 1831.

Berwickshire Railway, a railway chiefly in Berwickshire and partly in Roxburghshire. Starting from a junction at Duns with the Reston and Duns branch of the North British, it goes south-westward through Berwickshire, past Greenlaw and Gordon, to Earlston; thence proceeds southward into junction with the Hawick line of the North British at Newton St Boswells. It is 20½ miles long; was authorised in 1862, on a capital of £100,000 in £10 shares, and £33,300 on loan; was opened from Duns to Earlston in November 1863, and from Earlston to Newton St Boswells in October 1865; and in 1876 was merged in the North British railway system.

Bethelnie, the north-western district of Meldrum parish, Aberdeenshire, about 3½ miles NW of Old Meldrum village. Here till about 1684 stood the original parish church, still represented by its foundations and graveyard. Core Hill of Bethelnie (804 feet) occupies much of the district, and has a ridge form, extending into the contiguous parish of Fyvie. Rock crystal is found on it, and a 'Roman Camp' lay on its SE skirts, but has been obliterated.

Bettyhill. See FARR.

Bevelaw. See BAVELAW.

Biblestone, an ancient landmark in Birnie parish, Elginshire, about a mile E of Birnie church. It lies on the side of the road from Birnie to Rothes, and has engraven upon it the figure of a book.

Biddes or Bidhouse Burn, a rivulet of Crawford parish, S Lanarkshire, rising on the SE slope of Tomont Hill (1652 feet), and running 1½ mile north-eastward, till it falls into Eran Water, 7½ miles NW of Moffat. Its banks were the scene in 1592, of a sanguinary onslaught upon the Crichtons by the Johnstones of Wamphray, led by William Johnstone of Kirkhill. An old ballad says:

Then out spoke Willie of the Kirkhill,
Of fighting, lads, ye'se hae your fill;
And from his horse Willie he lap,
And a burnished brand in his hand he gat.
Out through the Crichtons Willie be ran,
And dang them down, bairn horse and man,
O but the Johnstones were wondrous rude,
When the Biddes Burn ran three days blude.

Biel. See BELL.

Bigga, an uninhabited island in the N of Shetland, in Yell Sound, 1½ mile W of the south-western extremity of Yell island. It is 2½ miles long (235 acres), and belongs in common to the parishes of Yell and Deltling.

Biggar (Gael. *bighair*, 'soft land'), a town and a parish on the eastern border of the Upper Ward of Lanarkshire. The town by road is 12½ miles ESE of Lanark, and 28 SW of Edinburgh; by a branch of the Caledonian, opened in 1860, it is 37 miles from the latter city, 3½ ENE of Symington Junction, 41 ESE of Glasgow, and 15½ W by S of Peebles. A small, yet picturesque and ancient place, it is built on a sunward slope to left and right of the Tweeddale Biggar Burn, but within 2 miles of the Clyde's main valley, and within 6 of Tinto and Culter Fell. It consists of one very broad main street, two back streets, and the West-rav suburb, this last, across the burn, communicating with the older portion by the new iron bridge of 1873; in 1451 it was created a burgh of barony, in 1863 a police burgh, being governed by a senior and 5 junior magistrates. It has a post office with money-order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Commercial, Royal, and National banks, a local savings bank, gas-works, several hotels and inns, a corn-exchange (1861) with a clock-tower, a public library, and is well supplied with pure water from a five miles' source. The collegiate parish church of St Mary, founded in 1545 by Malcolm, third Lord Fleming, for a provost, 8 prebendaries, 4 singing boys, and 6 bedesmen, is interesting as among the latest, if not indeed the last, of Scotland's pre-Reformation churches.

A plain Second Pointed, cruciform, aisleless structure, it retains the low central tower with NE belfry turret, the corbie-stepped western gable, and the embattled choir with trigonal apse; but though recent restoration has done much to improve it, it has lost a W porch, N sacristy, and lych-gate, along with its gilt oak chancel roof, its organ loft, and its emblazoned scutcheons. In its churchyard lie three generations of the Gladstones of LIBBERTON, beginning with 'John Gladstones, maltman and burgess in Biggar' (1693-1756), great-grandson of the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone. The United Presbyterians have two places of worship, the North and South or Moat Park and Gillespie churches; the former (rebuilt in 1866 at a cost of £1400) was served from 1806 to 1822 by Dr John Brown, the well-known biblical expositor, whose son and namesake, author of *Rab and his Friends*, was born at the manse, 22 Sept. 1810. Monday is market-day; and fairs are held on the last Thursday *a.s.* of January (horses and hiring), the Thursday after first Tuesday of March (seeds), the last Thursday of April (horses, etc.), the Thursday after 11 June (*do.*), the third Thursday *a.s.* of July (wool and shearers), the first Thursday after 12 August (cattle show), the 17 September if Thursday, if not Thursday after (horses, etc.), and the last Thursday *a.s.* of October (*do.*) Two public schools, South and West, with respective accommodation for 212 and 210 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 176 and 96, and grants of £192, 7s. 6d. and £111, 7s. Municipal constituency (1891) 299. Pop. (1790) 589, (1831) 1454, (1841) 1395, (1851) 1590, (1861) 1448, (1871) 1471, (1881) 1556, (1891) 1356.

Bounded NW by Libberton and Walston, E by Skirling in Peebleshire, S by Culter, and SW by Libberton, the parish has an extreme length, from Broomy Law at its north-eastern to the Clyde at its south-western angle, of 6½ miles; a varying breadth from E to W of 7 furlongs and 4½ miles; and an area of 7288½ acres, of which 16½ are water. The Clyde, near Culter station, traces the border for some 300 yards; but most of the drainage is carried eastward to the Tweed by BIGGAR Water, whose level haugh, 610 feet or so above sea-level, comprises the SE corner of the parish. All its remaining surface swells into moderate hills, rounded and soft in outline, rising northward to 788 feet near Spittal, 1192 near Balwaistie, 842 near Carwood, 1176 on Eve Hill, 817 on Strawlaw, and 1399 on Broomy Law; westward to 975 feet near West Lindsaylands, 1041 near Springfield, and 1275 and 1024 on Biggar Common. The prevailing rocks are eruptive, including greenstone, porphyry, and amygdaloid, which last has yielded fine pebbles and moss-agates; the soils consist chiefly of clay, sand, loam, and peat-moss. During the last half century great improvements have been effected in reclaiming and fertilising land and in restraining the Biggar's inundations, so that less than a fifteenth of the entire area is left now as too lilly for the plough, whilst nearly one-ninth is covered by plantations. A moat hill, at the W end of the town, is 56 feet high, and 120 paces round the base, 54 round the top; of Boghall Castle, which stood in a swamp ½ mile to the S, hardly a shred remains, it having fifty years since been razed for the sake of its stones. This was the seat of the great Fleming family, Lords Fleming from 1460, and Earls of Wigton from 1606 to 1747, whose founder, Baldwin, settled at Biggar under a charter of David I. (1124-53). His descendants figure in the battles of Halidon Hill, Otterburn, and Pinkie, and in the annals of Dumbarton Castle; and Biggar's chief memories centre round this stronghold. As for the battle fought in 1297 on Biggar Moss, between Edward I.'s vast host, 60,000 strong, and Wallace's 3000 horse (*plus* an unknown quantity of ill-armed foot), the battle in which 11,000 Englishmen were slain, it rests on Blind Harry and local tradition. But Boghall, we know, lodged Edward II. in 1310, Queen Mary in 1565; and in 1568 it yielded to the Regent Murray, and in 1650 to Cromwellian troopers, who held it next year against Leslie's summons to surrender, when Charles II. reached Biggar *en route* for Worcester. And its beauti-

ful ruin was sketched by fat, fadgel Grose (1789), and visited by Scott and Lockhart (1831), within a twelvemonth of Sir Walter's death. Gladstone is situated about 3½ miles distant from Biggar. As may be inferred from what has been already said, this is the native district of the Gladstones, and possesses a peculiar attraction for many. Modern mansions, with the proprietors and the extent and yearly value of their estates in the shire, are—Biggar Park, 1 mile SW of the town; Carwood House (1832), 2 miles N by W (Jas. D. Mitchell, 1525 acres, £1413); Cambus Wallace, 1 mile NNE (Jn. Paul, 71 acres, £183); and Edmonston Castle, 3½ miles NNE. In all, 4 landowners held each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 10 of between £100 and £500, 17 of from £50 to £100, and 35 of from £20 to £50. Biggar is seat of a presbytery in the synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the total value of the living is £337. Valuation (1891) £13,670. Pop. (1801) 1216, (1831) 1915, (1851) 2049, (1861) 1999, (1871) 2013, (1881) 2123, (1891) 1902.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 24, 1864.

The presbytery of Biggar comprises the parishes of Biggar, Broughton, Covington, Culter, Dolphinton, Dunsyre, Libberton, Skirling, Symington, Walston, and Waudel. Pop. (1881) 6290, (1891) 5573, of whom 1939 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, the sums raised by the above eleven congregations amounting to £795. The Free Church presbytery of Biggar and Peebles, meeting at the latter town, comprises the churches of Broughton, Culter, Ellsridgehill, Innerleithen, Kirkurd, Peebles, and Skirling, which together had 1277 members in 1891.

See Wm. Hunter's *Biggar and the House of Fleming* and Prof. J. Veitch's 'Mr Gladstone's Ancestors' in *Frazer's Magazine* (June 1880).

Biggar, The, a stream of Lanark and Peebles shires, rising in the NE of Biggar parish at an altitude of some 800 feet, and first, as Biggar Burn, flowing 6½ miles south-westward, southward, and south-westward, along the Walston and Libberton boundaries, and through the interior past Biggar town. It next, as Biggar Water, flows 5 miles east-by-southward, parting Biggar and Skirling from Culter and Broughton, and traversing BROUGHTON, till, at about 600 feet above sea-level, it falls into the Tweed, ¾ mile NNE of Drummelzier. Its lower course lies through an open vale; and at the point where it bends from southward to eastward, or 1½ mile from the Clyde, it is joined by a rill that in times of high flood brings to it part of the waters of that river. Open to the public, it abounds in fine red-fleshed trout, averaging ¾ lb.

Bilbster, an estate in Wick parish, Caithness, with a mansion and with a station on the Wick branch of the Sutherland and Caithness railway, 5 miles WNW of Wick town. Between 1850 and 1875 its purchaser, Mr Jas. Henderson, expended nearly £12,000 on improving the estate.

Billikkellet or **Balleykellet**, a ruined ancient mansion in Big Cumbrae island, Buteshire, ¾ mile N by E of Millport. It belonged to a family of the name of Montgomery, who are said to have possessed the greater part of the island till about the beginning of the 18th century. Among the last of the line was Dame Margaret Montgomery, joint-patroness of the kirk, who, being on horseback at the green of Largs, is said to have been thrown off amidst a crowd of persons; but, being a woman of high spirit, she pursued the horse, and received a stroke of his foot, which proved instantly fatal. 'The arms of this family,' it is stated in the *Old Statistical Account*, 'are upon the end of the kirk, and were lately to be seen on a part of the ruins of Billikkellet. About a quarter of a mile from those ruins there is a large standing stone set up on end, with about 6 feet of it above the ground. It appears to have been the rude monument of some ancient hero.'

Billy. See BUNKLE.

Billynether or **Billow Ness**, the western headland of Anstruther Bay, in Fife.

Bilsdean, a hamlet and a burn of NE Haddingtonshire. The hamlet is in Oldhamstocks parish, and lies

on the burn, near its mouth, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of the boundary with Berwickshire, and $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles SE of Dunbar. The burn rises in Innerwick parish, and runs 3 miles north-eastward to the sea.

Bimar, a rocky islet of Inverkeithing parish, Fife, in the Firth of Forth, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile WSW of North Queensferry, and 1 mile WNW of Inch Garvie. It is covered at high water; and it is crowned with a stone beacon, 27 feet high and 13 in diameter, erected by the Commissioners of Northern Lights.

Bin, a conspicuous hill in Burntisland parish, Fife. It rises abruptly, behind the town of Burntisland, from a line $\frac{1}{4}$ mile distant from the shore; culminates at a point about 1 mile NNE of Burntisland Harbour; attains there, in one of two tops, an altitude of 632 feet above sea-level; presents, in its S front and in its summits, a bare and rugged appearance, in striking contrast to the fertility and brilliance all around it; and forms a marked feature among the screens of the Forth.

Binarty. See BENARTY.

Binchinnan. See BENCHINNAN.

Binend, a lake in Eaglesham parish, SE Renfrewshire, near the Ayrshire boundary, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Eaglesham village. Measuring 5 by 2 furlongs, it contains large pike and perch, and is overlung on the E by Ballageich Hill, 1084 feet above sea-level.

Binghill. See PETERCULTER.

Bingry. See BALLINGRY.

Bin Hill of Cullen, an eminence in the E of Rathven parish, N Banffshire, $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles SW of Cullen town, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ distant from the coast. Conical in shape, it rises to a height of 1050 feet above sea-level, and is crowned by a cairn, surmounted by a flagstaff. About 1744 it was planted to the very summit, which is gained by a carriage-drive, and commands a magnificent prospect—to Wick, 54 miles NNW; Buchan Ness, 43 miles ESE; Bennochie, 28 miles SSE; and Ben Wyvis, 65 miles W. Little Bin, $4\frac{1}{4}$ furlongs E by N, is 802 feet high. See pp. 311-322 of James Brown's *Round Table Club* (Elgin, 1873).

Binn, a wooded hill 555 feet high in Kinfauns parish, E Perthshire. It rises a little to the E of Kinfauns Castle; has a smooth but rather steep ascent, and a somewhat conical shape; and commands from its summit almost a bird's-eye view of Kinfauns Castle and pleasure-grounds, and an extensive prospect over the picturesque surrounding country. It is crowned by an observatory-tower, upwards of 80 feet high, built about 1813 by the late Lord Grey; and hence is sometimes called Tower Hill.

Binnaness, a headland and a voe or bay in Shetland.

Binnend, a prosperous village of Burntisland parish, Fifeshire, with a public school. Pop. (1891) 756.

Binnie, East and West, two hamlets on the SE border of Linlithgow parish, partly also in Uphall parish, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW and $1\frac{3}{4}$ WNW of Uphall village. Excellent sandstone is quarried in their vicinity, and has been extensively used for building purposes.

Binniehill, a town in Slamannan parish, Stirlingshire, on the Slamannan railway, in the south-western vicinity of Slamannan station. Pop. (1891), together with Southfield, 2018.

Binning, an ancient parish in Linlithgowshire, annexed, after the Reformation, to Linlithgow parish. The title of Baron Binning was given from it, in 1613, to Thomas Hamilton, secretary of state under James VI.; and continues to be borne by his descendant, the Earl of Haddington.

Binning, a wood in Whitekirk parish, Haddingtonshire, within the grounds of the Earl of Haddington, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile W by N of Tynninghame House. It was planted, in 1707, over the face of what had been a moorish common, called Tynninghame Muir; it covers about 300 Scottish acres; and it has its trees in radii or avenues, diverging from 3 centres, and affording beautiful walks and rides.

Binnas, a mansion in the W of Abercorn parish, Linlithgowshire, 4 miles WNW of Linlithgow. A castellated structure, built in 1623, and enlarged about 1820,

it stands amid some old trees, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile distant from the Firth of Forth, on the western grassy slope of Binnas Hill (200 feet), whose top is crowned by a conspicuous tower. Within are beautiful plaster ceilings, curious old furniture, and a collection of family and royal portraits, the latter said to have been saved from the burning of Linlithgow Palace in 1746. For more than three centuries the seat of a branch of the Dalryells, Binnas was the birthplace of Sir Thomas Dalryell (1599-1685), the bearded Muscovy general, who routed the Covenanters at Rullion Green in 1666; who, in old age, adorned this mansion with 'avenues, large parks, and fine gardens, pleasing himself with the culture of curious flowers and plants; and who, in 1681, embodied here the Scots Greys regiment. In 1685 his son received a baronetcy, whose sixth holder, Sir John Graham Dalryell (1776-1851), was an eminent antiquary, and author of 17 works. The eighth baronet, Sir Robert Alexander Osborne Dalryell (1821-86), was twentieth in lineal descent from Walter, Earl of Meutith. The present proprietor, Mrs E. G. C. Dalryell, is owner of 820 acres in the shire.

Binram's Cross, a small mound, with a few stones on its top, in Yarrow parish, Selkirkshire, 7 furlongs W of the mouth of St Mary's Loch. Tradition makes it the grave of a wizard priest, the hero of Hogg's wild ballad of *Miss John*.

Binscarth, an estate, with a good modern mansion, in Firth parish, Pomona, Orkney, 7 miles W of Kirkwall. Purchased in 1841 by his grandfather, by whom many important improvements were carried out, it is now the property of Robert Searth, Esq., owner of 1807 acres.

Birdstone, a village in Campsie parish, Stirlingshire, adjacent to the Campsie railway, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Lennoxton. It was the birthplace and residence of the Campsie poet, William Muir. A few Roman urns, and a number of English coins of Elizabeth, James I., and Charles I., have been exhumed in its vicinity; and the latter are supposed to have been hid by the inhabitants, on occasion of their flight from the troops of the Marquis of Montrose at the time of the battle of Kilsyth.

Birgham or Brigham, a village in Eccles parish, Berwickshire, 330 yards from the Tweed, opposite Carham in Northumberland, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S of Coldstream. It has a post office under that town, a public school, and the graveyard of a pre-Reformation chapel, remains of which were standing 70 years ago. A meeting of William the Lyon and some of his nobles and prelates with an ecclesiastical envoy from Henry II. of England took place at Birgham in 1188, to resist the alleged supremacy of the English over the Scottish Church; and a convention of the Scottish Estates, to consider the proposed marriage between the Princess Margaret of Scotland and Prince Edward of England, also was held here in 1289. It was followed, on 15 July of next year, by the signing here of an international deed, the treaty of Brigham, which minutely provided for the independence of Scotland. 'Go to Birgham' is equivalent, in the surrounding country, to 'Go to Banff,' or 'Bath,' or 'Jericho' elsewhere.

Birksenhaw, a small estate in the W of Dalserf parish, Lanarkshire, on the river Avon, 2 miles S of Larkhall. An excellent smiddy coal is worked here; and a bed of cannel coal, in a vertical position, sunk to 40 fathoms by an eruptive dislocation, is in the near vicinity of the smiddy coal.

Birkenside, a hill 923 feet above sea-level, in Legerwood parish, SW Berwickshire. An ancient Caledonian camp on it can still be traced.

Birkhall, a mansion in Glenmuick parish, Aberdeenshire, on the left bank of the Muick, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Ballater. A fine old house, purchased by the late Prince Consort from the Abergeldie family, it now belongs to the Queen; the estate is beautifully wooded, and on it is a girls' school, built by Her Majesty. A wire suspension bridge, 80 feet in span, was thrown over the Muick before the house in 1850, eight wooden bridges having been swept away during the 32 years before.

Birkhill. See BALMERINO.

Birkhill, a mountain-pass on the mutual border of Selkirk and Dumfriesshires, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of the head of St Mary's Loch, and $11\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Moffat. A cottage inn here, at 1100 feet above sea-level, serves as a place of call and refreshment to persons visiting the wild scenery around Loch Skeen and the Grey Mare's Tail. The surrounding country is mountainous moorland, and was a frequent retreat of the Covenanters. A hill opposite the inn was a station for their watchmen on the look-out for the approach of dragoons, and still bears the name of Watch Hill. Four of the Covenanters, on one occasion, were shot near the inn's door by order of Claverhouse.

Birkhill Feus, a village in Liff and Benvie parish, Forfarshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Dundee.

Birkhillside, an estate, with a mansion, in Legerwood parish, SW Berwickshire, 3 miles N of Earlston.

Birkwood, a mansion in Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of Abbeygreen. It is the seat of General D. E. M'Kirdy, owner of 1250 acres in the shire, valued at £1170 per annum.

Birleyhill. See DURISDEER.

Birnam, a suburban village in Little Dunkeld parish, and a hill and a pass partly also in Auchtergaven parish, Perthshire. The village stands on the Highland railway, at Dunkeld station, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SSE of Dunkeld, and has an excellent supply of gas and water, with efficient drainage. Of recent erection, on feus from the late Sir William Drummond Stewart, it contains a good many handsome shops and dwelling-houses—the latter chiefly let to summer visitors; and presents an aspect of cleanliness, comfort, and elegance, excelled by no other village in Great Britain. At it are a post office, with money order and savings' bank departments; a railway telegraph office; a spacious hotel; and St Mary's Episcopal church. The hotel is in the Saxon-Gothic style, with towers and other features giving it an ecclesiastical and imposing appearance; contains a public hall, so large and ornate as to be one of the finest in Scotland; and has attached to it a billiard room, a bowling green, and beautiful grounds. St Mary's (1856-57) is Early Middle Pointed in style, with severe geometrical tracery, and consists of tower, nave, and chancel. The railway station is an ornamental structure. On a neighbouring wooded eminence, Torr Hill, are a number of tasteful villas, of which Erigmore was tenanted by Mr J. E. Millais, R.A., in 1880, as earlier likewise was St Mary's Tower. Highland games are held on the last Thursday of August. Pop. (1871) 530, (1881) 471, (1891) 494.

Birnam Hill rises to the S of the village; and, attaining an altitude of 1324 feet above sea-level, commands an extensive view of Strathmore, Stormont, Strathbraan, and Athole. It once was covered by the royal forest immortalised by Shakespeare in *Macbeth*; but its ancient woods have long ago been felled, and thriving plantations of firs and birches now are taking their place. 'Duncan's Camp,' where King Duncan held his court, or vestiges of a round fort, occurs at an altitude of 658 feet on its SE acclivity; and Birnam Pass goes between Duncan's Camp and the Tay, being traversed by the railway and the public road. The portal thither through which Highland caterans, Montrose's force, and Prince Charles Edward's army poured from the Highlands on the Lowland plain, it is sometimes called the 'Mouth of the Highlands'; it separates a Gaelic-speaking population on the N from an English-speaking population on the S; and it presents a miniature of many of the grandest of the Highland glens, with the addition of a slow majestic river. A small mountain brook enters the Tay a little above the Pass's upper end; and is spanned by a rustic seven-arched bridge called Birnam Bridge, built at a cost of about £2500.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Birness, a post office hamlet in Ellon parish, E Aberdeenshire, 4 miles NE of Ellon village.

Birnie (*Erennack* in 12th c.), a parish of Elginshire, containing the hamlet of Thomshill, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of its post-town and station, Elgin; and bounded N and NE

by Elgin parish, SE by Rothes, W by Dallas and Elgin. In shape resembling a rude triangle, with eastward vertex at Netherglen, it has an extreme length from N to S of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme width from E to W of 3 miles, and a land area of 6777 acres. Lennoc Burn winds 4 miles along all the Dallas border to the Lossie, which here has a northerly course of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, chiefly upon the western boundary with Elgin, and which here too is joined by Geddoch Burn from the SE. The surface has a general southward rise, from 100 feet or so above sea-level in the furthest north to 323 feet near Claypot, 614 near Hangingfolds, 630 near Glenlatterach, 907 on Mill Our, 902 on Hart Hill, 1164 on Pikey Hill, and 1095 on Red Taingy, these three last summits culminating on the south-eastern border. The rocks are gneissose in the S, Old Red sandstone in the N; and gravelly or sandy soils predominate, but rich alluvial loam and deep and retentive clay also occupy considerable tracts. About two-fifths of the whole area are under the plough, besides some 500 acres of plantations, the rest being mostly moss or heathery hill. Birnie is in the presbytery of Elgin and synod of Moray; the minister's income is £192. Its church, St Brandon's, stands near the Lossie, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile NNW of Thomshill, and is one of the oldest in Scotland. A good example of Romanesque, though sadly modernised, it consists of chancel and nave, the former wanting an E window, the latter shortened to the W in 1794; while special features are the enriched chancel arch and jamb-shafts, a characteristic Norman font, and the ancient 'Coronach' or 'Ronnell' bell, made, it is said, of silver and copper at Rome, and blessed by the Pope himself. Here in 1184 was buried Simon de Tonci, fourth Bishop of Moray, Birnie during the 12th century having been one of the seats of that bishopric, Spynie and Kenedor being the others. A public school, with accommodation for 144 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 79, and a grant of £92, 10s. 6d. Pop. (1801) 366, (1851) 427, (1871) 375, (1891) 405.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 85, 1876.

Birns, a rivulet of Haddingtonshire, rising on the W side of Lammer Law (1733 feet), near the Berwickshire boundary, and running some 7 miles north-westward along the boundary between Humber and Penciland parishes on the left, and Yester, Bolton, and Salton parishes on the right, to a confluence with the Tyne, 1 mile E of Wester Penciland village. Its volume here is rather larger than that of the Tyne.

Birrens, a place, with a Roman camp, in Middlebie parish, Dumfriesshire, a little SSE of Middlebie church, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile ENE of Ecclefechan, and 3 miles SE of the summit of BRUNSWARK. The Roman camp here is one of the best preserved in Great Britain, retaining its fosse, aggeres, and prætorium in a state of perfect distinctness. Another Roman camp adjoined this, but was destroyed by the proprietor of the ground about 1820, when it yielded many splendid Roman relics, particularly large, well-cut, ornamental, inscribed stones.

Birrenswark. See BRUNSWARK.

Birsay and Harry, a united parish in the NW of the mainland of Orkney. It has two post offices, Birsay under Stromness, and Harry, a sub-office, the former 20 miles NW of Kirkwall, the latter 12 miles WNW. It is bounded W, NW, N, and NE by the Atlantic Ocean, E by Evie, Rendall, and Firth, S by Stennes, and SW by Sandwick. Its greatest length, from NNW to SSE, is 11 miles, and its greatest breadth is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Harry projects southward from the SE of Birsay, is wholly inland, and measures about $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles in length from N to S and about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles in extreme breadth. Of three headlands on the coast of Birsay—Marwick Head in the W, Brough Head in the NW, and Costa Head in the N—the first does not materially diversify the coastline, the second wavers between the character of an islet and that of a small peninsula, and the third presents to the sea a face of high precipitous rock. The entire sea coast is about 10 miles long, and has mostly a rocky shore. The surface of Birsay is hilly, but not mountainous; that of Harry is flat and rather swampy. Six considerable lakes, and some small ones are in Birsay, and abound with wild duck, swans, and other aquatic

birds; and the great E limb of Loch Stenness lies along 4 miles of the western boundary of Harray. Several burns run through Birsay, and contain fine trout and sometimes salmon; and numerous small burns traverse Harray. The entire district comprising both parishes was known to the Norsemen as *Bergishvrad* or 'the hunting territory,' and it answered so well their beau-ideal of a hunting ground, that the Norwegian jarls were induced to fix their chief residence in Birsay. The rocks include limestone, an excellent flag claystone, and abundance of building materials, but no sandstone. The soil in what is called the barony of Birsay is a rich loam, perhaps the most fertile in Orkney, admitting comparison with much good land in the best agricultural districts of Scotland; but it is said that in Birsay there still are from 10,000 to 12,000 acres lying waste, though highly susceptible of improvement. The hills are covered with coarse herbage locally called *lubbo*, a mixture of carices and moor grasses, serviceable for the browsing of cattle in summer. Birsay Palace, the residence of the Earls of Orkney, stood on a romantic site, on the coast, at the NW extremity of Birsay; dates from remote times and successive periods; was rebuilt or greatly enlarged by Earl Robert Stewart, the natural brother of Queen Mary, and by his son, Earl Patrick; was then modelled after Holyrood Palace in Edinburgh; formed a hollow quadrangle 153 feet by 100; fell into a state of neglect and ruin; and, in February 1863, was struck by a terrific gale, throwing down about 30 feet of its strong western façade, and leaving only about 4 feet of that side of the wall standing. The Brough of Birsay, on Brough Head, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of the palace, appears to have been a rock fortification, and shows vestiges of an ancient chapel. The coast scenery around the Brough is the finest on the W side of Pomona. Ancient standing stones are in several parts of Birsay, and Picts' houses are numerous. Eleven skeletons, enclosed in rough flagstones, were discovered in 1862, in the Knoe of Saverough, where, too, a square-shaped iron bell was found, now in the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum. Fairs for cattle and horses are held thrice a year in Birsay and thrice a year in Harray. The Earl of Zetland is chief proprietor, two others holding an annual value of between £100 and £500, 16 of from £20 to £50. The two parishes, both in the presbytery of Cairnston and synod of Orkney, were disjoined *quoad sacra* in 1876; the living of Birsay is worth £120, of Harray £330. Birsay church, with 565 sittings, was built in 1664, enlarged in 1760, and renovated in 1867; Harray church was built in 1836, and contains 450 sittings. One Free church is in Harray and another in Birsay, which also has a United Original Secession church (1829; 470 sittings). Three public schools—Birsay, Hundland, and Harray—with respective accommodation for 120, 60, and 108 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 110, 31, and 79, and grants of £129, 4s. 6d., £42, 3s. 6d., and £78. Pop. of united parish (1801) 2176, (1831) 2387, (1861) 2593, (1891) 2259, of whom 1233 were in Birsay and 1026 in Harray.

Birse, a hamlet and a Deeside parish of S Aberdeenshire. The hamlet stands towards the NW corner of the parish, on the left bank of the Burn of Birse, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Aboynze station; at it are a post office under Aboynze, a school, the manse, and the parish church.

The parish contains also the hamlet of Marywell, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile further ESE, and is bounded N by Aboynze, NE by Kincardine O'Neil and Banchory-Ternan, E and SE by Strachan in Kincardineshire, S by Lochlee in Forfarshire, and W by the Glentanner portion of Aboynze. It has a land area of 31,219 acres, exclusive of the Percie portion of ABOYNE. This portion, however (349 acres), was annexed to Birse parish by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. The DEE traces $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the northern, next $2\frac{1}{2}$ of the north-eastern boundary, being spanned by the bridges of Aboynze and Potarch; and the interior is drained by five of its main affluents and sub-affluents—Auld-dinnie Burn (running 4 miles N along the Glentanner border), the Burn of Birse ($5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE), the Burn of Cattie ($5\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE), the FEUGH (13 miles E by N, into Strachan), and

the AAN (9 miles ENE along the Kincardineshire frontier, to the Feugh). The Dee at the Auld-dinnie's inflow has an altitude above sea-level of 410, below Woodend Cottage of 232 feet; and from it the surface has a general west-south-westward rise, to Brackloch Craig (1034 feet) in the NW corner between the Auld-dinnie and the Burn of Birse; to Torquhandallachy (715), Brown Hill (900), Lamawhillis (1173), and Carmafrog (1724), between the Burns of Birse and Cattie; to Muekle Ord (724), Tom's Cairn (1016), Arutilly Craig (1052), Lauahip (1325), Brackenstake (1555), *Hill of Duchery (1824), *Craignahandle (1878), and *Gantoch (2396), between the Cattie and the Feugh; and to Creagandney (1347), Peter Hill (2023), Glaspits (1758), White Hill (1840), Cock Hill (1960), *Hill of Cammie (2028), and *Mudlee Bracks (2259), between the Feugh and the AAN, where the asterisks mark summits culminating on the western, and the daggers on the southern, border. Granite, inferior limestone, and gneiss are the prevailing rocks, with fine red porphyry at Potarch; the soil is sandy in the Mid-strath or Glen-cat valley, yellow loam in lower and black in upper Feughside, and sandy loam along the Burn of Birse and the Dee. Good crops are grown of oats and barley; and the plantations of Finzean, Ballogie, and Balfour, chiefly consisting of Scotch firs and larch, cover between 4000 and 5000 acres, but the old 'Forest of Birse,' to the S of the Feugh, is almost treeless now, and most of the marketable timber elsewhere has been felled. Fairs are held at the Bridge of Potarch on the second Thursday after the May, October, and November Aboynze fairs. Two ruined castles stand upon the Feugh, one (towards its source) ascribed to a Bishop Gordon of Aberdeen or to Gordon of Clune, the other (at Easter Clune) to 'Archbishop Ross,' by whom perhaps Archbishop James Stewart, Duke of Ross, who died in 1503, is meant; and there are also two gallow-hills, a good many cairns, a sculptured stone 6 feet high in the churchyard, and a long granite stone 'set up on Corse-dardar to mark the spot where King Dardanus was slain by his rebellious subjects.' Natives were Dr Alexander Garden (1730-91), botanist and zoologist of Charlestown, South Carolina, and the Rev. John Skinner (1721-1807), ecclesiastical historian and author of *Tullochgorum*, 'the best song,' said Burns, 'that Scotland ever saw.' Finzean House, Ballogie House, and Balfour House lie about 7, 5, and 3 miles ESE of Aboynze, the first being a fine old building forming three sides of a quadrangle, the other two modern mansions; and their respective owners, Dr Rt. Farquharson, M.P., Wm. Edw. Nicol, Esq., and Alex. Cochran, Esq., hold 16,809, 7219, and 1259 acres in the shire, of an annual value of £4616, £2558, and £339, whilst a fourth proprietor is the Marquis of Huntly. Birse is in the presbytery of Kincardine O'Neil and synod of Aberdeen; its minister's income is £168. St Michael's Roman Catholic Chapel of Ballogie (1853; 70 sittings) stands near the Cattie's confluence with the Dee, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Marywell, 1 mile SE of the Bridge of Potarch; and there are four board schools—Ballogie (girls), Birse, Finzean, and Forest. With respective accommodation for 53, 71, 80, and 49 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 33, 41, 71, and 14, and grants of £29, 15s. 6d., £34, 4s., £63, 15s. 6d., and £24, 1s. Valuation, £7005, 3s. Pop. (1801) 1266, (1821) 1506, (1841) 1295, (1851) 1533, (1861) 1284, (1871) 1198, (1881) 1093, (1891) 1094.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 66, 1871.

Birsley, a place in Tranent parish, Haddingtonshire, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SW of Tranent town, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Prestonpans battlefield. An extensive colliery is at it, and a rising ground here, Birsley Brae, was the spot whence Prince Charles Edward's troops marched to the conflict of Prestonpans.

Birthwood, an estate, with the seat of Rt. Paterson, Esq., in Culter parish, SE Lanarkshire, 6 miles S by W of Biggar.

Bishopbriggs, a village in Cadder parish, Lanarkshire, on the Edinburgh and Glasgow section of the North British Railway, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Cross of Glasgow. It was originally called Bishops' Riggs, and took that name from lands around it belonging to the Bishops of Glas-

gow; and it has a station on the railway, a post office with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, under Glasgow, a Church of Scotland mission station, a Free-church, a U.P. church, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 74 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 72, and a grant of £66, 15s. Pop. (1861) 658, (1871) 782, (1881) 832, (1891) 934.

Bishopmill, a district of the town of Elgin, in New Spynie parish, Elginshire, on the left bank of the river Lossie, opposite to ELGIN, and within the parliamentary boundaries of the town. A handsome iron bridge connects it with Elgin, and occupies the site of a stone bridge which was swept away by the great flood of 1829. It contains a few of the trades usually found in a country town, and one or two corn-mills. A public school here, with accommodation for 254 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 202, and a grant of £179, 11s. Pop. (1861) 1041, (1881) 1076, (1891) 1261.

Bishop's Burn, a rivulet of NE Wigtonshire, rising 2½ miles SW of Newton-Stewart, and running 6½ miles south-eastward, partly in Penninghame parish, partly along the boundary with Wigton parish, to the upper part of Wigton Bay.

Bishop's Forest, a height in the NW of Kirkpatrick-Irongray parish, Kirkcudbrightshire. Rising from a very broad irregular base it attains an altitude of 1285 feet above sea-level; is fringed all round with woods or arable grounds, and ploughed in some parts almost to the summit; and, on the side next Cairn Water, is clothed with plantation for ½ mile from the base; yet, seen from a distance, appears patched with heath and warted with naked rock, and presents a pastoral but commanding appearance.

Bishop's Hill, a hill on the mutual border of Kinrossshire and Fife, but mainly within Kinrossshire. It occupies the NE quarter of Portnoak parish; rises in the eastern vicinity of Belgedie and Kinnesswood villages; culminates 2½ miles NE of the north-eastern shore of Loch Leven; attains there an altitude of 1292 feet above sea-level; projects a spur into Fife, with a summit altitude of 1060 feet; and is adjoined, on the N, by West Lomond Hill.

Bishop's Loch, a beautiful lake in the SE of New Machar parish, Aberdeenshire, between Loch-hills and Fowlershill. Measuring 2 by ¾ furlongs, it was anciently called Loch Goul, and got its present name from having on its islet a residence of the bishops of Aberdeen. That residence was the death-place, in 1282, of Bishop Hugh de Benham; appears to have been of small extent, and is still traceable in its foundations and drawbridge ditch.

Bishop's Loch, a lake on the mutual border of Cadder and Old Monkland parishes, Lanarkshire, 2½ miles WNW of Coatbridge. Measuring nearly 1 mile in length and from 1 to 2 furlongs in width, it is one of the chief reservoirs for the Forth and Clyde Canal.

Bishop's Loch. See ARBROATH.

Bishop's Seat, a summit, 1651 feet above sea-level, in Dunoon parish, Argyllshire, 2½ miles W by N of Dunoon town.

Bishopston, a village, an estate, and a range of hills, in Erskine parish, Renfrewshire. The village stands 1 mile S of the Clyde, and has a station on the Glasgow and Greenock section of the Caledonian railway, 5 miles NNW of Paisley; at it are a Free church, a Board school, 2 inns, and a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. Pop. (1861) 341, (1891) 323.—The estate belonged, from 1332 and earlier, till about 1671, to the family of Brisbane, passed through a number of hands, and is now the property of Lord Blantyre.—The hill range divides the banks of the Clyde from the lowlands of Gyvedale; consists of compact trap rock, and is pierced by a tunnel of the Glasgow and Greenock railway. The tunnel is approached, at the two ends, by deep rock cuttings, respectively 748 and 946 yards long; consists of two reaches, respectively 320 and 340 yards long; and has, between these reaches, an open part 100 yards long and 70 feet deep. The formation of this subterranean passage

was a long and difficult process, engaging hundreds of workmen for years, and costing for gunpowder alone no less than about £12,000.

Bixter, a voe or bay in Sandsting parish, Shetland.

Blabhein or **Blaven** (Gael. *flath-bheinn*, 'heroes' mountain'), a mountain in the S of Skye, occupying the upper part of the peninsula between Lochs Slapin and Scavaig. Its eastern cliffs are torn with fissures and honeycombed with caves; its massive shoulders and sharp peaks of granite abound with crags and corries; and its general mass is a stern fantastic ridge. The usual line of ascent goes for about 6 feet along a summit edge of rocks scarcely more than a foot in width, and its summit has an altitude of 3019 feet above sea-level, and commands a most impressive view.

Blackadder, an estate and a river in Berwickshire. The estate is in Edrom parish, and belongs to Sir George Lauderdale Houston-Boswall, third Bart. since 1836 (b. 1847; suc. 1886). The mansion on it stands on the right bank of the river, 2 miles SSW of Chirnside, and has a cast-iron conservatory, in the form of a Gothic chapel, erected at a cost of several thousand pounds. A mineral well is on the estate, in a ravine near the river, not far from its influx into the Whitadder.—The river Blackadder rises in several head-streams among the Lammermuirs, in Westruther parish, at altitudes of from 1000 to 1200 feet above sea-level. Making a confluence of its head-streams in the NW of Greenlaw parish, it thence runs 6 miles south-eastward to Greenlaw town, thence north-eastward through Greenlaw, Fogo, and Edrom parishes to the Whitadder in the vicinity of Allanton, 1½ mile SW of Chirnside. Its length of course is some 20 miles; and its velocity, from the confluence of its two head-streams onward, has numerous alternations of calm pool and rapid current. Its waters contain good trout, but in some parts are strictly preserved. The name Blackadder is probably a corruption of Blackwater; seems to have been derived from a darkish tinge of the river, occasioned by peatiness of the soil in the upper reaches; and is usually pronounced and sometimes written Blackwater.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 25, 26, 34, 1863-64.

Blackbraes, a village in the W of Muiravonside parish, Stirlingshire, ¾ miles SSW of Falkirk. At it are a public school and a parish church, which, built at a cost of £860, serves also for Shieldhill in Polmont parish. Pop. (1861) 507, (1891) 510.

Blackburn, a village in Whitburn and Livingstone parishes, Linlithgowshire, on the river Almond, 1½ mile E of Whitburn station and 2½ miles S of Bathgate. It has a post office under Bathgate, a cotton mill employing some 120 hands, a mission station of the Church of Scotland, a Congregational chapel (1820), and a public school. Pop. (1861) 758, (1871) 954, (1891) 814, of whom 708 were in the Livingstone section.

Blackburn, a village near the meeting-point of Newhills, Dyce, and Kinnellar parishes, Aberdeenshire, 9 miles NW of Aberdeen. It has a post office under Kinnaldie, a Free church, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 116 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 86, and a grant of £77, 9s.

Black Burn, a mountain rivulet in Castleton parish, S Roxburghshire, running to the Liddel, ¾ mile above New Castleton. In its short easterly course of 4½ miles it makes a descent of 1300 feet, and forms a series of romantic falls, one of them 27 feet in leap, another 31½, and a third 37½. A natural bridge across it, consisting of one solid rock and 31 feet in span, fell in April 1810. A so-called 'Piets' Work,' a circular structure of large stones, strongly fortified by a wall, stands on its left bank.

Black Burn, a rivulet in Dallas parish, Elginshire, running to the Lossie.

Black Burn, a rivulet in Marykirk parish, Kincardineshire, running to the North Esk.

Black Burn, a rivulet of Kincardineshire and Aberdeenshire, formed by the confluence of Chuny and Corrie burns in Banchory-Ternan parish, and running 2 miles eastward to the Loch of Drum.

Black Cairn, a hill surmounted by a large cairn in Rayne parish, Aberdeenshire.

Black Cart. See CART.

Blackcastle, the northern summit (917 feet) of Cocklaw Hill (1046), in Innerwick parish, E Haddingtonshire. It takes its name from remains of an ancient fort.

Blackcastle, an ancient camp in Greenlaw parish, Berwickshire, on a precipitous bank at the confluence of Faugrist Burn and the Blackadder, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of Greenlaw. An entrenchment commences opposite to it, on the right bank of the Blackadder; runs about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile along the bank; turns thence to the S in the direction of Hume Castle; and, in the southerly reach of it, is called Black Dikes.

Black Cave, a great cavern piercing the Struey Rocks on the S coast of Arran, in Buteshire. It opens from the shore, at the level of water-mark; measures upwards of 160 feet in length, 80 in height, and 40 in width; and from its interior gives a striking view down the Firth of Clyde, past Ailsa Craig, to Galloway.

Blackchester, an ancient oval camp in Lauder parish, Berwickshire, on an elevated spot, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Lauder town. It has one entrance on the E, another on the W, and is fortified by two ditches and by earthen mounds.

Black Cove, a large, wild, dismal cavern on the Barocco shore of Berwick parish, Kirkcudbrightshire.

Blackcraig, a village in Minnigaff parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, 2 miles ESE of Newton-Stewart. Neighbouring lead and zinc mines yielded in one year 264 tons of lead from 353 tons of ore, and 76 tons of zinc.

Blackcraig, a hamlet near the meeting-point of Stirling, Clackmannan, and Perth shires. Its post-town is Menstrie.

Blackcraig, a mountain in New Cumnock parish, Ayrshire, near the Dumfriesshire border, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of New Cumnock village. It has an altitude of 2298 feet above sea-level.

Blackcraig, a hill in Creich parish, Fife, 1 mile S of the Firth of Tay, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Newburgh. It has an altitude of 665 feet above sea-level, and it commands a brilliant and extensive view of the lower basin of the Tay and the frontier Grampians.

Black Dee. See DEE, Kirkcudbrightshire.

Black Devon. See DEVON, Clackmannanshire.

Black Dikes. See BLACKCASTLE, Berwickshire.

Blackerstone, a former detached section of Longformacus parish, Berwickshire, interposed between two sections of Abbey St Bathans parish, and about 7 miles ENE of Longformacus church. Along with Retreat House it was, in 1891, transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish of Abbey St Bathans.

Black Esk. See Esk.

Blacket House, a ruined tower in Middlebie parish, Dumfriesshire, with the date 1404 and the initials W[illiam] B[ell] above its outer doorway. A Bell of Blacket House was the rejected suitor and the murderer of 'Fair Helen of KIRKCONNEL Lee.'

Blackford, a village and a parish of SE Perthshire. The village stands towards the middle of the parish, at the northern base of the Ochils, and on the right bank of Danny Burn, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from its confluence with Allan Water, and has a station, with telegraph office, on the Scottish Central section of the Caledonian, 4 miles SW of Auchterarder, $17\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Perth, 11 SSE of Crieff, $10\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Dunblane, and $15\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Stirling. Burned by the Earl of Mar in January 1716, it is a modern place, with a post office having money order and savings bank departments, a branch of the Bank of Scotland, gas-works, water-works (1870), hotels and inns, breweries, a tannery, and boot and shoe manufactories; besides the parish church (rebuilt in Norman style, 1850; 632 sittings), and a Free church (500 sittings). Pop. (1861) 881, (1871) 867, (1881) 679, (1891) 676.

The parish is bounded N by Muthil and Trinity Gask; E by Trinity Gask, Auchterarder, and Glendevon; S by Glendevon, W by Dunblane, Ardoch, and Muthil. From Machany Water to Skythorn Hill, *i.e.* from N by W to S by E, it has an extreme length of $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth varies between 1 furlong and $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is $21,041\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 39 are water. A detached part,

of 450 acres, was in 1891 transferred to the parish of Glendevon by the Boundary Commissioners. The drainage of N and E belongs to the basin of the Tay, Machany Water winding 1 mile on the northern boundary and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles through the interior to the EARN, which itself traces for $\frac{3}{4}$ mile the easternmost portion of that northern boundary; whilst Ruthven Water, another of its tributaries, curves from the SE corner of the parish along Glen Eagles and Kincardine Glen, and so into AUCHTERARDE. The drainage of S and SW, on the other hand, is carried to the Forth by the DEVON, whose early eastward course marks $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the southern border, and by the ALLAN, which, rising in the SW with half-a-dozen affluents and sub-affluents, runs first north-eastward towards the village, and then south-westward to Dunblane. The surface has a general southward rise, from less than 100 feet above sea-level by the Earn to 291 on Farnton Muir, 644 at Muirhead, 485 near Tullibardine Cottage, 602 near Drumlocley, 400 near the village, 1562 in Eastbow Hill, 1574 in Wether Hill, 1279 in Tambeth, 1780 in Core Hill, 1685 in Little Corum, 1955 in Mickle Corum, and 2072 in Blairdenon Hill. The last three culminate on the south-western frontier, and, belonging with Eastbow, Wether, Tambeth, and Core Hills to the moorish OCHILS, are steep and craggy to the S, but fall away more gently to the village, beyond which sandy hillocks and the great level Moor (now Wood) of Tullibardine form the 'divide' between Strathallan and Strathearn. A very hard sandstone has been quarried for millstones; except in the N, the soil is poor, being thin for the most part with a coarse gravelly bottom, and variously wet or dry to an extreme. Antiquities are a Roman camp and an outpost connecting it with the more famous one at Ardoch, some cairns and standing stones, St Mungo's Well in Glen Eagles, ruins of the cruciform Second Pointed chapel of Tullibardine (Holy Trinity) and of one or two other pre-Reformation chapels, and remains of the castles of Ogilvie, Tullibardine, and Kincardine. Four great Scotch families have been for centuries connected with this parish—the Murrays, Grahams, Haldanes, and Drummonds; and places in it still give title of Baron, Earl, and Marquess of Tullibardine (cre. 1604, 1606, and 1703) to John Stewart Murray, Duke of Athole; of Earl of Kincardine (1644) to Douglas Graham, Duke of Montrose; of Earl of Glencaigles (1831) to Robert Duncan-Haldane, Earl of Camperdown; and of Baron Madderty (1609) and Viscount Strathallan (1686) to William Drummond. The two last have their seats within its bounds, Glencaigles House in the E, Castle Strathallan in the N, and own respectively 7122 and 7208 acres in the shire, of an annual value of £3479 and £7612. Other mansions are Machany House (Viscount Strathallan) and the modern Kincardine Castle (J. Johnston, Esq.); and the whole parish is shared by 17 landowners, 6 holding each £500 a year and upwards, 1 between £100 and £500, 1 between £50 and £100, and 9 between £20 and £50. Blackford is in the presbytery of Auchterarder and synod of Perth and Stirling; its minister's income is £215. The public schools of Blackford village, Glencaigles, and Tullibardine, and the Free Church school at the first, with respective accommodation for 221, 60, 104, and 118 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 83, 26, 53, and 58, and grants of £78, 8s. 6d., £34, 4s. 6d., £44, 11s. 6d., and £44, 9s. Valuation (1891) £14,805, 12s. 7d. Pop. (1831) 1918, (1841) 1782, (1861) 2041, (1871) 1836, (1881) 1596, (1891) 1522.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 39, 47, 1869.

Blackford, a hill on the S border of St Cuthbert's parish, Edinburghshire, in the southern vicinity of Morningside, and 2 miles S by E of Edinburgh Castle. Exceeding 400 feet above sea-level, it commands a magnificent view; southward, of the Braid and Pentland Hills; northward, of Edinburgh, the Firth, and the Fife coast, backed by the Loamond and the Ochil hills—a prospect Scott described in some of the noblest lines of *Mormion*. It was acquired as a public park in 1884; and a shelter, the Harrison gateway, and an observatory have since been erected here.

Blackhall, a station in Cambusnethan parish, Lanarkshire, on the Morningside and Bathgate railway, 3½ miles NE of Morningside, and 10¼ SSW of Bathgate.

Blackhall, a village on the mutual border of St Cuthbert's, Corstorphine, and Cramond parishes, Edinburghshire, on the road from Edinburgh to Queensferry, 2¼ miles W by N of Edinburgh. It has a post office. Craigleith quarry, St Cuthbert's workhouse, Blinkbonny, Ravenshous House, Craigcrook, and the eastern skirts of Corstorphine Hill are in its vicinity.

Blackhall, an estate in Abbey parish, Renfrewshire, adjacent to the SE side of Paisley. It gives appellation to Sir Michael Robert Shaw-Stewart, Bart., Ardgowan House (of Greenock and Blackhall), and was conferred on his ancestor, Sir John Stewart, by King Robert III. The mansion on it, about 1 mile SE of the centre of Paisley, is a plain, strong, ancient pile, which after 1710 became a farm-house, and is now deserted, roofless, and of very dismal appearance. Lime works are on the estate.

Blackhall, a mansion on the N border of Strachan parish, and an estate partly also in Banchory-Ternan parish, Kincardineshire.

Blackhill, a *quoad sacra* parish, formed in 1878, mainly out of Peterhead parish, Aberdeenshire, its church being 4 miles SW by W of Peterhead town. Its central point is a hill of its own name, on the mutual border of Peterhead, Longside, and Cruden parishes, which, rising 374 feet above sea-level, was formerly deemed so worthless as to defy improvement; but now is nearly all under the plough, and also yields, in an extensive quarry, large blocks of excellent syenite, of the kind called popularly Peterhead granite. A public school, with accommodation for 103 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 79, and a grant of £73, 8s.

Blackhill, a place in Barony parish, Lanarkshire, on the Monkland Canal, to the NE of Glasgow. The canal here makes a rise of 96 feet; and it effects the elevation partly by two sets of four double locks, each set worked independently of the other, and partly by an inclined plane, with rails 1040 feet long, worked by steam-power traction. The inclined plane was constructed, as a supplement to the locks, in 1850; and it takes up empty boats in caissons, thus making a vast saving of time and water.

Black Hill, a hill in Crawfordjohn parish, Lanarkshire, 2 miles WNW of Abington. It rises 1260 feet above sea-level, and commands a fine view down the Clyde. Two concentric artificial circles are traceable on it, the inner one thirty-four yards in diameter, the outer one fifty-eight; and they seem to have been a military station.

Blackhills, a hamlet in Skene parish, Aberdeenshire, 8 miles W of Aberdeen, under which it has a post office.

Blackhills, a mansion in Elgin parish, Elginshire, 4½ miles SE of Elgin town.

Blackhope, a mountain on the mutual border of Edinburgh and Peebles shires, and a rivulet in Heriot parish, Edinburghshire. The mountain, Blackhope Scar, culminates at the meeting-point of Temple, Heriot, and Innerleithen parishes, and is the highest of the Moorfoot Hills, rising 2136 feet above sea-level. The rivulet, flowing from its NE shoulder, runs 3 miles north-eastward, and 1½ south-south-eastward; makes a confluence with Ladyside Burn to form Heriot Water; and, in some sheltered pools, contains a fair store of trout.

Blackhouse, a range of mountains on the mutual border of Selkirk and Peebles shires, and a ruined baronial tower in Yarrow parish, Selkirkshire. The range of mountains extends about 3½ miles from NNE to SSW; has two principal summits nearly 2½ miles asunder, with altitudes of respectively 2332 and 2283 feet above sea-level; is conjoined, on the N, with another range along the mutual boundary of the two counties, having summit-altitudes of 2382 and 2249 feet above sea-level; throws down, from its Selkirkshire side, the head-streams of Douglas Burn; projects along the flanks of that burn, high spurs with altitudes of 1717, 1378, and 1180 feet above sea-level; and, together with these

spurs, forms an upland region, partly suited for sheep pasture, but mainly of stern and savage aspect. This region, from so early a period as the time of Malcolm Canmor, belonged to the family of Douglas, and appears to have been used by them as both a fastness and a hunting-ground. The baronial tower stands on the left side of Douglas Burn, 3½ miles E of the mountain watershed, 2½ NNE of the foot of St Mary's Loch, and 5 W by N of Yarrow Feus; is thought to occupy the site of some previous erection, occasionally inhabited by Sir James Douglas, the friend and favourite warrior of Robert Bruce; may have been built by Sir James's descendant, the first Earl of Douglas; is traditionally said to have been the place whence Lady Margaret Douglas was abducted by her noble lover as commemorated in the old ballad of the 'Douglas Tragedy;' and appears to have been a square structure, with a circular turret at one angle, flanking the entrance and carrying up the staircase. Seven large stones near the tower are said to mark the spot where seven brothers of Lady Margaret, on their making pursuit, were slain by her lover. The current tradition narrates that both she and her lover were so injured that they died the same night, and that—

'Lord William was buried in St Marie's kirk,
Lady Marg'ret in St Marie's quire;
Out o' the lady's grave grew a red rose,
And out o' the knight's a brier.
And they twa met, and they twa plat,
As if full fain they would be near;
Sae that a' the world might ken right weel
That they grew frae twa lovers dear.
But bye and raide the Black Douglas,
And wow but he was rough;
For he pulled up the bonny brier,
And flung't in St Mary's Loch.'

Scott's steward and trusted friend, Wm. Laidlaw (1780-1850), was born at Blackhouse farm, and Hogg was shepherd to his father from 1790 to 1800.

Black Isle, the peninsula between the Beaully and the Moray Firths and the Firth of Cromarty, comprising parts of Ross, Cromarty, and Nairn shires. It contains the parishes of Killearnan, Kilmuir-Wester, Knockbain, Avoch, Rosemarkie, Cromarty, Resolis, and Urquhart; and it consists largely over its north-western portion of the broad based bill, *ARDMEANACH*. It constitutes a poor law combination, and has a poorhouse with accommodation for 100 inmates. A project (still, however, in abeyance) was adopted at a public meeting at Fortrose, in 1872, to form a line of railway through the Black Isle, from Muir of Ord to Cromarty.

Black-knowe, a mountain on the SW border of Ettrick parish, Selkirkshire, on the E side of the upper part of Ettrick Water, 2½ miles SW of Ettrick village. It has an altitude of 1804 feet above sea-level.

Black-knowe-Head, a mountain on the SW border of Ettrick parish, Selkirkshire, between two small head-streams of Ettrick Water, 2¼ miles W by N of Black-knowe. It has an altitude of 1938 feet above sea-level.

Black-knowe-Head, a mountain on the mutual border of Kirkhope and Yarrow parishes, Selkirkshire, 3 miles NNE of Tushielaw Inn. It has an altitude of 1806 feet above sea-level.

Black Lakes, small sheets of water in the NW of Lorn, Argyllshire, 3 miles E of Oban. Small trout abound in them; and four or five dozen, averaging ¾ pound, have frequently been taken in a day.

Blacklarg, a mountain on the mutual boundary of Ayr and Dumfries shires, extending also into Kirkcudbrightshire, and culminating nearly 7 miles SSE of New Cumnock village. It adjoins other mountains of the Southern Highlands; has an altitude of 2231 feet above sea-level; and sends off, to the NNW, the head-streams of Afton Water.

Blacklaw. See *MARNOCH*.

Blacklaw, a ruined tower of the Douglasses of Finland, in Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire, near the left bank of Evan Water, 2½ miles WNW of Moffat town. Behind it rises Blacklaw Hill (907 feet), and Blacklaw Burn runs by it to the Evan down a precipitous ravine. The

Douglas of Fingland about 1700 was author of *Annie Laurie*.

Blacklaw, a hill 928 feet high in the Perthshire section of Lundie and Foulis parish, 8 miles WNW of Dundee. It commands a very extensive and beautiful view.

Blacklaw, a burn in Walston parish, Lanarkshire, running to the Medwin.

Blacklaw or **Mount Cameron**, a small eminence in East Kilbride parish, Lanarkshire, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SE of East Kilbride village. A commodious dwelling-house on it was the residence of Mrs Cameron, a high-born lady who manifested such zeal for the cause of Jacobitism in 1745 as made her famous throughout Great Britain. Two seams of coal, respectively 3 and 2 feet thick, underlie the eminence.

Black Loch, a small lake in Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire, 1 mile NE of Dumfries town. It is a favourite resort of curlers in times of hard frost.

Black Loch, a small lake in Penpont parish, Dumfriesshire, near the summit of a hill-ridge, about 1 mile S of Drumlanrig. It once was about 120 yards long and 70 yards wide, but has been much reduced in size by draining; and, in pre-Reformation days, it possessed a high repute for healing virtue, inasmuch as to be esteemed a sort of perpetual Bethesda.

Black Loch, a small lake on the mutual border of Dunfermline parish, Fife, and Cleish parish, Kinrosshire, at the S foot of Cleish hills, 3 furlongs WNW of Loch Glow.

Black Loch, a lake in Blairgowrie parish, Perthshire, the first of a chain of three lakes, very near to one another, and extending in a line from E to W. It is mainly a morass or mossy pool, packed with aquatic plants, and possessing little area of open water; and it receives no influx of rivulet or rill; yet it contains such powerful springs that it sends off to the next lake a perennial stream voluminous enough to drive a mill.

Black Loch, a lake in Mearns parish, Renfrewshire, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles SW of Newton-Mearns village. It lies at the E foot of Nethercairn Hill, 871 feet high; measures about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in length and $\frac{1}{4}$ in width; and contains excellent trout.

Black Loch, a lake on the mutual border of Stirling and Lanark shires, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of the meeting-point with Linlithgowshire, and 2 miles S by E of Slamannan village. It has a somewhat circular outline, measures about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in diameter, and is a principal feeder of the Auchingray reservoir for supplying the Monkland Canal.

Black Loch, Little, a small lake in Slamannan parish, Stirlingshire, 2 miles SE by S of Slamannan village.

Black Lochs, small mountain lakelets in Kirkmichael parish, Banffshire, a little SE of Loch Aven. They abound in trout, and afford good sport to the angler.

Blacklunans. See PERSIE and ALYTH.

Blackmillbay, a small bay and a village in Luing island, Kilbrandon parish, Argyllshire. The post-town of the village is Easdale, under Oban.

Blackmire, a strong chalybeate spring in Logie-Coldstone parish, Aberdeenshire, in a plantation W of the House of Black. Its visitors have fallen off since the opening of the Pannanich Wells.

Black Mount, a mountain on the mutual border of Walston and Dolphinton parishes, E Lanarkshire. It has a ridgy form, extending NE and SW, and it culminates at 1689 feet above sea-level.

Blackmount, a deer forest in the Appin district of Argyllshire, between the heads of Lochs Etive and Laidon. The property of Lord Breadalbane, it affords the finest shooting and stalking in Scotland, and in 1881 was sub-let for £4000.

Blackness, a seaport village in the E of Carriden parish, Linlithgowshire, on a small bay of its own name on the Firth of Forth, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles ESE of Borrowstounness, and $\frac{3}{4}$ NE of Linlithgow station. Anciently the port of Linlithgow, and a place of extensive commerce, it also took consequence from a castle near it, which is supposed

by some antiquaries to mark the eastern extremity of Antoninus' Wall, and was long one of the most important fortresses in the S of Scotland; it was, in main degree, superseded as a port, in 1680, by Borrowstounness, which, on account of possessing higher advantages of situation, was then made the port for Linlithgow; and since that time, it has sunk into almost total decadence, inasmuch that its harbour went to ruin, its custom house was converted into lodgings, and its only commerce became a trivial exportation of bricks and tiles, and as trivial an importation of lime and manure. Blackness House, formerly a seat of the baronet family of Wedderburn, stands adjacent to the W side of the village. Blackness Burn runs about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile on the boundary between Carriden and Abercorn to the Firth, and passes the eastern vicinity of the village. Blackness Castle stands on a rocky promontory between the bay and the burn's mouth, in the north-eastern vicinity of the village; dates from some remote period unknown to record; was burned in 1443-44, amid the conflicts of the Douglasses, Livingstons, Crichtons, and Forresters; was burned again, in 1481, by an English fleet; was the meeting place, in 1488, of James III. and his rebellious nobles for effecting a pacification; witnessed, in 1547, the burning or capture, by an English admiral, of ten vessels which had anchored near it for protection; was garrisoned, in 1548, during the regency of the Earl of Arran, by a French force under D'Esse; underwent repeated vicissitudes of occupancy till 1572; served, like the Bass, as a State prison for confining distinguished Covenanters in the time of the persecution; was one of the chief forts of Scotland guaranteed by the Act of Union to be maintained permanently as a national strength; is, nevertheless, a structure more characteristic of the warfare of rude ages than adapted to the modern improvements in the military art; became eventually of no practical use whatever, held, as a fort, by only one man; and in 1870-74, was transmuted into the nucleus of extensive works to serve as the central ammunition depot of Scotland. These works were constructed at a cost of considerably more than £10,000, and they comprise a powder magazine, with two compartments, each about 42 feet by 18, a light iron-girder pier, a sea wall 1000 feet long, storage places for heavy guns and other munitions of war, barracks 124 feet long, for 30 soldiers, and a two-story building in the Scottish Baronial style for military officers.

Blackpots, a hamlet on the coast of Boyndie parish, Banffshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Banff. A manufacture of bricks and tiles, and a considerable salmon-fishery, are carried on.

Black Quarter, the territory now forming Portpatrick parish, Wigtownshire. It belonged anciently to Soulseat Abbey, and till 1628 formed part of Inch parish.

Blackridge, a village on the SW border of Torphichen parish, Linlithgowshire, on Barbauchlaw Burn, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Bathgate. It has a post office under Armadale, a Free Church preaching station, and a public school.

Blackscot, a place on the river Spey and on the Strathspey railway, at the boundary between Elgin and Banff shires, immediately above the mouth of the river Aven, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Aberlour. It has a ferry on the river, a station on the railway, and a post office under Craigellachie.

Blackshaw, a village in Caerlaverock parish, Dumfriesshire, near the Solway Firth and the river Lochar, 8 miles SSE of Dumfries. An expanse of foreshore adjacent to it, between the Nith and the Lochar, and between the beach and the Solway channel, measuring 7 miles in extreme length from E to W, and fully 5 miles in extreme breadth from N to S, is called Blackshaw Bank.

Blackshields, a village in what was formerly the detached part of Humble parish, Haddingtonshire, but which was transferred in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners to the Edinburghshire parish of Fala and Soutra. It is 16 miles SE of Edinburgh, and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments.

Blackshope, a burn in the NE of Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire. It rises on White Coomb mountain; runs 3 miles southward to Moffat Water, at a point 6 miles NE of Moffat; and is well stored with trout. An eminence at its head commands a charming view.

Blackside, a mountain on the mutual border of Sorn and Muirkirk parishes, Ayrshire, adjacent to the boundary with Lanarkshire, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Mauchline. It has an altitude of 1342 feet above sea-level; and it commands a splendid and extensive view, said to comprehend parts of sixteen counties.

Blacksmill, a hill, a hamlet, and a burn, in Lammermuir, Berwickshire. The hill, 905 feet above sea-level, is on the mutual border of Langton and Longformacus parishes, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Longformacus village. The hamlet is on the NW border of Langton parish, and lies near the burn, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Longformacus village. The burn rises on the eastern skirts of the hill, runs $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-by-eastward to Dye Water, a little below Longformacus village, and contains a good store of trout.

Black Spout, a picturesque waterfall, about 120 feet in leap, in Moulin parish, Perthshire, on Edradro Burn, a short distance NE of the line of the Highland railway, and about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Pitlochrie.

Black Springs, copious natural fountains in Currie parish, Edinburghshire, affording portion of the public supplies of water to the city of Edinburgh.

Blackstone, a hamlet in the S of Muiravonside parish, SE Stirlingshire, with a station on the North British, at the junction of the Slamannan, Bo'ness, and Bathgate sections, 12 miles E by N of Coatbridge, 4 NW of Bathgate, and $4\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Manuel Junction.

Black Stone of Odin, a huge prostrate mass of rock on the northern shore of Shapinsay island, in Orkney. It lies on the sand, and is supposed to have been an object of superstitions veneration in the Scandinavian times.

Blackstoun, a hamlet and a mansion on the NE border of Kilbarchan parish, Renfrewshire, on Black Cart Water, 2 miles NW of Paisley. Pop. (1891) 344.

Blackwater, a rivulet in the S of Carrick district, Ayrshire, running north-westward to the Stinchar. See **DHUISK**.

Blackwater, a rivulet in Cabrach parish, Banffshire. It rises among high mountains, contiguous to the boundary with Aberdeenshire; runs about 8 miles northward and north-north-eastward to the Deveron at Dalriach; traverses a grandly Highland glen; has, in its basin, a shooting lodge and a deer forest, belonging to the Duke of Richmond and Gordon; and is traditionally said to have had, at a romantic part of its banks still called King's Haugh, a residence of Malcolm Ceanmor.

Blackwater, a rivulet in Kilmorie parish, Arran island, Buteshire. It rises a little S of the centre of the island; runs about 6 miles westward and south-south-westward to Drimadown Bay; brings down the inland road from Brodick to the SW coast; and drains Shiskin district, the largest and most fertile tract of arable land in Arran. A remarkable large cairn stood at its foot; measured more than 200 feet in diameter; and has been greatly diminished by the abstraction of its stones for building and draining purposes.

Blackwater, a rivulet in Dalry parish, Kirkcudbrightshire. It issues from a lakelet at the boundary with Dumfriesshire; runs about 6 miles westward, quite across the centre of the parish, to the river Ken; and is well stocked with trout.

Blackwater, a small river of the NE of Perthshire. It rises near the summit of Cairnwell Mountain, on the northern border of Kirkmichael parish, adjacent to the boundary with Aberdeenshire; runs, under the name of Peg, through Glenbeg; debouches at the Spittal of Glenshee into Glenshee; receives there Tetnich Water, and takes there the name of Shee; runs about 6 miles, under the name of Shee, through Glenshee, takes then distinctively the name of Blackwater; runs about 5 miles between sections of Caputh, Bendochy, and Blairgowrie parishes on its right bank, and parts of Rattray and Alyth parishes on its left bank; and unites with the Ardie, 4 miles NNW of Blairgowrie town, to form the

river Erich. Its general direction is southward, and its entire length of course is about 20 miles.

Blackwater, a small river of the SE of Sutherland. It rises on Ben-an-Arnuinn, near the meeting-point of Clyne, Kildonan, and Farr parishes; runs 2 miles south-westward across the head of Clyne parish; proceeds $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles southward, along the boundary between Clyne and Rogart; then goes about 10 miles south-westward, through the interior of Clyne; receives, on its left bank, the tributary Skinsdale Water; and falls into the Brora, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of the head of Loch Brora. Its early course lies through morassy moors, which give a dark tinge to its waters; and its later course lies along a deep rocky channel, and is strikingly romantic. Two cascades occur on it, respectively near Balnakeyle and at Kilcolmkil, both very magnificent when the stream is in flood; and the latter is much visited by tourists.

Blackwater, a rivulet in Uig parish, Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire. It rises very near the centre of Lewis; runs westward to Loch Roag; takes down the public road from Stornoway to Uig church; and is frequented by salmon.

Blackwater, Berwickshire. See **BLACKADDEE**.

Blackwater or Rasay, a small river in the SW of Ross-shire. It rises on the Derymore Mountains, at the head of Strathvaich; runs about 14 miles south-south-eastward, under the name of Garve, along Strathvaich, past the W side of Ben Wyvis, and along Strathgarve to Loch Garve; issues from the foot of that lake under the name of Blackwater or Rasay; and runs about 5 miles south-south-eastward to a confluence with the Conan at Moy. Its waters have a dark colour, and they contain pike, large trout, and dark-coloured salmon, and afford prime rod-fishing. A cascade, called the Falls of Rogie, occurs on the river a little below Loch Garve, amid rich accompaniments of rock and wood; and presents considerable resemblance to the famous falls of Tivoli in Italy.

Blackwood, the seat of Miss E. M. Copland, in the S of Middlebie parish, Dumfriesshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Ecclefechan.

Blackwood, a railway station and an estate in Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire. The station is on the Lesmahagow branch of the Caledonian, adjacent to the river Netban, near Kirkmuirhill village, 2 miles S of Stonehouse station, and nearly 4 SE of Stonehouse town. The estate lies on the NW border of Lesmahagow parish; and the mansion on it, 2 miles W of the railway station, is the seat of Jas. Chas. Hope Vere, Esq. (b. 1858; suc. 1872), owner of 6863 acres, valued at £11,303 per annum, including £5781 for minerals. An ancient Caledonian battle-axe of stone was found on the estate, and is preserved in the mansion.

Blackwood, an estate, with a mansion and a hill, in Nithsdale, Dumfriesshire. The mansion stands adjacent to the river Nith, in the midst of a richly-wooded glen, $\frac{2}{3}$ mile N by W of Auldgrith station, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Thornhill. The hill (604 feet) rises immediately W of the mansion, in the south-eastern extremity of Keir parish, and commands a splendid view from the mountains N of Drumlanrig, along all the vale of the Nith, to the Solway Firth and the Cumberland Mountains. At Blackwood was born the gardener's son, Allan Cunningham (1784-1842), poet and novelist.

Blackwood, a property, with a hill and a lake, on the SW border of Eaglesham parish, Renfrewshire.

Black Wood, a great pine forest in Fortingal and Logierait parishes, Perthshire, clothing all the S flank of Loch Rannoch, from the margin of the water half-way up the mountains.

Bladenoch, a village and a river in Galloway. The village stands on the left bank of the river and the southern verge of Wigtown parish, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Wigtown town; is included within Wigtown parliamentary burgh; and has a post office and a large distillery. The river (that in which the Wigtown martyrs, Margaret Wilson and Margaret M'Lachlan, perished in 1685) issues from Loch Maberry, on the Ayrshire border; winds

about 20 miles S, SSE, and E, between Kirkcowan and Kirkinner parishes on its right bank, and Penninghame and Wigtown parishes on its left bank; passes into Wigtown Bay in the southern vicinity of Wigtown town; and traverses about 2 miles of foreshore eastward to a junction with the Wigtown Bay channel of the river Cree. Here, from the Wigtown Sands, about 500 acres have been reclaimed since 1839, at a cost of nearly £40,000. The Bladenoch waters contain trout and salmon, but yield no very great sport; the Tarf is chief of several tributaries.

Blalach, a village near the mutual boundary of Inverness-shire and Argyllshire, 4 miles from its post-town Fort William.

Blainslee, a village in the NE extremity of Melrose parish, Roxburghshire, on the right bank of the river Leader, 3 miles SSE of Lander. A public school at it, with accommodation for 103 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 75, and a grant of £83, 9s. 5d.

Blair, an estate and iron-works in Dalry parish, Ayrshire. The estate is rich in minerals, and has, since the beginning of the present century, undergone vast improvement. A great extent of land in it, with steep rocky banks, formerly of little value, is now covered with thriving mixed plantations. A romantic reach of glen here traversed by the river Dusk has, within a precipitous mass of limestone rock, a stalactite cave, the Elf House, 183 feet long, and from 5 to 12 feet wide, arched like Gothic work, and expanding near the middle into a chamber 35 feet long and 12 feet high. The mansion on the estate stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Dalry town, is partly of great antiquity, and has highly picturesque grounds; its owner, Capt. Wm. Fordyce Blair, R.N., holds 6680 acres in the shire, valued at £8031 per annum, including £2203 for minerals. The iron-works adjoin the Glasgow and South-Western railway, in the near vicinity of Dalry town, and were started about 1845. Here is a mission station of the Church of Scotland; and a public school, Blairmains, with accommodation for 100 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 37, and a grant of £30, 10s. 6d. Pop. of Blair Works village (1861) 916, (1871) 1081, (1881) 765, (1891) 667.

Blair, an estate, with a mansion, in Carnock parish, Fife, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Dunfermline.

Blair, a mountain of Forfarshire, on the mutual border of Alyth and Glenisla parishes, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Alyth town. Rising from a very wide base to an altitude of 2441 feet above sea-level, it can be easily ascended on the E and W, but is steep and rugged on the N and S; and it commands a magnificent view from Schiehallion to the German Ocean, and from Lochnagar to the Lammernuir Hills.

Blair, Perthshire. See BLAIR ATHOLE.

Blairadam, a station, with a post office, having money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, in Cleish parish, S Kinross-shire, on the Kinross-shire section of the North British, 3 miles SSE of Loch Leven (Kinross) station, and $10\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Dunfermline. Blairadam House, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile SSW of the station, stands in a large and finely-wooded park, on the SE slope of a hill, which rises 707 feet above sea-level. Early in last century Blair estate was purchased, and Blairadam House built by the architect Wm. Adam, father of the still more eminent architects, Robert (1728-92) and James (d. 1794). His grandson, the Right Hon. Wm. Adam (1751-1839), lord chief commissioner of the jury court in Scotland, was a lifelong friend of Sir Walter Scott, with him and seven others forming in 1816 the Blairadam Club. Its members met on a Friday; spent the Saturday in a ride to some scene of historical interest within an easy distance (to one such in the dog-days of 1819 we owe Scott's *Abbot*); enjoyed a quiet Sunday at home, duly attending divine worship at the Kirk of Cleish, not Cleishbotham; gave Monday morning to another antiquarian excursion; and returned to Edinburgh in time for the courts of Tuesday"—chap. I. of Lockhart's *Life of Scott*. The next holder of the estate was Adm. Sir Chas. Adam, M.P. (d. 1854); the next, the Whig whip, the Right Hon. Wm. Pat. Adam (1823-81), M.P. for Clackmannan and Kinross shires 1859-80, Lord of the Treas-

ury 1865-66 and 1868-73, Chief Commissioner of Works 1873-74 and 1880, Governor of Madras 1880-81. His son, Sir Chas. Elphinstone Adam, Bart. (b. 1859; cr. 1882), owns 4169 acres, valued at £4039 per annum.

Blair Athole (Gael. 'plain of the pleasant land'), a village and a parish of N Perthshire. The village lies between the left bank of the Garry and the right bank of the confluent Water of Tilt, across which stands another village, Bridge of Tilt, the two together practically forming one, with a post office (Blair Athole), having money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Union Bank, and gas-works, whilst each possesses an excellent hotel. Blair Athole is $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of the Pass of Killiecrankie, 48 SW of Castleton of Braemar by Spittal of Glenslie or 30 up Glen Tilt, $18\frac{1}{2}$ ENE of Kinloch Rannoch, and 21 N of Aberfeldy; its station on the Highland railway is $19\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Dunkeld, and 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ S by W of Grantown. Cattle fairs are held at Bridge of Tilt on 25 June and 20 Aug. o.s., and on the third Wednesday of May o.s. at Blair Athole, where also are a general business fair upon 12 February and a great Highland gathering in the second week of September. Pop. of united village (1871) 387, (1881) 346, (1891) 326.

The parish is bounded N by Kingussie-Insh and the Glenfeshie portion of Alvie in Inverness-shire and by Crathie-Braemar in Aberdeenshire, NE by Crathie-Braemar, SE by Kirkmichael and Moulin, S by Dull, SW by Fortingal, and NW by Laggan in Inverness-shire. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred to Blair Athole from the parish of Dull all those parts which lay north of the Tummel, and a detached portion of the parish of Moulin, at the same time transferring from Blair Athole to Moulin the lands of Keinakylich. The Highland railway runs $19\frac{1}{2}$ miles west-north-westward up Glen Garry, ascending here from about 390 to 1500 feet above sea-level; on it are the stations of Blair Athole, Struan, and Dalnaspidal, $35\frac{1}{2}$, 40, and 51 miles NNW of Perth. By the GARRY and its innumerable affluents and sub-affluents the features of this parish have been chiefly moulded, those affluents including the EDENDON (running 9 miles E and S), the BRUAR ($9\frac{1}{2}$ S), the ERICHDIE ($10\frac{1}{2}$ E by N), and the TILT ($13\frac{1}{2}$ SW), which last has a head-stream in the TARF ($11\frac{1}{2}$ E). The TUMMEL itself, to which the Garry flows, and its expansion, Loch Tummel ($2\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{2}$ mile), mark $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the southern boundary; and in the SW portion of the parish are Lechs Garry ($2\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4}$ mile), Choin ($7\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ furl.), and Bhaic (3×1 furl.); in the NE portion, Loch Loch ($9\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ furl.), half of Loch an Duin ($10 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ furl.), and two or three smaller tarns. Glen Garry, from Struan downward, is an open, fertile, finely wooded vale; but, saving Strath-Tummel and the lower reaches of Glens Erichdie, Bruar, and Tilt, which likewise are beautifully planted with larches and Scotch firs, the rest of the surface is all an assemblage of moor-clad hills and naked, many-ridged mountains. The part to the left of the Garry belongs to the 'Forest of ATHOLE,' now well-nigh treeless; and here, from W to E, the following summits of the Grampians rise, those marked with asterisks right on Blair Athole's boundaries:—*BEN UDLAMAN (3306 feet), *Bruach nan Iombrann (3175), *An Torc or Badenoch Boar (2432), and Glas Mheall Mor (3037), westward of the Edendon; *Carn na Caim (3087), *Vinegar Hill (2584), Carn a' Mhuraich (1811), Meall na Maoile (1868), Sron a' Chleirich (3276), Leac Liath (1788), Uchd a' Chlarsair (2587), and *Leathad an Taobhain (2994), between the Edendon and the Bruar; Beinn Bhreac (2992), BEN DEARG (3304), Beinn a' Chait (2942), Fair Bhuidhe (1510), Meall Reamhar (1850), Braigh Sron Ghorm (2882), *Carn an Fhidleir (3276), *An Sgarsoch (3300), An Sligearnach (2577), and *Coire na Craig (2515), between the Bruar and the Tilt; *Sron a' Bhoirdh (2131), Craig Dhéarg (2141), BENGLO (3671), Carn Liath (3193), Meall Dail Min (1748), Meall Gruain (1872), Carn an Righ (3377), *Carn Bhac (3014), *Beinn Iutharn Mhor (3424), *Glas Thulachan (3445), *Braith Feith Chuibhsachain (2371), *Ben Vuroch (2961), and Crochton (1954), eastward of the Tilt. S of

the Garry, from E to W, are Tulach Hill (1541 feet), Conbhar (1330), Dubh Chnoean (1385), Torr Dubh (1667), and Meall Ban (1657), between the Tummel and the Erichdie; and, between the Erichdie and the Garry, An Teampain (1387), Meall Chabhaidh (1709), Sron Choin (1852), Meall Biorach (1854), and Meall na Leitreach (2544). The deer and grouse of its hills, the salmon and trout of its streams, the wealth and variety of its fauna and flora (especially rare alpine plants), all make Blair Athole a happy hunting-ground alike to the sportsman and the man of science; to the latter GLEN TILT's geology is for ever associated with the 'Huttonian Theory.' The arable soils, chiefly light loam or gravelly earth, occupy less than 4000 acres, and plantations cover an equal or greater extent. Blair Castle, $\frac{2}{3}$ mile NNW of the village, is thence approached by a double avenue of limes, and, as restored in 1872, is a goodly four-storied mansion, turreted and battlemented, in the Scottish Baronial style. Its oldest portion, Comyn's Tower, is said to have been built by John de Strathbogie, ninth Earl of Athole (1269); and many are its historic memories. James V. and Mary Queen of Scots must both have visited it, when in 1529 and 1564 they came to hunt in Glen Tilt; and Montrose in 1644 here mustered the 3000 Athole Highlanders, whom he led to victory at Tippermuir. In 1653 the castle was stormed and 'destroyed by powder' by Colonel Daniel, a Cromwellian officer; yet in 1659 we find it garrisoned by Claverhouse, whose corpse was brought back to it from Killycrankie, for burial in the secluded old church of Blair. The Young Pretender lodged here three nights (30 Aug. to 2 Sept. 1745); in the following March it was held a fortnight by Sir Andrew Agnew for Government against Lord George Murray, the Duke of Athole's brother. After this siege, its last, it was docked of two upper stories and whitewashed, so that the Queen, who, with the Prince Consort, resided here from 11 Sept. to 1 Oct. 1844, describes it merely as 'a large plain white building.' The present Duke of ATHOLE owns 194,640 acres in the shire, of a yearly value of £40,788; and 3 other proprietors, Wm. M'Inroy of Lude (1 mile ENE of the village), A. S. Robertson of Struan, and Edgar W. Robertson of Auehlocks (on Erichdie Water, 6 miles W by S of Struan station), hold respectively 15,680, 18,000, and 14,732 acres, valued at £2460, £1039, and £1633 per annum. The grounds of Blair Castle are open to visitors from 9 a.m. till 6 p.m., a guide being provided for a small fee. In the presbytery of Dunkeld and synod of Perth and Stirling, Blair Athole comprises the ancient parishes of Blair, Lude, Kilmaeonaig, and Struan, united prior to 1632, but has given off a portion (with 72 inhabitants in 1891) to the *quoad sacra* parish of Tenandry. Its living is worth £433; and it has two Established churches, one at the village (1825), the other at Struan (1829). There are also a Free church and an Episcopal chapel (rebuilt 1794; 200 sittings), this last representing the old parish church of Kilmaeonaig (1591), and having belonged to the Episcopal communion without a break from the Revolution. Of 6 public schools (Blair Athole, Glenrichy, Glengarry, Pittagowan, Strathummel, and Struan) Blair Athole had (1891) accommodation for 205 children, an average attendance of 149, and a grant of £176, 19s. 6d., whilst the total corresponding figures for the other 5 were 222, 110, and £185, 18s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £24,789, 17s. 9d. Pop. (1755) 3257, (1801) 2848, (1831) 2384, (1861) 1553, (1871) 1718, (1881) 1742, (1891) 1632.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 55, 64, 1869-74. See pp. 32-41, 167-171 of the *Queen's Journal*, and Dr. Wm. Marshall's *Historic Scenes in Perthshire*.

Blairburn, a village in Culross parish, until 1891 in Perthshire, adjacent to the river Forth, in the vicinity of Culross town. In that year the Boundary Commissioners transferred the entire parish to the county of Fife. Blair Castle (Robert Miller, Esq.), a handsome modern mansion, beautifully surrounded by wood, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of Culross, occupies the site of a mansion said to have been built about the time of the Reformation by Archbishop Hamilton of St Andrews.

Blair Castle. See BLAIR ATHOLE and BLAIRBURN.
Blairdaff, a place in the S side of Chapel of Garioch parish, Aberdeenshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Garioch church. A chapel of ease here was built in 1839 at a cost of £500, and contains 500 sittings; and here also is a Free church.

Blairdardie, a place in the S of New Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire, on the Forth and Clyde Canal. A public school at it, with accommodation for 79 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 67, and a grant of £48, 16s.

Blair-Drummond, an estate, with a village and a mansion, in Kincardine parish, Perthshire. The village stands near the right bank of the Teith, 6 miles NW of Stirling, and 2 SSE of Doune; comprises an elegant range of cottages inhabited by families who are employed, from father to son, on the estate; and has a post office under Stirling. The mansion, near the village, is a large, neat, modern edifice, with a richly-wooded park, and is a seat of Col. Home Drummond Moray, Esq. of ABERCAIRNEY. The estate extends southward to the Forth; and includes, along the banks of that river, a large alluvial tract of 1500 acres, Blairdrummond Moss, formerly overlaid by deep bog, and ingeniously reclaimed in the first four decades of this century by cutting away the bog piecemeal, and sending it adrift on the river. A reach of Roman road, a number of small Roman relics, two curious ancient wooden wheels, and the skeleton of a whale were found in the bog during the work of reclamation.

Blairessan, a hamlet in Killcarn parish, Stirlingshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Killearn village. A sanguinary battle is traditionally said to have been fought here between the Romans and the Caledonians.

Blairgowrie (Gael. *blar-ghobhar*, 'plain of the wild goats'), a town and a parish of NE Perthshire. The town stands on the right bank of the Erich, opposite Rattray village, with which it is connected by a bridge, repaired and widened in 1871. By road it is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Cupar Angus, $5\frac{1}{2}$ WSW of Alyth, 12 ENE of Dunkeld, and 35 S of Braemar; by rail, as terminus of a branch of the Caledonian, opened from Cupar in 1855, it is $21\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Forfar, $20\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Perth, $6\frac{1}{2}$ N by W of Edinburgh, and $8\frac{3}{4}$ NE by N of Glasgow. Its site, 227 feet above sea-level, is a pleasant south-eastern slope that forms the first rise of the Hill of Blair. The churchyard above, where the parish church, looks up Strathmore to the Hunter's Hill of Glamis, and down to its south-western extremity; behind the church a wooded deep ravine falls away steeply to the river's bed. The winding Erich, overhung 3 miles to the N by picturesque Craighall-RATTRAY ('Tully-Veolan'), and the skirts of the Sidlaws and Grampians, all join to beautify Blairgowrie's setting; and Blairgowrie itself is a well-built thriving town, with spacious market-place and handsome villas. A century since it was only a village of mean, thatched houses; now it is lighted with gas (since 1834) and supplied with good water (in 1871, at a cost of £6050), whilst possessing a post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland and the Royal Commercial, Union, and North of Scotland banks, a local savings bank, numerous hotels and inns, a masonic lodge, angling, athletic games, bowling, cricket, curling, and amateur dramatic clubs, and a Saturday (Independent) paper, the *Advertiser* (1855). A town-hall, accommodating 600 persons, was built about 1860; and a mechanics' institute, with reading-room and museum, in 1870. There are also a fire-engine station, a Working Men's Club, a Working Girls' Club, and a Young Men's Christian Association. A public park was presented to the town in 1892 by Mr William Davie of Blairgowrie and his sister Mrs Nicoll, and an adjoining field was afterwards added by purchase. Places of worship are the original parish church (rebuilt 1824; 850 sittings), St Mary's or Brown Street church (converted in 1837 from a Burgher chapel into a chapel of ease, and in 1879 erected into a *quoad sacra* church), rebuilt 1885, the First and South Free

churches, a U.P. church, a Congregational church (1824; 300 sittings), St Catherine's Episcopal church (1843; 200 sittings), and St Stephen's Roman Catholic church (1856; 400 sittings). Both the last two are Early English structures; St. Stephen's was designed by Edward Welby Pugin. The Ericht supplies abundant water-power to numerous flax-spinning, linen, carpet, and jute mills in and about the town; and there are also several saw-mills, malt-kilns, a brewery, a farina factory, and an agricultural implement manufactory. Blairgowrie, made a burgh of barony in 1634, a free burgh of barony in 1809, and a police burgh prior to 1864, is governed by a town council consisting of a senior bailie, 2 junior bailies, and 9 councillors, and by 12 police commissioners. The police court sits every lawful day, the bailie court (for civil causes under £2) every Wednesday, and the sheriff small debt court (for causes under £12) on the first Saturday of January, April, July, and October. Tuesday is market-day; and fairs are held for cattle, etc., on the third Tuesday of March, the Tuesday of May before Old Whitsunday, the Tuesday after fourth Monday of July, the Tuesday of October before Falkirk Tryst, and the 23d of November; for feeing on the first Wednesday of May and November. Unless, with Skene's *Celtic Scotland*, one makes Blair Hill the 'Mons Grampius' of the Battle of the GRAMPANS, Blairgowrie has no history other than transits of the Marquis of Montrose in his hostile descents from the Highlands, and disastrous spates of the 'ireful' Ericht, one of which, in 1847, destroyed two arches of the Rattray bridge, and did great damage to the mills. George Drummond (1687-1766), six times Lord Provost of Edinburgh, and a great benefactor to that city, was born at Newton Castle, a 17th century mansion, haunted by a Green Lady, 3 furlongs W of the town. Blairgowrie public school, and a Roman Catholic school, with respective accommodation for 726 and 176 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 554 and 122, and grants of £617, 9s. and £102, 3s. 6d. During the summer months there is a coach daily from Blairgowrie to Etraemar (a distance of 35 miles, *via* the Spittal of Glenshee), and one to Kirkmichael (14 miles) every Wednesday throughout the year, and three times daily in summer. Pop. (1792) 425, (1811) 1025, (1831) 1593, (1851) 2914, (1871) 3830, (1881) 4537, (1891) 3714.

The parish, also containing the village of Lornly, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NNW of the town, formerly consisted of Blairgowrie proper and the detached sections of Blackcraig and Creuchies, these being severed from the first by intervals of 9 and 5 furlongs, and at their nearest lying $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW and $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles NNE of the town. The Blackcraig section was united in 1891, by the Boundary Commissioners, to the main part of the parish by the annexation of the north part of the parish of Kinloch (Cochrage Muir), and a detached portion of the parish of Bendochy (904 acres) was also annexed to Blairgowrie. Creuchies section, however (1742 acres), and Parkhead estate were transferred to the parish of Bendochy. The total area is about 15,000 acres, of which 252 are water. The summit elevations above sea-level are Ashmore Hill (1277 feet), Cochrage Muir (867), and the Hill of Blair (690). The surface from the town to the Isla, belonging wholly to Strathmore, and nowhere much exceeding 200, while sinking to 100 feet, is relatively low and level; and here are 4 small lakes—White Loch, BLACK LOCH, Hare Myre, and Loch Bog or Stormont Loch—of which the last and largest lies at an altitude of 167 feet, and has an extreme length and breadth of 5 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs. The rocks are variously Devonian, Silurian, and eruptive; and the only ones quarried are a coarse red sandstone and a very dark-coloured trap. The soil varies from shallow moorish earth to deep and fertile alluvium along the Isla. Mansions are Blairgowrie House and Blackcraig Castle, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE and 9 miles NW of the town; and their owners, William M'Pherson (superior of the burgh) and Patrick A. Fraser, held 741 and 2722 acres, valued at £1103, 10s. and £1537, 16s. per annum. The detached portion of the parish of Bendochy that was annexed to

Blairgowrie parish, amounting to 904 acres, was the Drimmie section, measuring about 2 miles long from N to S and a mile and a half broad, and is bounded on the NE by Alyth, and on the E and SE by Rattray. The surface of this additional portion has a northward ascent from less than 500 to over 900 feet, and belonging to it is the mansion of Raunagulzeon House. Blairgowrie is in the presbytery of Meigle and synod of Angus and Mearns, the first minister's income amounting to £342; but for church, school, and registration purposes, the Blackcraig and Creuchies sections are included in the *quoad sacra* parish of PIERSE. Pop. of civil parish (1891) 4743; of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 1644.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 56, 48, 1870-78.

Blairhall, a village in Longforgan parish, Perthshire, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Dundee.

Blairingone (Gael. *blar-a-gobhain*, 'field of the smith'), a village in Fossoway parish, Kinross-shire, and a *quoad sacra* parish partly also in Clackmannan parish, Clackmannanshire. Fossoway parish until 1891 was situated in the two counties of Kinross and Perth. The Boundary Commissioners in that year transferred a portion of the Perthshire part to the Perthshire parish of Glendevon, and placed the remainder, including the village of Blairingone, wholly in the county of Kinross. The village stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile S of the river Devon, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Dollar, under which it has a post office. Here anciently at Palace Brae was a mansion of the ancestors of the Duke of Athole, and the adjoining pinnacled rock, now known as Gibson's Craig, is said to be the real Gartwhinziar, where the Clan Murray rallied round their chief. The parish is in the presbytery of Kinross and synod of Fife. Stipend, £154. The church (1838; 250 sittings) stands a little E of the village; its interior was recently refitted at considerable expense. A public school, with accommodation for 99 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 67, and a grant of £70, 18s. 6d. Pop. of parish (1871) 469, (1881) 446, (1891) 413.

Blairinroar or **Blairinroan** (Gael. *blar-an-roinn*, 'battle of division'), a place in the NW of Muthill parish, Perthshire, 8 miles NW of the Roman camp of Ardoch, and $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile SSE of the Dalginross camps. Gordon's *Itinerary* makes it the scene of the Battle of the GRAMPANS.

Blairlogie, a village in Logic parish, Stirlingshire, at the mouth of the Glendevon and at the base of Dumyat (1375 feet), 3 miles ENE of Stirling. In the extensive rearrangement of Logic parish in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners, which placed it wholly in the county of Stirling, Blairlogie was transferred from Perthshire to Stirlingshire, while remaining in the parish of Logic. It is a pleasant little place, remarkably healthy; and till eclipsed by Bridge of Allan, was long a favourite summer resort of invalids. It has a post office under Stirling and a U.P. church and manse. Blairlogie Castle, now a farm-house, a little NW of the village, dates from the year 1513, was the seat of the Spittal family, and retains some vestiges of bygone splendour.

Blairmains. See BLAIR, Ayrshire.

Blairmore, a village in Kilmun parish, Argyllshire, on the W shore of Loch Long, 1 mile N of Strone, directly opposite Cove, and 7 miles by water WNW of Greenock. Of recent origin, it contains a number of handsome villas. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, and a good wooden pier, and it enjoys a delightful view of the reaches of the Firth of Clyde down to Cloch Point. It has regular daily communication by steamer with Greenock and Gourock in connection with the Caledonian and Glasgow and South-Western railways. The telegraph cable, for communication with the West Highlands, lies from it to Cove; was broken in December 1870; and, ten days after being broken, was successfully grappled and repaired. Blairmore Hill, 2 miles NW by N of the pier, rises 1402 feet above sea-level. Pop. (1891) 306.

Blairquhan, a mansion in Straiton parish, Ayrshire, on Girvan Water, 1 mile WNW of Straiton village. A handsome Tudor edifice, built in 1824, and standing

amid finely-wooded grounds, it is the seat of Sir Edw. Hunter-Blair, fourth Bart. since 1786 (b. 1813; suc. 1857), and owner of 12,610 acres in the shire, valued at £7134 per annum.

Blairs, a lake in Rafford parish, Elginshire, and is well stocked with trout, and has an ornamental character.

Blairs, an estate in Maryculter parish, Kincardineshire, near the southern bank of the Dee, 6 miles SW of Aberdeen, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Cults station. In 1829 it was given by Mr Menzies of Pitfodles to the Catholic bishops, who, enlarging its venerable mausoleum, fitted it up as St Mary's College, for the 'education and training of those who may feel themselves called to dedicate themselves to God and the salvation of souls as clergymen on the Scottish mission.' The college in 1881 had a president, 4 professors, a procurator, and 73 students; it possesses a valuable library (in part transferred from the Scots College at Paris) and portraits of Queen Mary and Cardinal Beaton; whilst attached to it is a chapel with 180 sittings.

Blairston, an estate, with a mansion, on the N border of Mayhole parish, Ayrshire, now called Auchendrane. See AUCHENDRANE.

Blair Works. See BLAIR, Ayrshire.

Blane or Ballagan, a small river of W Stirlingshire, rising on Earl's Seat, one of the Lennox Hills (1894 feet), on the mutual border of Killearn and Strathblane parishes. Thence it runs 3 miles southward, among the hills, near the E border of Strathblane parish, leaping down the ravine of BALLAGAN in three romantic falls. It next runs 1 mile westward past Strathblane village; $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-westward, along Strathblane valley; $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile northward, partly along the boundary between Strathblane and Killearn, partly within Killearn; and finally $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile north-westward to Endrick Water, at a point $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Killearn village. The middle part of its basin is Strathblane proper, descends on the river's bed or immediate banks from about 340 to 100 feet above sea-level, and is traversed by the Blane Valley railway.

Blanefield, a village in Strathblane parish, Stirlingshire, on the river Blane, and on the Blane Valley railway, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile W by N of Strathblane village. It has a station on the railway, calico print works, and a post office under Glasgow, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments. Pop. (1871) 496, (1881) 514, (1891) 585.

Blanerne. See BUNKLE.

Blane's Chapel, St, an ancient ecclesiastical ruin, in Kingarth parish, Isle of Bute, about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the southern extremity of the island. It is commonly said to have been built by a priest who flourished about the close of the 10th century, was educated at Rome, and came to Scotland with a commission to rule the diocese of Dunblane. It stands amid a scene of great beauty, on an artificial esplanade a good deal higher than the ground around, encompassed with a rude wall of 500 feet in circumference, and all substructed, at the depth of 2 feet from the surface, with arches and mason work. A considerable portion of the chapel walls is standing, and shows it to have consisted of nave and chancel, divided by a perfect arch of two enriched orders from shafted jambs. The work is pure Norman, save in the extremities, where it is First Pointed, and must date, not from the end of the 10th, but the 12th or 13th century. A space of similar appearance to the esplanade of the chapel, but on a lower level and only 124 feet in circumference, is in the near vicinity, and has the reputation of having been occupied by a nunnery. Both esplanades were used as cemeteries, that of the chapel only for males, that of the reputed nunnery only for females. Not far from the chapel is a curious circular area, the DEVIL'S CAULDRON.

Blane Valley Railway, a railway of W Stirlingshire, from Lennoxton in Campsie parish west-by-northward to Strathblane village, and thence north-by-westward to Killearn village. It is $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles long; was authorised in 1861, on a capital of £51,000 in £10 shares and

£17,000 on loan; and was opened for goods in October 1866, for passengers in July 1867. Subsequently the line was extended to the Forth and Clyde Railway. It was amalgamated with the North British in 1891.

Blantyre, a parish of NW Lanarkshire, containing the villages of Blantyre, Blantyre Works, Auchinraith, Auchintibber, Barnhill, and Stonefield.—Blantyre village, called also High Blantyre or Kirkton of Blantyre, stands near the right bank of the Rotten Calder, 3 miles W by N of Hamilton, and $8\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Glasgow. It has a post office under the latter, with money order and savings bank departments, and a station (High Blantyre) on the Strathaven branch of the Caledonian. Pop. (1891) 7836.—Blantyre Works, or Low Blantyre, lies $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the NE on the left bank of the Clyde, opposite Bothwell, with which it is connected by a fine suspension bridge, and near Blantyre station (with a post office under Glasgow) on the Clydesdale section of the Caledonian. Founded in 1785, it is neatly built; and at it are dyeworks (now closed), and a weaving factory, where the great African traveller and missionary, David Livingstone (1803-73), worked in his boyhood as a 'piecer.' In Blantyre he was born; and within a short distance of his birthplace a memorial U.P. church has been built, at a cost of £4000, in the tower of which it is intended, his statue shall be placed. Pop. (1835) 1821, (1871) 1304, (1881) 1029, (1891) 1505.—Auchinraith, Auchintibber, Barnhill, and Stonefield are by recent building operations connected with High Blantyre. Stonefield is principally inhabited by miners employed in the numerous pits in the neighbourhood, belonging to three large coalmasters.

Bounded NE by Bothwell, SE by Hamilton and Glasgow, W by East Kilbride, Cambuslang, and Old Monkland, the parish has an extreme length from N by E to S by W of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a breadth from E to W of from 3 furlongs to 2 miles, and an area of 4027 acres, of which 73 are water. The CLYDE, here a clear, majestic river, from 79 to 104 yards wide, sweep 4 miles round the Bothwell and Old Monkland boundary, and its swift, shallow affluent, the Rotten CALDER, winds $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles along all the western border of the parish, whose surface between the two streams presents no prominent features, but rises southward—from 51 feet above sea-level at Haughhead to 148 at Blantyre Farm, 205 at Coatshill, 214 near Roweshill, 461 near Crossbasket, 552 near Auchintibber, and 695 near Lodgehill. The rocks are mainly of the Carboniferous formation, including limestone, sandstone, coal, and ironstone; and, while the limestone has been largely quarried, two clayband ironstone mines were working in 1879 at Blantyre and Blantyre Park, and three collieries at Auchinraith, Craighead, and Blantyre—the last the scene of two terrible explosions—on 22 Oct. 1877 (220 killed), and on 2 July 1879 (26 killed). A mineral spring at Park, strongly impregnated with sulphur held in solution by hydrogen, was much frequented by Glasgow families towards the middle of last century, and still is famed in scrofulous and scorbutic cases. The soils are various, deep peat-moss in the extreme SW, and elsewhere ranging through fertile kinds of sand, loam, and clay. Great improvements have been wrought by draining and by adoption of the best methods of culture, and barely 500 acres are waste or pastoral. A water supply was introduced (1880-81) at a cost of £10,000. At Calderside near Auchintibber, is the Camp Knowe, a conical hillock 200 yards in circumference, and anciently girt by a ditch; but the most interesting relic of antiquity is the tottering fragment—two gables and a vault—of Blantyre Priory, founded for Austin Canons before 1296 by Alexander II. Built of red sandstone, and perched on a wooded crag, 9 furlongs down the Clyde from Blantyre Works, it stands right opposite to BOTHWELL Castle, whence the view of it is thus described in Dorothy Wordsworth's *Journal* (ed. by Prin. Shairp), p. 50:—"On the opposite bank, which is finely wooded with elms and other trees, are the remains of an ancient priory, built upon a rock; and rock and ruin are so blended together that it is impossible to separate the one from the other. Nothing can be more

beautiful than the little remnants of this holy place; elm trees—for we were near enough to distinguish them by their branches—grow out of the walls, and overshadow a small but very elegant window. It can scarcely be conceived what a grace the castle and priory impart to each other; and the river Clyde flows on smooth and unruffled below, seeming to my thoughts more in harmony with the sober and stately images of former times, than if it had roared over a rocky channel, forcing its sound upon the ear.' Of course there is (at least in *Scottish Chiefs*) a subterranean and subaqueous passage leading from the castle to the priory, and through a window in the latter Wallace is said to have sprung over the precipice, eluding thus a body of English pursuers. Walter Stuart, commendator of this priory in 1580, was created Lord Blantyre in the peerage of Scotland in 1606, having eight years earlier purchased the barony of Blantyre, which was all feued out in small parcels, still held under his present descendant, Charles Stuart, twelfth Baron Blantyre, of Erskine House and Lennoxlove. Two proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 23 of between £100 and £500, 18 of from £50 to £100, and 27 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, its minister's income amounting to £901, Blantyre has a handsome parish church (rebuilt 1863; 900 sittings) and another church at Stonefield (1880; *quoad sacra*, 1890), as well as 2 Free churches, a U.P. church (Livingstone Memorial), an Evangelical Union church, and St Joseph's Roman Catholic church. The public schools of High and Low Blantyre, and Auchintiber and St Joseph's Roman Catholic schools, with respective accommodation for 617, 682, 119, and 614 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 491 day and 40 evening, 680, 58, and 412, and grants of £462, 2s. and £18, 2s., £595, £51, 13s., and £360, 10s. Pop. (1881) 9760, (1891) 11,352.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 23, 31, 1865-67.

Blaven. See BLABHEIN.

Beary's Cross, a quadrum monument on the lands of Knoek, Renfrew parish, Renfrewshire. It comprised an octagonal pedestal, 6 feet in diameter, with an octagonal column, 10 feet high; it had neither inscription nor sculpture; it was traditionally regarded as commemorative of the premature birth, through accident near it, of the child who became King Robert II.; and it was removed in the year 1779.

Beaton, a former detached section ($1\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ mile) of Rattray parish, Perthshire, but transferred in 1891 to Kirkmichael parish. It is annexed to the *quoad sacra* parish of Persie.

Blebo, an estate and two villages in Kemback parish, Fife. The mansion on the estate stands 4 miles E of Cupar, amid wooded picturesque grounds, and contains portraits of Cardinal Beaton and Archbishop Sharp, the latter painted by the Archbishop's daughter; the estate has been greatly improved by its present proprietor, Alex. Bethune, Esq. (b. 1824; suc. 1847), owner of 1355 acres in the shire, valued at £2995 per annum.—Blebo-Craigs village lies $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of the mansion.—Blebo-Mills village stands on Ceres Burn, adjacent to Dura Den, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Blebo mansion; at it are flax works.

Bleedy Pots, a precipitous place on the coast of Gamrie parish, Banffshire, said to have been the scene, about 1004, of a sanguinary repulse of invading Danes.

Blackelack, an estate, with an old mansion, in Logie-Coldstone parish, Aberdeenshire, 10 miles WNW of Aboyne.

Blenerne. See BUNKLE.

Blervie, an estate, with a mansion, in Rafford parish, Elginshire, 4 miles ESE of Forres. It belonged anciently to the family of Dunbar, was purchased about the beginning of last century by Alexander Mackintosh, and was sold by him to the Earl of Fife. An ancient castle on it, built apparently about the end of the 14th century, consisted of an oblong edifice with a square corner tower; was mainly taken down to furnish materials for the present mansion; and is now represented only by that tower, a five-story structure, commanding a view over parts of seven counties. Four large standing stones,

believed to have formed part of a Caledonian stone circle, are near the tower.

Blessing. See BEANS-AACH.

Blind Burn, a brook in Cambusnethan parish, Lanarkshire, running to the Calder.

Blinkbonny, a hamlet and a hill in Nenthorn parish, S Berwickshire. The hamlet lies 1 mile NW of Nenthorn church; the hill (654 feet above sea-level) shows coarse red sandstone near its base, and on its northern and southern sides, but mainly consists of trap.

Bloak, a village in the N of Ayrshire. Its post-town is Stewarton.

Blochairn, a farm in Baldernock parish, Stirlingshire, 2 miles ENE of Milngavie. Several large oblong and circular cairns are on it; traditionally said to be memorials of a battle with the Danes.

Blomel Sound, a sea-belt between Unst and Yell islands, Shetland.

Bloodhope, a head-stream of the White Esk river, in Eskdalemuir parish, Dumfriesshire.

Bloody Bay, a creek in the S end of Iona island, Argyllshire.

Bloody Bay, a small bay on the NE of Mull island, Argyllshire, a little N of Tobermory. It was the scene of a sea skirmish, in 1480, for the mastery of the Hebrides.

Bloody Burn, a brook in Tarbolton parish, Ayrshire, running to Fail Water, and supposed to have got its name from some unrecorded slaughter.

Bloody Faulds, a place in Tough parish, Aberdeenshire, said to have got its name from Bailly's men having made a stand at it in their flight from the battle of ALFORD.

Bloody Fold, a place in St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire, about 1 mile from the main scene of Bannockburn. Tradition says that a body of the defeated and broken English rallied here, and sustained dreadful slaughter.

Bloody Lands, a field in Prora farm, Athelstaneford parish, Haddingtonshire. It is said to have got its name from the ancient slaughter at it of a wild boar which infested the neighbourhood; and it contains a large memorial stone, evidently raised at considerable cost, and called the Bore Stone.

Bloody Laws, one of the Cheviot Hills in Oxnam parish, Roxburghshire. A southerly projection of it is crowned by a well-defined ancient circular camp.

Bloody Nook, a spot on the W border of Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, near Carnyle village. It is the scene of a notable ghost story, arising from the mutual slaughter of two rustic rival lovers.

Bloomhill, an estate, with a handsome modern mansion, in Cardross parish, Dumbartonshire.

Blue Mull or Blumel, a sound in the N of Shetland, separating Yell from Unst, and swept by very impetuous tidal currents.

Blythe Bridge, a village in the S of Linton parish, Peeblesshire, near the boundary with Lanarkshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Linton village. It has a post office under Dolphinton.

Blythswood, an estate, with the seat of Archibald Campbell, first Lord Blythswood (cre. 1892), in Renfrew parish, Renfrewshire. The mansion, on the low flat peninsula between the Clyde and the Cart, 1 mile NW of Renfrew town, is a neat, large, modern edifice, surrounded by a finely-wooded park; on 11 Oct. 1876 it was visited by the Prince and Princess of Wales, and in 1888 by the Queen and Princess Beatrice. Lord Blythswood owns in the shire 1826 acres, valued at £5931, including £1907 for minerals. The estate was originally called Renfield; is celebrated, under that name, in Wilson's *Clyde*; and, at the erection of the present mansion, took the name of Blythswood from a small but now very valuable estate belonging to the same proprietor, which forms a handsome western portion of Glasgow. The name Blythswood gives designation to a registration district of that city, with 29,311 inhabitants in 1891, and also to a *quoad sacra* parish, with a population of 6185. A large stone on the Renfield-Blythswood estate, close to the road from Renfrew to Inchinnan, marks the spot where Archibald Campbell,

ninth Earl of Argyll, was captured in peasant disguise in 1685; and consists of a fragment of rock, weighing probably 2 tons, and containing some reddish veins, which were long believed to be stains of the Earl's blood.

Boarhills, a village in St Andrew's parish, Fife, 3½ miles ENE of St Andrew's city. It has a post office under St Andrew's, a station on the Anstruther and St Andrew's railway, a Church of Scotland mission church, and a public school.

Boarlan. See BORROLAN.

Boat Cave, a cave in Staffa island, Argyllshire. Accessible only by boats, it is 150 feet long, 16 high, and 12 wide; is overhung at the entrance by a fine sweep of basaltic columns; and looks within like the gallery of a mine cut into the body of the island.

Boath, a place, with a public school, near the mutual border of Alness and Rosskeen parishes, Ross-shire. The school, with accommodation for 70 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 35, and a Government grant of £54, 6s. 6d.

Boath, a hill 600 feet above sea-level in the NE of Carmyllie parish, Forfarshire. Several large standing stones, believed to have been part of an ancient Caledonian stoue circle, stood on it till about 1820, and a chapel of the times before the Reformation stood on the contiguous farm of Back-Boath.

Boath, a manse in Auldearn parish, Nairnshire. An elegant three-story edifice of 1830, standing on Auldearn Burn, 3 furlongs N of the village, it is the seat of Sir Alex. Jas. Dunbar, fourth Bart. since 1814 (b. 1870; suc. 1883), and owner of 1092 acres in the shire, valued at £1013 per annum.

Boathaven, a village in the east of Caithness, near Wick.

Boat-of-Bog, a quondam ferry on the lower part of the river Spey, between Banffshire and Elginshire, near Gordon Castle. Its place is now occupied by a magnificent four-arched stone bridge, built at a cost of £13,000.

Boat-of-Garten, a place in E Inverness-shire, on the river Spey, and on the Highland railway, at the junction of the Strathspey railway, 88½ miles NNW of Perth, 30½ S by W of Forres, and 33½ SW of Craigellachie. It has a station on the railway, a ferry from Duthil to Abernethy parish, and a post office with telegraph department.

Boat-of-Insh or Kincaig. See ALVIE.

Bocastle, a hill in Callander parish, Perthshire, about 1 mile W of Callander town. It rises steeply, in parts almost murally, to an altitude of about 300 feet; cannot be ascended or scaled on the S side; and is crowned with the remains of an ancient strong fortification.

Bochel, an isolated hill, rising 1500 feet above sea-level, in Glenlivet valley, Inveraven parish, Banffshire, 5 miles NE of Tomintoul.

Boddam, a rising fishing village of E Aberdeenshire, in the parish, and 3½ miles S of the town of Peterhead. Of its two harbours, separated by the beach of round stones that joins BUCHAN NESS to the mainland, and screened by that lighthouse peninsula from the sea, the southern admits only fishing boats, but the northern has a good pier, capable of receiving vessels of moderate draught, and constructed chiefly at the cost (over £2000) of the late Earl of Aberdeen about 1845, when Boddam was made a port by Act of Parliament. The fisheries of herring, haddock, and cod employ numerous boats, and the fish dried here have a high repute. Three furlongs to the S are the ruins of Boddam Castle, the seat of the Keiths of Ludquharn; and at the clean and well-built village itself, which stands at an altitude of 70 feet above sea-level, are a post office under Peterhead, a *quoad sacra* parish church, and a handsome public school, which, with accommodation for 388 children, had in 1891 an average attendance of 269 day and 22 evening scholars, and a grant of £279, 18s. and £9, 4s. Pop. of village (1871) 803, (1881) 1117, (1891) 1110; of registration district (1871) 1310, (1881) 1766, (1891) 855.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 87, 1876.

Boddam, a village in the S of the mainland of Shetland. Its post-town is Dumrossness, under Lerwick.

Boddin, a coast hamlet of Craig parish, Forfarshire, 3 miles S of the town of Montrose. There are lime-works in its vicinity.

Bodesbeck Law, a great rounded hill on the mutual border of Dumfries and Selkirk shires, flanking the left side of Moffat Water, 7¼ miles NE of Moffat town. One of the Hartfell group, it rises immediately N of Capelfell and Ettrick Pen, which have altitudes of 2223 and 2269 feet above sea-level, and itself has an altitude of 2173 feet. Bodesbeck farm lies around its north-western skirt, and is the scene of a tradition employed by Hogg in his tale of *The Brownie of Bodesbeck*. This last of the brownies laboured so bravely that Bodesbeck became the most well-to-do farm in the district, till the good-man one night left out for him a mess of bread and milk, when the brownie departed, crying—

'Ca', brownie, ca'
A' the luck o' Bodesbeck
Away to Leithenha'.

Boes' Cave, a cave on the coast of Southend parish, Argyllshire, near the fort of Dunaverty. It was the retreat, for meditation and prayer, of the Rev. James Boes, who lived at the era of the Revolution.

Bogany, a headland in Rothesay parish, Isle of Bute, flanking the SE side of Rothesay Bay, and terminating about 1¼ mile NE of Rothesay town. A medicinal spring is at its base close to the shore; was discovered in 1831; is much visited by invalids, as a remedy for cutaneous, glandular, and rheumatic affections; and contains, in every imperial gallon of its water, 1860·73 grains of muriate of soda, 12·25 grains of sulphate of lime, 129·77 grains of sulphate of soda, 32·8 grains of chloride of magnesium, 14·39 grains of silica, and 17·4 cubic inches of sulphuretted hydrogen. In 1891 a handsome pavilion was erected over the well, which is opened only at stated hours daily, when the water is retailed at 1d. per glass.

Boghall, a property, with the bed of a drained lake, in Beith parish, Ayrshire. The lake figured in the history of Kilwinning Abbey, and was drained about the year 1780.

Boghall, a hamlet in Kettle parish, Fife, 1¼ mile S by W of Kettle village.

Boghall, a hamlet in the W of Berwickshire, 4¼ miles from its post-town Lander.

Boghall. See BIGGAR.

Boghead, a village in Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire, 3½ miles SSE of Stonehouse.

Boghead, a hamlet in Colvend parish, Kirkeudbrightshire, 3½ miles S by E of Dalbeattie.

Boghead, an estate, with a manse in Bathgate parish, Linlithgowshire, 1¼ mile SW of Bathgate town. The estate furnished the specimens of bituminous shale, the testing of which, about 1850, led to the establishment of the extensive neighbouring works for the manufacture of paraffin and paraffin oil. The manse is the seat of Thomas Maxwell Durham, Esq., owner of 684 acres, valued at £793 per annum. Little Boghead hamlet adjoins the Bathgate and Morningside railway in the south-western vicinity of Bathgate.

Boghole. See AULDEARN.

Bogie, a small river of NW Aberdeenshire. It is formed by the confluence of Corchinnan, Glenny, and Craig burns, near the parish church of Auchendoir, and it runs north-north-eastward and northward, along a fine valley called from it Strathbogie, to the river Deveron, about ½ mile below Huntly. It drains a territory about 14 miles long and 8 broad, in the parishes of Kildrumny, Auchindoir, Rhyne, Clatt, Kinnethmont, Gartly, Drumblade, and Huntly; and it supplies the bleachfields of Huntly town with abundance of soft pure water. It is subject to great freshets, and in the floods of 1829 it worked great devastation at Huntly. Its waters contain excellent trout.

Bogie. See ABBOTSHALL.

Bogmile, a place, with an anti-scorbutic mineral spring, in Clunie parish, Perthshire.

Bogmuchals, a hamlet with a public school in Fordyce parish, Banffshire.

Bog-of-Gight. See GORDON CASTLE.

Bogrie, a hill and an old baronial fortalice in the N of Dunscore parish, W Dumfriesshire. The hill, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles S by E of Moniaive, has an altitude of 1416 feet above sea-level. The fortalice, standing on the hill's SE skirt, at a point where Glenessland Burn contracts to a narrow pass, confronts Sundaywell fortalice, on the opposite side of the pass; belonged anciently to the family of Kirk; and, in the times of the persecution, afforded refuge frequently to Covenanters.

Bogroy, a place in the NE of Inverness-shire, 7 miles from Inverness. It has a post office.

Bogroy, a farm, with a chalybeate spring, in Knockando parish, Elginshire.

Bogside, a station and a post office under Stirling, in Culross parish, Fifeshire, on the Stirling and Dunfermline section of the North British, $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles NNW of Culross town.

Bogton, a village near the mutual boundary of Banff and Aberdeen shires. Its post-town is Forgiel, under Turriif.

Bogton, a village in the extreme E of Kilmany parish, NE Fife, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Cupar-Fife.

Bogton Loch, an expansion of the river Doon on the mutual border of Dalmellington and Straiton parishes, Ayrshire, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SW of Dalmellington town. It is $\frac{3}{4}$ mile long and from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{4}$ furlongs wide, has low banks, and is much frequented by waterfowl.

Bohally, a hamlet in the N of Perthshire, 12 miles from Pitlochry.

Boharm, a parish formerly in Banff and Elgin shires, but placed by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 wholly in the county of Banff. It has the hamlet of Blackhillock towards its centre, and, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the N, Mulben station on the Highland railway, it being 5 miles W of Keith and 13 miles SE of Elgin. Bounded N by Bellie, E by Keith and Botriphnie, S by Mortlach, SW by Aberlour, and W by Rothes, Boharm has an extreme length from N to S of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, or of 9 from the Burn of Forgie in the NE to the SE angle near Craigellachie Junction; a width from E to W of from $3\frac{3}{4}$ to 5 miles; and an area of 16,741 acres. The SPEY, 100 yards and more across, traces 7 miles of the western, and the tributary FIDDICH $2\frac{1}{4}$ of the southern and south-western border; while the chief stream of the interior is the Burn of Mulben, which flows $6\frac{1}{4}$ miles, NE and W by N, to the Spey at Boat of Bridge, its westward course, flanked by the Highland railway, parting the parish into two fairly equal halves. Strathspey here sinks from less than 300 to less than 200 feet above sea-level, but elsewhere the surface exceeds at all points 400 feet, the principal elevations in the southern half being bulky BEN AIGAN (1544 feet), Knock More (1167), and Knockan (1219); in the northern, the Hill of Cairnty (606) and Thief's Hill (819). Gneiss rock prevails along the southern border, and mica and talc strata also occur, the former traversed by frequent veins of quartz and by one narrow vein of limestone that has been worked in several places for calcining and building purposes. Little more than a fourth of the surface is under the plough, plantations covering a larger area, and clothing the slopes of Ben Aigan up to 1000 feet, of Cairnty up to the summit. In the Boharm section of Strathspey Skene places *Tuessis*, a town of the Vacomag mentioned by Ptolemy in the 2d century A.D. (*Celt. Scot.*, i. 74). In the S, near the Fiddich, stood Gouldwell Castle, the 'Castellum de Bucharin' in 1200 of the Flemish Freskines, ancestors of the Morays of Abercainey and the Dukes of Athole. A massive structure, measuring within 119 feet by 24, it has left but inconsiderable vestiges; the ancient church of Arndilly lay 1 mile to the NNE. Two fine modern mansions are Arndilly, on the Spey, $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles N of Craigellachie, and Auchlunkart House, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Mulben station. They are the seats of Col. Jn. Grant-Kinloch of Logie, and W. F. D. Steuart, Esq., owners respectively of 5895 and 6812 acres, valued at £2864 and £4562 per annum. Comprising the former parish of Arndilly and part of that of Dundurens, Boharm is in the presbytery of Aberlour and synod of Moray; its minister's income is £268. The parish church

(rebuilt 1793; 575 sittings) stands $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile WSW of Mulben, and there is also a Free church. Of 4 public schools—Blackhillock, Boharm, Forgie, and Magry-knockater—the second is now amalgamated with the first; and in 1891, with respective accommodation for 172, 51, and 128 children, the three had an average attendance of 130, 29, and 40, and grants of £129, 28., £22, 7s., and £36, 14s. Valuation £4464. Pop. (1831) 1385, (1841) 1261, (1861) 1412, (1871) 1337, (1891) 1266.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 85, 1876.

Bohunton, a village near the mutual boundary of Inverness-shire and Argyllshire, 16 miles from its post-town Fort William.

Boindie. See BOYNDIE.

Boisdale, a hamlet and a sea-loch in South Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. The hamlet lies near the head of the sea-loch. The loch opens 3 miles N of the south-eastern extremity of South Uist island; penetrates upwards of 4 miles westward, to within $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the W coast; has a very indented outline and numerous islets; is one of the best, safest, and largest harbours in the kingdom; and affords shelter to vessels in the Baltic trade under stress of weather. A small half-ruined tower is at its entrance. The registration district had in 1891 a population of 2283.

Bold Burn, a rivulet of the eastern section of Traquair parish, E Peeblesshire. Rising on the S slope of Far Hill (1732 feet), it runs past Bold Rig (1280 feet). $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-north-westward to the Tweed, 2 miles E of Innerleithen.

Boleskine and Abertarff, a united parish of central Inverness-shire, containing the NE foot of Loch Oich and the SW head of Loch Ness, where stands the village of Fort ARGUSTUS, $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles SE of Inverness, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ NW of Fort William, by the CALEDONIAN CANAL. The Abertarff portion lies mostly to the W of Loch Ness and the Canal, the Boleskine portion to the E; and the whole parish is bounded NE by Dores and Daviot, E by Moy, S by Laggan, SW by Kilmonivaig, NW by Urquhart-Glenmoriston. It has a length from N to S of from $8\frac{1}{2}$ to 15 miles, and a breadth from E to W of from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 20 miles. By the Order of the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 the Farraline detached portion of Boleskine (1369 acres) was transferred to the parish of Dores, and the Dell and Killin detached portions of Dores (unitedly 2465 acres) were transferred to Boleskine parish. Besides Lochs OICH and NESS, which lie at an altitude above sea-level of 105 and less than 50 feet, it contains Loch Garth (13 × 4 furl. at 618 feet), Loch nan Lam (5½ × 2½ furl.), Loch Knockie (10 × 1 to 4 furl.), Loch Tarff (5 × 5 furl. at 956 feet), Loch nan Ean (3½ × 1 furl.), Loch Killin (9 × 2 furl.), Loch Unagan (4 × 1 furl.), all of them in the eastern division, and nearly 50 smaller lochs and tarns. The principal rivers are the OICH, running $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE out of Loch Oich to Loch Ness; the MORISTON, tracing 5 miles of the Urquhart boundary; and the TARFF and the FOXERS, which, with their head-streams and innumerable affluents, drain all the eastern portion of the parish to Loch Ness. Save in the Great Glen, traversed by the Canal, and in Stratherrick to the NE, which are comparatively low and level, the surface everywhere is grandly mountainous. In the western division rise Burach (1986 feet), *Meall na Ruahaig (1658), and *Carn Mhic Raonuill (1862), the asterisks marking those summits that culminate just on the boundary. In the eastern division the chief elevations, from N to S, and crosswise from W to E, are Carn Choire Riabhaich (1773 feet), Meall na Targaid (1016), Leachd nan Cisteachan (1926), Carn Fluch-bhad (2153), and *Carn na Saobhaidhe (2658); Beinn a' Bhacaidh (1812), Beinn Mhathoin (1773), and Doire Mearach (2582); Carn Dubh (2495), Carn a' Choire Ghlaise (2555), and *Borrach Mor (2686); Creag Ardochy (1417), Dubh Lochan (2205), Carn Vangie (2331), Carn Easgann Bana (2554), Meall nan Uamh (2297), An Staineach (2748), and *Fiadh Fardach (2505); Meall a' Chlo-dumain (1034), Carn a' Chuilinn (2677), Meall Caca (2490), *Carn Odhar na Criche (2927), *Cairn Ewen (2870), and *Carn na Criche (2820); and, on the southern boundary, belonging to

the heavy, rounded Monadh-Leadh chain, Mullaich 'a' Ghlinne (1734), Carn Leac (2889), CORRYARRICK (2922), Gael Charn (2833), Maell na h'Aisre (2825), and Carn Fraoich (2511). Gneiss surrounds all the head of Loch Ness, but on the E is interrupted by granite, occasionally syenitic or porphyritic, which reaches northward into Stratherrick, a valley that seems to be an old lake-basin, drained by the chasm at the Falls of FOYERS, these being situated in the red conglomerate; and granite and limestone have both been extensively quarried. Sheep-farming is the chief source of wealth, from thirty to forty thousand sheep being pastured here; and what little arable land there is, in Glenmore and Stratherrick, varies greatly in kind and quality, ranging from clay to gravel, and from peat moss to argillaceous loam. Much natural wood, the vestige seemingly of one vast forest, remains; and the shores of Loch Ness and the course of the Moriston are finely wooded. Up to the 15th century the whole of the united parish belonged to the Frasers of Lovat; but now, besides Lord Lovat, there are J. C. Cunningham of Foyers and Gen. Hastings Fraser of Ardochy, who hold respectively 22,506 and 3000 acres in the shire, of an annual value of £2446 and £338, 10s. Their seats of Cullachy (Lord Lovat), Foyers, and Ardochy, are $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S, 1 mile S by E, and 14 miles NE of Fort Augustus; and other mansions, Abercalder (Wm. Soper) and Corrieharth (Lord Lovat), are $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW and 10 NE. Boleskine is in the presbytery of ABERTARFF and synod of Argyll; its minister's income is £241. The parish church (1717; 428 sittings) stands in Stratherrick, near Loch Garth, $12\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Fort Augustus by General Wade's hilly military road; and the Roman Catholic church of the Immaculate Conception (1859; 130 sittings) lies $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile nearer that village, where are three more places of worship—Established, Free, and Roman Catholic. Five schools—Boleskine, Fort Augustus, Knockchoim, and Fort Augustus and Whitebridge R.C.—with respective accommodation for 97, 100, 40, 142, and 67 children, had in 1891 an average attendance of 55, 67, 15, 27, and 12, and grants of £73, 7s. 6d., £81, 4s. 6d., £16, 19s. 6d., £31, 8s., and £11, 4s. 6d. Valuation £10,661, 1s. 2d., of which £5555, 9s. belong to Lord Lovat. Pop. mostly Gaelic-speaking, (1871) 1578, (1881) 1447, (1891) 1429, of whom 499 were in the registration district of Boleskine, and 930 in that of Fort Augustus or Abertariff. Pop. of *g. s.* parish (1891) 499, the remainder being included in GLENGARY. —*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 63, 73, 1873-78.

Bolfracks, a former detached section ($4\frac{3}{4} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ miles) of Fortingal parish, central Perthshire, on the S bank of the Tay, between Aberfeldy and Taymouth Castle, but transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 to the parish of Dull. Bolfracks House here belongs to the Marquis of Breadalbane. A beautiful building-stone is extensively quarried, and was used for the construction of Taymouth Castle.

Bolsban, an estate in Kinnell parish, Forfarshire. It belonged anciently to Arbroath abbey; passed, before the middle of the 15th century, to Sir John Ogilvy of Lenthraith; was sold, in 1634, to the first Earl of Southesk; went to the Crown in 1716, on the attainder of the fifth Earl; was sold, in 1720, to the York Buildings' Company; and, on the bankruptcy of that company in 1764, was purchased by Sir James Carnegie of Pittarow, through whom it came back to the Earls of Southesk, whose titles were revived in 1855. A castellated mansion, the special residence of the Ogilvy family, stood on the estate, but was removed last century.

Boltachan, a mountain tarn in Comrie parish, Perthshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of St Fillans village. Lying 1483 feet above sea-level, it measures 2 by $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs; sends off a burn running $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-eastward to the Earn; and abounds with trout averaging two to the pound.

Bolton, a hamlet and a parish of central Haddingtonshire. The hamlet lies toward the N of the parish, on the left bank of Coalstoun Water, 3 miles S by W of Haddington, its post-town and railway station; and at it are the parish church (1809; 300 sittings), the manse, and the public school.

The parish is bounded NW, N, and NE by Haddington, E by Yester, SW by Humbie, and W by Salton. With a very irregular outline, it has an extreme length from N by E to S by W of 5 miles, a width from E to W of from $\frac{3}{4}$ to 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and an area of 3106 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres. COALSTOUN Water, a trout-stream of much gentle beauty, traces the north-eastern and the northern boundary; BIRNS Water, the south-western; and between these two rivulets the surface has a general southward rise, from about 200 feet above sea-level to 426 on the Gifford and Salton road, and 700 beyond Ewingston in the extreme SE. The rocks include coarse sandstone, and perhaps limestone too, but nowhere lie exposed, except for a short stretch of the Coalstoun's channel; the soil is in one part poor, consisting of tenacious yellow clay resting on tilly subsoil, but elsewhere is mostly a fertile clay or strong argillaceous loam. Nearly 400 acres are planted, and 55 or so are permanent pasture, the rest being all under the plough. The 'Chesters' is a greatly defaced square camp, 7 furlongs S by E of the hamlet; and at the hamlet itself stood a mansion with a park (The Orchards), which is said to have belonged to John Hepburn of Bolton, executed (3 Jan. 1568) as a leading associate in Darnley's murder. From the St Hilaries and the Viponts the manor of Bolton came to George, fourth Lord Halyburton (c. 1450), to Patrick Hepburn, first Earl of Bothwell (d. 1507), and to William Maitland, the famous Secretary Lethington (d. 1573), whose nephew was in 1624 created Earl of Lauderdale and Baron Thirlstane and *Bolton*, a title still borne by the present (thirteenth) Earl. The fourth, however, sold the barony itself to Sir Thomas Livingston (Viscount of Teviot in 1696); and he, in turn, transferred it in 1702 to Walter Stuart, Master of Blantyre, whose collateral descendant, the twelfth Lord Blantyre, is one of the present 8 proprietors—3 holding each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, and 1 of from £50 to £100. Eaglescarnie, the only mansion, stands on the Coalstoun, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE of the hamlet. Bolton is in the presbytery of Haddington and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the minister's income is £158. In the extreme W is a Free church for Bolton and Salton, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of the latter village, 2 SW of the former. The school, with accommodation for 68 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 41, and a grant of £51, 1s. Valuation (1892) £3088. Pop. (1871) 364, (1881) 337, (1891) 271.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 33, 1863.

Bombie, a ruined castle in Kirkeudbright parish, Kirkeudbrightshire, 3 miles E of Kirkeudbright town. It belonged from 1227 and earlier to the Maclellans, ancestors of the Barons Kirkeudbright (1633-1832). A glen, a hill (400 feet), and a small hamlet of its own name are in its vicinity.

Bona, an ancient parish of NE Inverness-shire, now united to Inverness parish. The central part of it is at Bona Ferry, on Loch Dochfour, 6 miles SW of Inverness. A school-house, used for religious service, the ruins of the ancient church, and remains of a 'Roman station,' formerly identified with the Banatia Urls of the false Richard of Cirencester, are in the vicinity of the ferry; and a rude mediæval fortress, called Castle Spiritual, and probably designed to command the passage of the Ness, stood near the site of the 'Roman station,' and was partly removed in operations for improving the Caledonian Canal. During the progress of these operations, at and near the fortress there were found some coins of Queen Elizabeth, a number of well-preserved human bones, a complete human skeleton, and a stone-encased nest of live toads.

Bonally Tower, a mansion in Colinton parish, Edinburghshire, 5 miles SW of Edinburgh, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ S of Colinton station. Standing at the base of the Pentland Hills, and engirt by exquisite grounds, through which two head-streams of the Braid Burn descend from Cape-lane Hill and from the neighbouring Clubbedean and Torduff reservoirs, it comprises a peel tower, added in 1838 to an older house, and was the seat of the judge Lord Cockburn (1779-1854) from 1811 till his death here, and later of Wm. Ballantyne Hodgson, LL.D. (1815-

60), professor of economic science in the University of Edinburgh.

Bonar-Bridge, a village in Creich parish, SE Sutherland, at a strait towards the head of Dornoch Firth, 1 mile NE of ARDGY, where is Bonar-Bridge station, 13½ miles WNW of Tain. It comprises a line of houses overlooking the water; is a thriving place, more than doubled in size in the last fifty years; and has a post office (Bonar village) under Ardgay, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Caledonian Bank, two hotels, a drill hall, and a public school. The bridge across the Firth here, from which the village took its name, was constructed (1811-12) by Telford at a cost of £13,971, and was washed away on the 29 Jan., 1892, its pillars and abutments undermined by an extraordinary flood. A new iron-girder bridge has since been erected by Sir William Arrol. Pop. (1891) 356.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 102, 1881.

Bonawe. See BUNAWA.

Bonchester, a hill and a hamlet in Holkirk parish, Roxburghshire. The hill rises to the E of the hamlet; is a beautiful, verdant, round-shouldered eminence, attaining an altitude of 1059 feet above sea-level; shows remains of ancient fortifications; and is believed to have been occupied by the Romans under the name of *Bona Castra* ('good camp'). The hamlet lies on the left bank of Rule Water, 8 miles SSW of Jedburgh; bears the name Bonchester-Bridge; and has a post office under Hawick, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments.

Bonerbo. See CAENEBOE.

Bo'ness. See BORKLOWSTOUNESS.

Bonessan, a village in Kilfinichen and Kilviekeon parish, Mull island, Argyllshire, at the head of Loch Sloch, near the mouth of Loch Scriden, 6 miles E of the western extremity of the Ross of Mull, and 27 miles WSW of Oban. It has a post office under Auchnacraig, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, the parish church, and a public school.

Bongate, a suburban village in Jedburgh parish, Roxburghshire, on the right side of the river Jed, contiguous to Jedburgh town, and straggling upwards of 500 yards, from near the E end of Townfoot-Bridge, along the road to Kelso. An ancient cross stood at it, and probably is represented by a large extant stone, covered with indistinct characters, and with representations of animals. Upwards of 90 Saxon silver coins were exhumed, in 1827, from a neighbouring field; they belonged to three different reigns, but chiefly to that of Ethelred.

Bonhard, an estate, with an ancient mansion, in Cariden parish, Linlithgowshire. The mansion stands ½ mile SE of Borrowstouness. Coal and iron have been worked on the estate, the former for a comparatively remote period.

Bonhard, a farm formerly in Stone parish, Perthshire. Along with other subjects it was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 to the parish of Kinnoull. Two ancient Caledonian stone circles are on it, each about 21 feet in diameter, and comprising 9 stones.

Bonhill (Gael. *bogh n'uill*, 'foot of the rivulet'), a town and parish of Dumbarshire. The former stands on the left bank of the Leven, which here is crossed by an iron suspension bridge (1836) of 438 feet span, leading to the town and station of Alexandria, that station being 3½ miles N of Dumbar, 19¼ WNW of Glasgow, 1½ S by E of Balloch pier on Loch Lomond, and 3½ WSW of Stirling. Like Alexandria hardly a century old, Bonhill consists of one long well-built street, and has a money order and savings bank post office, a branch of the Commercial Bank, a local savings bank, a handsome Gothic parish church with a square clock-tower, a Free church of red freestone, with a spire, and a U.P. church. A horse-fair is held on the first Thursday of February. Pop. (1881) 2983, (1891) 3543.

The parish contains also the town of ALEXANDRIA and the villages and stations of JAMESTOWN and BALLOCH, 1 mile N and ½ N by W of Bonhill town. Bounded N by Loch Lomond, NE by Kilmarnock, SE by Dumbar, SW by Cardross, and W and NW by Luss, it

has an extreme length from E to W of 5½ miles, a width from N to S of from 2 to 3½ miles, and an area of 9191½ acres, of which 818½ are water. The foot of Loch LOMOND (23 feet above sea-level) belongs, for 2 miles on the western and ¾ mile on the eastern shore, to Bonhill; and Smollett's LEVEN flows from it 3 miles southward through the parish, which it divides into two fairly equal halves. Along it lies the level Vale of Leven, from 6 to 11 furlongs wide, a pleasant valley still, though it had lost its Arcadian character so early even as 24 Aug. 1803, the day when Coleridge, Wordsworth, and his sister Dorothy drove up it from Dumbar to Luss, and the last in her journal described it as 'of no extreme beauty, though prettily wooded; the hills on each side not very high, sloping backwards from the bed of the vale, which is neither very narrow nor very wide: the prospect closed by Ben Lomond and other mountains. The vale,' she continues, 'is populous, but looks as if it were not inhabited by cultivators of the earth; the houses are chiefly of stone, often in rows by the river side; they stand pleasantly, but have a tridish look' (*Tour in Scotland*, edited by Prince Shairp, p. 62). Right of this valley the surface rises westward to 901 feet on Auchindennan Muir, 714 on Darleith Muir, 995 on Bromley Muir, and 940 on Overton Muir; left of it, eastward, to 297 feet near Over Balloch, 691 near Auchearroch, and 843 on the Dumbar border. The leading formations are Old Red sandstone in the W, and elsewhere Lower Silurian; the soil of the arable lands is mostly a fertile loam, resting on a clay subsoil. More than 300 acres are planted with larches and Scotch pines; but the two famous ash-trees have wholly or almost disappeared, that in the churchyard (girthing 26½ feet at 3 from the ground, and 113 high) having been blown down by the gale of 1 Nov. 1845, whilst the other at Bonhill Place (at 3 feet girthing 34) is represented only by the shell, 12 by 3 feet, of one side of the trunk (*Trans. Highl. and Ag. Soc.*, 1880, p. 132). Bleaching was started on the banks of the Leven in 1728, and the first print-field 40 years afterwards, breaking up the valley's pastoral solitude, but greatly improving the rental: to-day there are some half a dozen calico printing and Turkey-red dye works—at Dalmonach near Bonhill town, Leven Bank, Alexandria, etc.—together employing between 4000 and 5000 hands. The Lennox and Lindsay families were anciently connected with this parish, the former in the 15th century holding the whole of it, along with old Balloch Castle, whose fosse only remains; and the latter in the 17th owning the lands of Bonhill, which after the Restoration passed to Sir James Smollett, grandfather of the celebrated novelist, and founder of a house whose fortunes are traced in Irving's *Account of the Family of Smollett of Bonhill*. At present the principal mansions, with the owners or occupiers, and the extent and annual value of their estates within the shire, are—Arden House, on the W shore of Loch Lomond, 3½ miles NW of Balloch station (Jas. Lumsden, 1447 acres, 4923); Cameron House, 1½ mile WNW of same (Patrick Smollett, 1733 acres, 43360); Lennoxbank, near same (Sir A. Orr Ewing, Bart., M.P. for Dumbarshire for many years, 201 acres, 43440); modern Balloch Castle, on the E shore of Loch Lomond, 1 mile N of same (A. J. D. Brown, 893 ac., 41274); Westerton House, 2¼ miles NE of same (William Kippen, 733 ac., 4568); Tullichevan Castle, 1 mile N by W of Alexandria (Jas. Campbell, 1112 ac., 41821); Bonhill Place, 1 mile S of same, and Darleith House, 3 miles N by W of Cardross. In the presbytery of Dumbar and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, Bonhill, as enlarged in 1659 by annexations from Luss and Kilmarnock, is divided into the *quoad sacra* parishes of Bonhill and Alexandria, the stipend of the former being 4278. A cemetery, 5 acres in extent, was formed for the whole parish at Alexandria in 1881, at a cost of 42000. Besides 3 schools at ALEXANDRIA, there are 2 public schools, at Bonhill town and South Jamestown, which, with respective accommodation for 465 and 477 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 321 and 353 day, and 42 and 32 evening scholars, with grants for the

former of £341, 19s. 6d. and £381, 11s., for the latter of £19, 12s. and £18, 8s. Valuation, £56,494, 3s., including 2½ miles of the Dumbartonshire and 2 of the Forth and Clyde Junction sections of the North British. Pop. (1801) 2460, (1831) 3874, (1841) 6682, (1851) 7643, (1861) 8866, (1871) 9408, (1881) 12,524, (1891) 14,379. —*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Bonitown. See BONNINGTON.

Bonedward, a village in Jedburgh parish, Roxburghshire, ¾ mile above the influx of the Jed to the Teviot, and 2 miles N of Jedburgh. It occupies the site of a Roman station, and was long a place of some note and strength. Bonjedward House, hard by, was the dower house of the Dowager Marchioness of Lothian (d. 1877).

Bonkle, a village in Cambusnethan parish, Lanarkshire, in a picturesque situation on the Alanton estate, 3 miles ENE of Wishaw. A U.P. church here was built in 1818, and contains 560 sittings.

Bonnet Hill. See DUNDEE.

Bonnington, a suburb on the mutual border of St Cuthbert's and North Leith parishes, Edinburghshire, on the Water of Leith, and on the Edinburgh and Leith branch of the North British railway, in the south-western vicinity of Leith. It comprises numerous neat villas and good lofty houses; presents an appearance in keeping with the best part of Leith; and has a station on the railway, a U.P. church hall, a girls' public school, and a mineral spring. It has a U.P. hall, a Gothic edifice, erected in 1875 at a cost of about £1200, a U.P. church, and a post office under Edinburgh, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments.

Bonnington, a hamlet in Ratho parish, Edinburghshire, 1½ mile SW of Ratho village. Bonnington House, in the south-western vicinity of the hamlet, is a mansion of 1622. Bonnington estate, around the mansion and the hamlet, belonged anciently to Robert de Erskine; in the middle of the 17th century, to Lord Collington; in subsequent times to successively the Durhams, the Cunninghams, and the Wilkies.

Bonnington. See ARBRIOT.

Bonnington, an estate, with a mansion and a famous waterfall, in the SW of Lanark parish, Lanarkshire. The estate belonged to the Baillies of Lamington, heirs of Sir William Wallace; passed by marriage to the Carmichaels (c. 1590), to Robert Dundas of Arniston (c. 1757), and to Admiral Sir John Lockhart-Ross (1721-90); and now belongs to Sir Charles Lockhart-Ross, Bart., of BALNAGOWAN, Ross-shire, who owns in Lanarkshire 1421 acres, valued at £151 per annum. The mansion on it stands near the Clyde, within ¼ mile of Corra Linn; superseded an old mansion of the Baillies; was built by Sir John L. Ross, after designs by Gillespie Graham; and contains a portrait of Sir William Wallace, a rude old chair called Wallace's, and a small ancient cup, girt with a silver hoop, and known as 'Wallace's quag,'—all brought, long years ago, from Lamington Castle. The grounds around the mansion are naturally beautiful, and highly improved by art; they are open to tourists, and include the path leading to the fall. This, Bonnington Linn, is the uppermost of the three famous falls of the Clyde; occurs about a mile above the mansion, and 2½ miles S of Lanark; is a sheer leap of the whole river over a precipice of 30 feet; and has a projecting break in the middle of the breadth, which splits the descending mass of waters, and gives a twofold power to their scenic effect. The fall becomes an abyss, the abyss a river-torrent, and the river-torrent carers for about ½ mile along a dark wild chasm, with mural faces 70 to 100 feet high. The scenery is most imposing and picturesque; and, in its most striking part, is well beheld from a light iron bridge bestriding the river near the fall. See pp. 33-39 of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (edited by Princ. Shairp).

Bonnington, Ayrshire. See BONNYTON.

Bonny, a rivulet in Dumbarton and Stirling shires. It rises in the SE of Cumbernauld parish, and runs about 7 miles north-eastward, partly along the boundary between Denny and Falkirk parishes, to the river Carron, a little below Dunipace church.

Bonnybank, a hamlet in the NE of Kennoway parish, Fife, 1 mile NNE of Kennoway village.

Bonnybridge, a town and *quoad sacra* parish partly in Denny but mostly in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire, on Bonny Water and the Forth and Clyde Canal, and 4 miles W of Falkirk. It has a station on the railway, a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank, paper-mills, saw-mills, iron-foundries, grain-mills, brick-works, a chemical work, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 415 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 298, and a grant of £293, 8s. Pop. of town (1891) 2029; of *g.s.* parish, 3111.

Bonnymuir, a bleak, moorish rising ground in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire, adjacent to the S side of the Edinburgh and Glasgow railway, and 1 mile SSE of Bonnybridge. A skirmish took place here on 25 April 1820, between 30 pike-armed Radical weavers from Glasgow and a detachment of hussars and yeomanry. The affair has been called the Battle of Bonnymuir; but was of consequence only as terminating a period of intense political excitement in the W of Scotland. Nineteen of the Radical skirmishers were taken prisoners, and lodged in Stirling Castle; and, after being brought to trial, two of them were executed, the rest transported. See chap. xiv. of Nimmo's *Stirlingshire*.

Bonnyrigg, a village burgh on the NW border of Cockpen parish, Edinburghshire, on the Edinburgh and Peebles railway, ¾ mile SSE of Lasswade, and 2 miles SW of Dalkeith. Only a collier village when the Queen drove through it (14 Sept. 1842), it now presents the aspect of a cleanly, pleasant, well-built, thriving town, a summer resort of families from Edinburgh. It is governed by a body of commissioners under the General Police and Improvement Act of 1862; and it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, 2 railway stations, a public park (1869) of 5½ acres, a bowling-green, public waterworks, a handsome Free church, a public hall, and a girls' school. Carpet weaving is extensively carried on. Pop. (1861) 898, (1891) 2514.

Bonnyton, a suburb of Kilmarnock, in Kilmarnock parish, Ayrshire.

Bonnyton. See BONNINGTON.

Bonnytown, a mansion 1½ mile NE of Linlithgow, the seat of the late Adam Dawson, Esq. (b. 1829; suc. 1873), who owned 409 acres in the shire, valued at £798 per annum.

Bonshaw Tower, an old mansion in the extreme NE of Annan parish, Dumfriesshire, on the right bank of Kirtle Water, 3½ miles ESE of Ecclefechan. It is the seat of Rt. Nasmyth Irving, Esq. (b. 1827; suc. 1870), owner of 1435 acres in the shire, valued at £1326 per annum. A marshy tract, called Bonshaw Flow, extends to the SW.

Bony Brae, a place near Wooden in Kelso parish, Roxburghshire. It took its name from the upturning by the plough of quantities of human bones; and is supposed to have been the scene of some unrecorded battle between the Scots and either the English or the Danes.

Bonytown, an estate, with a quondam ancient castle, in Maryton parish, Forfarshire. The estate belonged to the family of Wood, and now is part of the estate of Old Montrose. The castle, the Woods' residence, is represented by only vestiges of a moat.

Boon, a hill and a farm in Legerwood parish, Berwickshire. The hill culminates 3 miles ESE of Lauder; has a round massive outline; is an offshoot or south-western abutment of the Lammermuir range; and has an altitude of 1070 feet above sea-level. The farm extends south-south-westward from the hill; and has what is thought to have been an ancient market cross, a shaft of sandstone sunk into a square block of the same material.

Boondreigh, a rivulet of W Berwickshire. It rises among the Lammermuirs, near the south-western boundary of Cranshaws parish; runs about 7 miles south-westward, chiefly along the boundary between Lauder parish on the right and Westruther and Legerwood parishes on the left; and falls into the Leader, 2 miles SE of Lauder town.

Boon-The-Brae, a place with the site of an ancient chapel, in Neilston parish, Renfrewshire.

Booshala. See BUACHAILLE.

Boot-Hill. See SCONE.

Boquhan, an estate and a burn of N Stirlingshire. The estate, which is traversed by the lower part of the burn, lies in Kippen and Gargunock parishes; its mansion, on the right bank, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Kippen village, is the seat of Capt. Hy. Jn. Fletcher-Campbell, R.N. (b. 1837; suc. 1877), owner of 5679 acres in the shire, valued at £3185 per annum. Here formerly stood a baronial fortress, which witnessed some sharp collisions of the clans. The burn rises in the N of Fintry parish, between two of the Lennox hills, which have altitudes of respectively 1582 and 1676 feet above sea-level; runs $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile north-eastward to the boundary of Gargunock parish; traces that boundary 4 miles northward, dividing Gargunock from Balfron and Kippen; traverses a glen so grandly romantic, so beautifully wild, as to have been sometimes compared to the Trossachs; and falls into the Forth in the northern vicinity of Kippen station.

Bora, an uninhabited islet in Rendal parish, Orkney, opposite Millburn harbour, in Gairsay.

Bord, a lake of about 4 acres, containing pike and frequented by wild duck and teal, in Kirkintilloch parish, Dumbartonshire.

Border Counties Railway, a railway, commencing at Riccarton Junction, in the S of Roxburghshire, going thence $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles eastward to the English border, and thence proceeding to a junction with the Newcastle and Carlisle railway in the vicinity of Hexham. Authorised in 1854 and completed in 1862, it was amalgamated with the North British in 1860.

Border Union Railway, a railway partly in Roxburghshire and Dumfriesshire, and going thence to Carlisle. It commences in a junction with the Hawick branch of the North British railway at Hawick; goes southward up the vale of Slitrig Water across the watershed between Teviotdale and Liddesdale past Riccarton, and down the valley of the Liddel past Newcastle, into England; and sends off branches to Langholm, Canonbie, and Gretna. Authorised in 1859 and completed in 1862, it has formed since 1860 part of the North British system.

Bordlands. See BORELAND.

Boreland, an ancient castle, now represented by mere vestiges, in the S of Old Cumnock parish, Ayrshire.

Boreland, a farm in Walston parish, Lanarkshire. A brass tripod, supposed to be Roman, was exhumed on it by the plough, and two caverns on it, one of them 40 feet long and 5 feet high, are believed to have been formed by mining operations in the reign of James V.

Boreland, a village in Hutton parish, Dumfriesshire, on Dryfe Water, 7 miles NNE of Lockerbie. It has a post office under Lockerbie. The mansion house of Boreland, and the vaulted ruin of an ancient baronial tower, are in its vicinity.

Boreland, a collier village mostly in Dysart, but partly in Wemyss parish, Fife, adjacent to the North British railway, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Dysart town. It was founded about 1735. A public school, with accommodation for 84 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 83, and a grant of £78, 8s. 6d.

Boreland. See ANWOTH and BORGUE.

Boreland or Bordlands, a hill 1013 feet above sea-level, in Newlands parish, Peeblesshire, to the W of Newlands church, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by E of West Linton. It is crowned by an ancient circumvallation, called Boreland Rings. An estate around it, of its own name, was purchased for £7350 in 1805 by Mr Wm. Aitchison, and by him improved at a cost of £20,000. In 1851, it passed for £11,000 to the late Mr Alex. McNeill, who built on it a pleasant mansion.

Boreland Park. See AUCHTERARDER.

Boreray, an island in North Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, 3 miles W of the northern extremity of North Uist island, and 3 SW of Bernera. It measures about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile in length, and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile in breadth, and is very fertile. About 47 Scotch acres of good alluvial soil were, not long ago, obtained by the

draining of a lake, at a cost of only £125. There is a Free church for Boreray and Bernera. Pop. (1861) 156, (1871) 146, (1881) 137, (1891) 152.

Boreray, an islet of Harris parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, lying far W in the Atlantic, 2 miles N of St Kilda. It measures about 1 mile in circuit.

Borestone, a southern suburb of St Ninians town, Stirlingshire.

Borgie, a river of Tongue parish, N Sutherland. Issuing from Loch Loyal (369 feet above sea-level), it flows $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-north-eastward, partly along the boundary with Farr; passes early in its course through Lochs Creagach ($1\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2}$ mile) and Slaim ($\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{1}{4}$); and falls into Torrisdale Bay, at a point about 1 mile W of the mouth of the Naver. Its waters abound with trout, and are well frequented by grilse and salmon; while those of Lochs Creagach and Slaim contain also large yellow trout, salmo-ferox, char, and large pike.

Borgue, a village and a coast parish of Kirkcubrightshire. The village stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of the head of Bridgehouse Bay, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Kirkcubright, its post-town and railway station; at it are a post office, a good hotel, a Free church, and the parish church (1814; 500 sittings), surrounded by fine old trees, and known as the 'visible kirk' from its conspicuous site.

The parish also contains four hamlets—High Borgue, 2 miles NNE of the village; Low Borgue, 5 furlongs E by N; Chapelton, $4\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs W; and Kirkandrews, 2 miles W by S; and it comprises the ancient parishes of Senwick in the SE and Kirkandrews in the SW, the former annexed in 1618, the latter at an earlier period. It is bounded E by Twynholm and for $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles by Kirkcubright Bay, SW by the Solway Firth, and NW by Girthon. In shape resembling a triangle, with apex to the N and base to the SW, it has a width across that base of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme length from the Old Military Road to Dunrod Point of $7\frac{3}{4}$ miles, and an area of $15,177\frac{3}{4}$ acres, of which 72 are water and $1574\frac{1}{4}$ foreshore. The eastern seaboard is broken by the baylets of Goat Well and Senwick, and by Balmangan Bay ($6 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ furl.); off it lie Frenchman's Rock and Little Ross island with a lighthouse. Along the south-western coast are the bays of Fallbogue, Bridgehouse ($1 \times \frac{1}{4}$ mile), and Kirkandrews; the islets of Three Brethren, BAROCCO, and ARDWALL; and the headlands of Slack Heugh, Mull, Dunrod, Bormess, Ringdon, Meikle Pinnacle, and Meggerland, immediately behind which headlands rise Meikle Ross (200 feet), the Mull of Ross (200), Bormess Bar (225), Muncraig Hill (200), Barn Heugh (196), and Bar Hill (100), commanding wide views to the Wigtownshire coast, the Cumberland mountains, and the Isle of Man. Inland the surface is very uneven, largely consisting of the alluvial bottoms of former lakes, encompassed with rising grounds and hillocks of endless diversity of form; from N to S, it attains 400 feet above sea-level near Gatchill and in Mark Hill, 350 at Minto Cottage, 325 in Boreland Moat, 200 near Pipers Walls, and 261 in Cairny Hill. Streams, with a general south-south-westward course, are numerous rather than important, the chief being Burnyard, Pulwhirrin, and Plunton burns. The prevailing formation is Silurian; and iron-ore of poorish quality exists, but copper has been sought after in vain. A fertile rock soil has made Borgue famous for pasture grounds and cattle; its honey also has a wide repute. Antiquities are Plunton Castle in the W, a massive square turreted tower, the scene of Scott's *Doom of Devergoil*; Balmangan Tower and traces of Manor Castle in the SE; the ruins of SENWICK and KIRKANDREWS churches and of the mansion-house of Borgue, a seat of the Blairs, besides five hill forts and a standing stone. More curious, though, than any of these is the prehistoric cave-dwelling at Bormess Point. Measuring $39\frac{1}{2}$ feet long, 21 to 14 wide, and 23 to 7 high, it has yielded 3586 bones or fragments of bones of oxen, sheep, pigs, red deer, mice, etc., and 123 objects of human art in bone, stone, bronze, iron, and glass. The light on Ross island flashes every five seconds. Two well-known natives were John M'Taggart (1791-1830), quaint author of the *Gallovidian Encyclopaedia*, and

William Nicholson (1783-1843), the Galloway pedlar-poet. Earlston House, 1½ mile N of the village and 5 miles SSE of Gatehouse, is a good modern residence, the seat of Lieut.-Col. Sir William Gordon, sixth Bart. since 1706, and one of the heroes of the Balaclava charge. (See DALRY.) Senwick and Borge, the other chief mansions, are the seats of A. J. Corrie, Esq. and Lady Isabella H. Hope; and these 3 proprietors respectively own 765, 1062, and 1327 acres in the shire, valued at £1179, £1156, and £1628 per annum, while 5 others hold in Borge a yearly value of between £500 and £1000, 8 of between £100 and £500, and 3 of from £20 to £100. Anciently held by Dryburgh Abbey, Borge is now in the presbytery of Kirkcubright and synod of Galloway; its minister's income is £318. One public school, with accommodation for 258 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 252, and a grant of £290, 4s. 6d. Valuation 1888 £13,413, 10s. Pop. (1811) 858, (1831) 894, (1861) 1162, (1871) 1087, (1881) 1129, (1891) 1121. See pp. 79-93 of Harper's *Rambles in Galloway*.—*Ord. Surv.* sh. 5, 1857.

Borland. See BORELAND.

Borlay or Borralaidh, a loch in Durness parish, NW Sutherland, 1 mile WSW of Durness church. Lying 38 feet above sea-level, it is ¾ mile long and from 1 to 2 furlongs wide; is fed, through limestone rocks, by a subterranean stream; has a green islet ¼ mile long; presents a beautiful appearance; and abounds in trout and char.

Borness. See BORGRE.

Bornish, an estate in South Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It comprises about 1600 acres, of which about 260 are arable. St Mary's Roman Catholic church here was built in 1837, and contains 400 sittings.

Borniskittag, a headland and a hamlet in Kilmuir parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, in the western vicinity of Kilmuir manse. The headland, for nearly 1 mile on its northern face, exhibits basaltic colonnades in picturesque combinations of form; and, near its extremity, is pierced with three caves, one of which presents a somewhat miniature resemblance to Fingal's Cave in Staffa.

Borough Head, a promontory in the S of Whithorn parish, Wigtonshire, at the E side of the entrance of Luce Bay. It forms a projection at the extreme S of Scotland, similar to the Mull of Galloway; describes the segment of a circle, on a chord of 2½ miles from Broom Point on the E to the vicinity of Carghidown Castle on the W; terminates in bold cliffs about 156 feet high, pierced with caves; is crowned, on its southernmost point, with vestiges of a small fort or cairn; and has, 3 furlongs ENE thereof, a natural archway among its cliffs, the Devil's Bridge.

Borough Muir, a quondam open common in St Cuthbert and Liberton parishes, Edinburghshire, adjacent to the S side of Edinburgh city. In 1504 it was overgrown with wood, of which it was mainly cleared in result of an order of the Edinburgh authorities allowing the citizens to purchase portions of the timber on highly advantageous terms; in 1513 it was the ground where James IV. mustered and reviewed his army on the eve of marching to Flodden. A large chapel, dedicated to St Roque, stood at the W end of the common; had a cemetery where victims of the plague were buried; and, at the Reformation, was converted into private property. Much of the quondam common is occupied now by handsome suburbs. A massive stone, in which was planted James IV.'s standard, still stands in a wall adjoining Morningside church, and bears the name of Bore Stone.

Borrodale, an estate, with a mansion, in the Arasaig part of Ardnamurchan parish, on the N side of Loch-nan-uagh, 35 miles W by N of Fort William. Here Prince Charles Edward landed, 25 July 1745, and here he received Lochiel.

Borrolan, a shallow, weedy loch on the mutual border of Sutherland and W Ross-shire, close to Altnakealgach Inn, in Assynt parish, 26 miles W of Lairg. Measuring 1 by ½ mile, it teems with trout and char, 200 of the former having been taken by one rod in a single day.

Borrowston, a mansion on the left bank of the Dee, in Kincardine O'Neil parish, Aberdeenshire, ¼ mile SE of the village. Enlarged in 1871, it lost its older portion by fire in 1874.

Borrowstoun, a hamlet in Reay parish, Caithness, 7 miles W of Thurso. A number of small caves and a strong natural arch are near it.

Borrowstouness or Bo'ness, a town and a parish of NW Linlithgowshire. A seaport, a burgh of barony since 1748, and a police burgh since 1880, the town stands at the NE angle of the parish on a low ness or promontory washed by the Firth of Forth; by road it is 3 miles N of Linlithgow and 8 ENE of Falkirk, by water 2½ miles SSE of Culross, and by rail, as terminus of a section of the North British, 4¼ miles NNE of Mannel Junction, 24 WNW of Edinburgh, and 29½ ENE of Glasgow. Defoe described it, early in last century, as consisting only of one straggling street, extended close to the water along the shore, but 'a town that has been, and still is, of the greatest trade to Holland and France of any in Scotland, after Leith.' To-day its chief streets are three—two, each 300 yards long, converging eastward in one, 350 yards more; and 'dismally dirty' is Glennie's epithet for all. It has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments. branches of the Clydesdale and Royal Banks, commercial hotels, gas-works, a town-hall, a custom-house, and a Friday paper, the *Bo'ness Journal* (1878). Places of worship are the parish church (rebuilt in 1885), a Free church, and a U.P. church (400 sittings); a public, an infant, and Anderson's school, with respective accommodation for 350, 150, and 142 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 306, 138, and 117, and grants of £308, 3s. 6d., £109, 7s., and £104, 5s. 6d., the corresponding figures for Borrowstouness and Kinniel schools being 264 and 240, 204 and 197, £205, 17s. 6d. and £198, 14s. 6d. There are—mostly of long standing—a salt factory, iron-foundries, engineering and chemical works, a distillery, brick-yards, and saw-mills; and Kinniel ironworks, ¾ mile WSW, with four blast furnaces for smelting the ore with which, as well as coal, the Kinniel estate abounds; but the stagnation of the iron trade during the last few years has caused the furnaces to be out of blast. Fishing employs a few persons. Bo'ness was constituted a head port in 1707, with a district extending on both sides of the Firth from Cramond Water and Donibristle Point to the Alloa boundaries. Eighty years later it possessed 8 whalers and 2 boiling-houses; but a grievous blow was dealt to its prosperity by the opening of the Forth and Clyde Canal (1790), and the erection of Grangemouth into a separate port (1810)—a blow from which it has hardly yet recovered. At several dates between 1744 and 1816 Acts were obtained for improving the harbour, regulating the affairs of the port, cleaning, paving, and lighting the town, and supplying it with water; but the powers created by these Acts proving insufficient, application was made to Parliament in 1842 for greatly increased powers. As last improved, the harbour comprises a wet dock of 7½ acres in extent, an older basin of 2½ acres, with a strong coffer-dam 410 feet long and 20 broad, an E and a W pier each 566 feet long, and a depth at spring tides of fully 24 feet, hydraulic machinery for loading and unloading vessels, and a connection with the North British railway. It had on its register at the close of 1891 3 sailing vessels of 384 tons, and 7 steam vessels of 116 tons. The following table gives the tonnage of vessels with cargoes, and also (for the last three years) in ballast, that entered and cleared it from and to foreign and colonial ports and coastwise:—

	Entered.			Cleared.		
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.
1854	8,639	5,217	13,856	50,474	36,571	87,045
1862	15,375	15,912	31,287	85,665	72,093	157,758
1873	43,121	145,692	191,783	41,557	145,626	190,483
1889	76,057	196,143	272,200	72,851	195,329	268,210
1891	126,635	133,822	260,457	140,641	126,418	267,059

Of the total 986 vessels of 260,457 tons, that entered in 1891, 451 of 190,706 tons were steamers, 453 of 137,945 tons were in ballast, and 395 of 74,817 tons were coasters; whilst the total 1018 of 267,059 tons, of those that cleared, included 461 steamers of 195,299 tons, 91 vessels in ballast of 26,241 tons, and 429 coasters of 60,286 tons. The trade is mainly, then, an export one, and coal is the chief article of export, Bo'ness herein ranking fourth in amount and fifth in value among Scottish ports. Besides 60,533 tons to the United Kingdom, 355,815 tons (valued at £187,845) were shipped to foreign countries in 1890; in 1891 the total value of foreign and colonial imports was £199,564, and of exports £245,590. Pop. (1851) 2645, (1861) 4561, (1871) 4256, (1881) 5254, (1891) 5566, of whom 1120 belonged to Grangeans; of burgh (1871) 3336, (1891) 4579.

The parish contains also the villages of Newton and Borrowstoun (formerly *Burncardstoun*), $4\frac{1}{2}$ and 7 furlongs S of the town. Triangular in shape, it is bounded N for $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles by the Firth of Forth, E by Carriden, SE by Linlithgow, SW and NW by Polmont; and has an extreme length from E to W of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme width from N to S of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 3190 acres, including $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres of water, but excluding about 2 square miles of foreshore. The Avon winds $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles west-north-westward and north-eastward along all the Polmont boundary; and the north-western corner of the parish, along its lowest reaches, is occupied by the Carse of Kinneil, a fertile, alluvial flat, raised only 12 to 19 feet above sea-level, and guarded from inundation by embankments. Thence the surface mounts eastward and southward to 156 feet near Inveravon, 290 at Upper Kinneil, 312 at Woodhead, 375 near Muirhouse, 269 near Borrowstoun Mains, 193 at Newtown, 350 near Borrowstoun, 402 at Mile-end, and 559 on Glower-o'er-em or Irongath Hill, which, rising on the SE border, commands a prospect over no less than eleven shires, from the Bass Rock to Ben Ledi, a distance of more than 70 miles, and which Glennie's *Arthurian Localities* identifies with the Agathes of the book of Taliessin. The geology presents some striking illustrations of igneous activity, which Mr H. Cadell of Grange, in his address to the Geological Society of Edinburgh, ascribed to the period when the highest but one of the marine limestones was deposited. Sandstone and trap are quarried; and a colliery at Kinneil, carried far beneath the bed of the Firth, has been active for many years, whilst at the worked-out Burn Pit colliery James Watt's first steam-engine was erected in 1765. The prevailing soil is a deep rich loam, and, saving some 270 acres of plantations, nearly all the area is under cultivation. Episodes in the history of the parish are the trial and execution of a wizard and five witches in 1679 (Chambers's *Dom. Ann.*, ii. 406), and the wild outburst in 1651 of the 'Sweet Singers of Borrowstounness,' who, six and twenty in number, and headed by Muckle John Gibb, *alias* King Solomon, went forth to the Pentlands, thence to behold the smoke and utter ruin of the sinful, bloody city of Edinburgh (*ib.* 414). The chief antiquity is part of ANTONINUS' WALL, known here as Graham's Dyke; and urns, stone coffins, coins, and a curious battle-axe have been discovered. A ruined tower stands near Inveravon; but another, called Castle Lyon, between the sea-shore and Kinneil House, has utterly disappeared. Kinneil itself is a fine old mansion, wofully modernised and long untenanted, almost its latest occupant having been Dugald Stewart, from 1809 till just before his death in 1828. Held by the Hamiltons since the 14th century, Kinneil is a seat now of the Duke of HAMILTON, owner in the shire of 3694 acres (including most of Bo'ness parish), valued at £15,522 per annum (£5076 of it for minerals). Three other proprietors hold each a yearly value of £500 and upwards, 11 of between £100 and £500, 19 of from £50 to £100, and 51 of from £20 to £50. There is a public school at Borrowstoun. The parish, named Kinneil up to 1669, is in the presbytery of Linlithgow and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £350. Pop. (1891) 6399.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Borthwick, a parish of SE Elinburghshire, containing the village and station of Fushiebridge, on the Waverley section of the North British, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Dalkeith, and $12\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Edinburgh; as well as GORRANBROE village, 7 furlongs NW of Fushiebridge, at which are another station and a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments.

The parish is bounded N by Cranston, E by Crichton, SE by Heriot, SW by Temple, NW by Carrington, Cockpen, and Newbattle. From NNE to SSW its greatest length is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth from E to W is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 9367 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres since 1891, when the Boundary Commissioners transferred its detached part (666 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres) to the parish of Heriot, and gave to it the Gorebridge detached part (225 acres) of the parish of Temple. TYNE Water traces the northern part of Crichton boundary, and the South Esk follows the Carrington border, whilst through the interior Gore Water, formed near Borthwick hamlet by the Middleton North and South Burns, flows about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-westward to the South Esk. The surface, with charming diversity of hill and dale, has a general rise from the great undulating champaign of the Lothians to the Moorfoot Hills—from about 400 feet above sea-level near Gorebridge and Vegrie to 1249 on the SE border. The predominant rocks are Silurian in the S, carboniferous in the centre and the N; coal, limestone, and sandstone have been extensively worked. Cairns on the moors have been found to contain funereal urns, and ancient stone coffins, with two stone troughs supported by square pedestals, have been exhumed; but Borthwick's grand antiquity is the castle at its kirktown, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Gorebridge, on a tongue of rocky land, protected S, E, and N by deep and wooded ravines, down two of which flow the head-streams of the Gore. About $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile lower down, on the lands of Harvieston, beautifully situated by the side of the Gore, stands the ruined castle of Catcune, which is said to have been the seat of the Borthwicks, before they had risen to eminence. Towards the end of the 14th and beginning of the 15th century lived a Sir William Borthwick, who, being a man of great parts, was employed as ambassador on several important negotiations, and concerned in most of the public transactions of his day. This William seems to have been created Lord Borthwick before 1430, for in October of that year, at the baptism of the King's two sons, several knights were dubbed, among the rest William, son and heir of Lord Borthwick; 1452, however, is the date of creation, according to an ancient chronicle. He obtained from James I. of Scotland a licence to build and fortify a castle on the lands of Lochwarret or Locherworth, which he had bought from Sir William Hay: 'Construendi castrum in loco illo qui vulgariter dicitur le Mote de Locherwart.' This grant was obtained by a charter under the great seal, June 2, 1430. A stately and most magnificent castle was accordingly reared, and afterward became the chief seat and title of the family. Standing in a base court 80 yards long from E to W by 35 from N to S, this noblest of Scotland's peel-towers is yet upon the whole very entire, and of astonishing strength. There is indeed in the middle of the E wall a considerable breach; but whether occasioned by lightning, the weather, or Cromwell's artillery, cannot with certainty be determined. The form of this venerable structure is nearly square, being 74 by 69 feet without the walls, but having on the W side a large recess, 14 feet broad and 20 deep, which seems to have been intended to give light to the principal apartments, and which gives the building somewhat the form of a Greek II. The walls themselves—without and within of hewn and firmly-cemented stone—are 14 feet thick near the bottom, and towards the top are gradually contracted to about 6 feet. Exclusive of the sunken story, they are, from the base-court to the battlement, 90 feet high; and if we include the roof, which is arched and covered with flag-stones, the whole height will be about 110 feet. From the battlements of Borthwick Castle, which command a varied and beautiful view, the top of Crichton Castle can be discovered, lying $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the eastward. The convenience of communi-

cating by signal with a neighbouring fortress was an object so much studied in the erection of Scottish castles, that, in all likelihood, this formed one reason of the unusual height to which Borthwick Castle is carried. A vault in the left or S wing contains an excellent spring-well, now filled up with rubbish. On the first story are state-rooms, which were once accessible by a drawbridge. The great hall is 51 feet long, 24 wide, and, to the crown, about 30 high. The fireplace, 9 feet broad and 3 deep, has been carved and gilded, and in every corner may be traced the remains of fallen greatness. On the 11th June 1567, Morton, Mar, Hume, and Lindsay, with other inferior barons, and attended by 900 or 1000 horse, on a sudden surrounded the castle of Borthwick, where Bothwell had passed four days in company with the queen. Bothwell received such early tidings of their enterprise, that he had time to ride off with a few attendants; and the insurgent nobles, when they became aware of his escape, withdrew to Dalkeith, and thence to Edinburgh, where they had friends who declared for them, in spite of the efforts of Mary's partisans. The latter, finding themselves the weaker party, retreated to the castle, while the provost and the armed citizens, to whom the defence of the town was committed, did not, indeed, open their gates to the insurgent lords, but saw them forced without offering opposition. The sad intelligence was carried to Mary by Beaton, who found her still at Borthwick, "so quiet, that there was none with her passing six or seven persons." She had probably calculated on the citizens of Edinburgh defending the capital against the insurgents; but this hope failing, she resolved on flight. "Her majesty," writes Beaton, "in men's clothes, booted and spurred, departed that same night from Borthwick to Dunbar: whereof no man knew, save my lord duke (*i.e.* Bothwell, created Duke of Orkney) and some of his servants, who met her majesty a mile from Borthwick, and conveyed her to Dunbar." We may gather from these particulars, that, although the confederate lords had declared against Bothwell, they had not as yet adopted the purpose of imprisoning Queen Mary herself. When Bothwell's escape was made known, the blockade of Borthwick was instantly raised, although the place had neither garrison nor means of defence. The more audacious enterprise of making the queen prisoner was not adopted until the issue of what befell at Carberry Hill showed such to have been her unpopularity, that any attempt might be hazarded against her person or liberty, without hazard of its being resented by her subjects. There seems to have been an interval of nearly two days betwixt the escape of Bothwell from Borthwick Castle, and the flight of the Queen to Dunbar. If, during that interval, Mary could have determined on separating her fortunes from those of the deservedly detested Bothwell, her page in history might have closed more happily. The castle is surrounded on every side but the W by steep ground and water, and at equal distances from the base were drum-towers, 18 feet in diameter, two of which remain fairly entire. As in the case of many other baronial residences in Scotland, Sir William de Borthwick built this magnificent pile upon the very border of his property. The reason for choosing such a site was hinted by a northern baron, to whom a friend objected it as a defect, at least an inconvenience. 'We'll brizz yont' (*Anglice*, press forward) was the baron's answer, which expressed the policy of the powerful in settling their residence on the extremity of their domains, as giving pretext and opportunity for making acquisitions at the expense of their neighbours. William de Hay, from whom Sir William Borthwick had acquired a part of Locherworth, is said to have looked with envy on the splendid castle of his neighbour, and to have vented his spleen by building a mill upon the lands of Little Lockerworth, immediately beneath the knoll on which the fortress stands, declaring that the Lord of Borthwick, in all his pride, should never be out of hearing of the clack of his neighbour's mill. The mill accordingly still exists as a property independent of the castle. Strong, however, as this fortress was, both by nature and art, it was not proof

against the arms of Cromwell. John, tenth Lord Borthwick, during the Great Rebellion firmly adhered to the royal cause, and thus drew on himself the vengeance of the Protector, who, by a letter, dated at Edinburgh, 18 Nov. 1650, summoned him to surrender in these terms:

'For the Governor of Borthwick Castle, These.

'Sir,—I thought fitt to send this trumpet to you, to lett you know that, if you please to walk away with your company, and deliver the house to such as I shall send to receive it, you shall have libertie to carry off your armes and goods, and such other necessaries as you have. You harboured such parties in your house as have basely unhumanely murdered our men: if you ussestate me to bend my cannon against you, you must expect what I doubt you will not be pleased with. I expect your present answer, and rest your servant,

'O. CROMWELL.'

A surrender was not the immediate consequence of this peremptory summons, for the castle held out until artillery were opened upon it, when, seeing no prospect of relief, Lord Borthwick obtained honourable terms of capitulation, viz., liberty to march out with his lady and family unmolested, and 15 days allowed to remove his effects. From the death of this Lord Borthwick the title was dormant till 1762, as again from 1772 to 1870, when it was revived in favour of Cunningham Borthwick of Ravenstone, Wigtownshire, eleventh Baron in possession of the dignity, and twentieth in order of succession. The castle, untenanted for fully 150 years, passed by purchase towards the close of last century to Jn. Borthwick, Esq. of Crookston, with whose descendants it has since remained. Inhabited mansions are Arniston, Currie, Harvieston, and Vogrie; and 5 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, 3 of from £50 to £100, and 3 of from £20 to £50. Principal Wm. Robertson, D.D. (1721-93), the historian, was born in the former manse; the minister from about 1790 to 1819 was the Rev. Jn. Clunie, author of *Th'e na a laddie but one*, and a friend of Burns, who styles him 'a worthy little fellow of a clergyman.' Erected in 1596 into a charge distinct from the college-kirk of Crichton, Borthwick is a parish in the presbytery of Dalkeith and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale (living £269), but gives off portions to the *quoad sacra* parish of STOBHILL. The ancient Romanesque church of St Mungo, with tiny apsidal chancel and the effigies of the first Lord Borthwick and his lady, was reduced by fire to a ruin in 1775; the present neighbouring parish church 'was rebuilt in excellent taste in 1850, and consists of a western tower with a broach spire, a nave, chancel, and round apse, and two transepts, of which that to the S is old, and mainly Decorated in style, though with some traces of Romanesque work.' Two public schools, Borthwick and Gorebridge (heritors' female), and Newlandrig subscription school, with respective accommodation for 94, 99, and 101 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 50, 63, and 100, and grants of £61, 4s. 6d., £71, 2s. 2d., and £102, 1s. 8d. Valuation, £16,529, including £1474 for railway. Pop. (1801) 842, (1831) 1473, (1861) 1569, (1871) 1494, (1881) 1741, (1891) 1925.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857. See *Provincial Antiquities of Scotland*, Billings' *Baronial Antiquities*, and an exhaustive article in *The Builder* for 21 April, 1877.

Borthwickbrae, a rivulet partly of Selkirkshire, but chiefly of Roxburghshire. It is formed by Craikhope, Howpasley, and Brownshope burns, which rise near the boundary with Dumfriesshire, at 1500 feet above sea-level; it runs about 16 miles north-eastward, chiefly through Robertson parish, and generally with shallow rapid current along a rugged bed; and it falls into the Teviot at a point 2 miles above Hawick. Its vale is deep and narrow; has many a nook of romantic character; and is graced, about 2½ miles from the Teviot, with the ancient baronial fortalice of Harden. Its upper reaches comprise some good fishing pools; but its middle and its lower ones offer little attraction to the angler.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 16, 17, 1864.

Borthwickbrae, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Robertson parish, in the county of Roxburgh, on the left side of Borthwick Water, 1½ mile SW of Robertson church. A graveyard here, the site of an ancient chapel,

serves still as the principal burial-place of the parish; hence Borthwickbrae is sometimes called Kirk-Borthwick.

Borthwick-Shiels, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Robertson parish, Roxburghshire, on the left side of Borthwick Water, in the northern vicinity of Robertson church.

Borve, an ancient castle on the W side of Benbecula island, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. Of unknown date, it was anciently the residence of the lairds of Benbecula.

Borve, a quadam ancient tower, on the coast of Farr parish, Sutherland, surmounting a small rocky headland projecting into Farr Bay, between Farr Church and Kirkatomy. It is traditionally said to have been built by a Norse warrior, called Thorkeil or Torquil; and it is now represented by only small remains. A natural tunnel or vaulted passage pierces the headland on which it stands; is about 200 feet long; and can be traversed by a rowing-boat.

Borve, a district of Suizort parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, with a post office under Castlebay. An endowed school is here, founded by Donald Macdiarmid, and called Macdiarmid Foundation. With accommodation for 54 children, it had (1891) an average attendance of 35, and a grant of £39, 8s. 6d.

Borve, a stream on the W side of Harris, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It is frequented by salmon; is under close time from 10 Sept. till 24 Feb.; and is open to rod and line fishing from 25 Feb. till 31 Oct.

Boston Church. See DUNSE.

Bothkennar, a parish of E Stirlingshire, containing, towards its centre, the village of Skinflats, 3½ miles NNE of Falkirk, and, at its NW, SW, and SE angles respectively, parts of the villages of KINNAIRD and CARRONSHORE and of the seaport and police-burgh of GRANGEMOUTH, this last with stations on the North British and Caledonian, and with a post office having money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments.

Bounded N by Airth, E by the Firth of Forth (here from 1½ to 2½ miles broad), SE by Polmont, S by Falkirk, and W by Larbert, Bothkennar has a length from E to W of 2 miles exclusive of foreshore, a width from N to S of 1½ mile, and an area of 2645½ acres, of which 824½ are foreshore and 46½ water. The CARRON seems once to have traced all the southern border; but, having straightened its course, has now three portions of Falkirk and Polmont on its northern, and three of Bothkennar on its southern, bank. The surface forms part, and by far the richest part, of the Carse of Falkirk, and is all a dead level, near Skinflats only 17 feet above the sea. It is almost wholly under cultivation, and consists of alluvial loam, free from the smallest stones, but overlying fine and abundant coal, which is very extensively mined. The Earl of Zetland and 3 more proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 8 hold between £100 and £500, 3 between £50 and £100, and 13 between £20 and £50. The Rev. Wm. Nimmo, author of the *History of Stirlingshire*, was minister of Bothkennar, which is in the presbytery of Stirling and synod of Perth and Stirling, its living amounting to £220. The parish church, near Skinflats, is of date 1789 (restored and enlarged 1888); and a public school, with accommodation for 405 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 285, and a grant of £249, 7s. 6d. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. Valuation £18,152, 16s. 6d., of which £14,364, 16s. 6d. was for lands and houses. Pop. landward (1871) 1726, (1881) 1798, (1891) 2025.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Bothland, a burn in Cadder parish, Lanarkshire, running about 4 miles north-north-eastward to the Luggie.

Bothwell, a burn in Haddingtonshire and Berwickshire. It rises on Dunbar Common, 2½ miles SSE of Stenton village; drains parts of the Haddingtonshire parishes of Spott, Stenton, and Innerwick; and runs altogether about 7 miles south-south-eastward to the Whitadder, near Cranshaws.

Bothwell, a town and a parish of N Lanarkshire.

The town stands in the SW corner of the parish, near the right bank of the Clyde, here spanned by a suspension-bridge leading to Blantyre Works, and by Bothwell Brig, leading to Hamilton; by road it is 2½ miles NW of the latter town, 8 SE of Glasgow, and 36½ WSW of Edinburgh, having stations on branches of the Caledonian and North British, opened in 1877 and 1878. A pleasant, healthy place, commanding charming vistas of Strathclyde, it mainly consists of plain red sandstone houses, studded with villas and cottages-ornées, the summer resorts of Glasgow citizens; is lighted by gas; and has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Clydesdale Bank, a hotel, and a public library. The parish church here is a fine Gothic edifice built in 1833 at a cost of £4179, and, containing 1150 sittings, appears a massive square tower to the height of 120 feet; E of which tower is the ruined choir of the old collegiate church, an interesting specimen of Second Pointed architecture, measuring 53½ by 21½ feet, and retaining a N sacristy (13½ by 9½ feet), a piscina, 3 canopied sedilia, and monuments to the two Archibald Douglasses, Earls of Forfar, the second of whom was mortally wounded at Sheriffmuir (1715). In this old church, founded in 1398 by Archibald 'the Grim,' Earl of Douglas, for a provost and 8 prebendaries, David, the hapless Duke of Rothesay, wedded the founder's daughter, Marjory, in 1400. One of its early provosts was Thomas Barry, who celebrated the victory of Otterburn in Latin verse; and in the former manse was born the poetess, Joanna Baillie (1762-1851). The Free church, rebuilt in 1861 at a cost of £3500, is another good Second Pointed structure, with 890 sittings and an octagonal spire, 125 feet high; the U.P. church is seated for 360. A public school, with accommodation for 349 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 286, and a grant of £272, 11s. 1d. Pop. (1861) 1057, (1871) 1209, (1881) 1535, (1891) 2400.

The parish contains also the towns of UDDINGTON (1½ mile NNW of Bothwell town), BELLSHILL (2½ NE), and HOLYTOWN (¼ ENE), with portions of CALDERBANK (6 NE) and CLELAND (7 E), and the villages of NACKERTON (2½ N by W), Carnbroe (4 NE), MOSSEND (2½ NE), New Stevenston (4½ E by N), Legbrackock (5½ ENE), Newhouse (6½ ENE), CHAPEL-HALL (6½ ENE) CAFFIN (5½ E), and NEWARTHILL (5½ E by N). Bounded N by Old Monkland, NE and E by Shotts, S by Dalziel and Hamilton, SW by Hamilton and Blantyre, and W by Blantyre, it has a length from E to W of from 6½ to 7½ miles, a width from N to S of from 2½ to 4 miles, and an area of 13,774½ acres, of which 131 are water. The Shotts Burn flows along all the north-eastern border to the North Calder Water, which traces the northern, as the South Calder does the southern, boundary; and both these streams fall into the CLYDE, a majestic river here, from 70 to 120 yards in width, sweeping for 5½ miles along the Hamilton and Blantyre border, above the Brig through flat rich haughs, below through a steeper, narrower vale, famed for its loveliness three centuries and more. For Versteegaa wrote in his *Restitution of Decayed Intelligence* (1605): 'So fell it out of late yeers, that an English gentleman traouelling in Palestine, not far from Iernusalem, as hee passed through a country towne, hee heard by chance a woman sitting at her doore dandling her childe, to sing: *Bothwell bank thou blumest fayre*. The gentleman heereat exceedingly wondred, and fourthwith in English saluted the woman, who joyfully answered him, and told him that she was a Scottish woman,' etc. The surface presents no prominent features, but rises eastward from about 50 feet above sea-level, where the Clyde quits the western boundary, to 213 feet near Woodhead, 235 near Birkenshaw, 240 near Tannoehside, 268 at Mossend, 247 near Milnwood House, 395 near Holytown, 388 near Carfin, 480 near Whitecraighead, 507 near Legbrackock, 537 near Brownhill, and 577 at Newhouse—the last two close upon the eastern border. The prevailing rocks are Triassic in the W, and elsewhere carboniferous, red sandstone being quarried in the western, white sand-

stone in the eastern district; whilst Leghranmock ironstone mine and numerous collieries are at work throughout the parish, in which are the iron-works of Mossend, Carnbroe, and Chapelhall. The soil, for the most part clay or loam, is of great fertility along the Clyde; and the whole area, with trivial exceptions, is arable.

Chief among Bothwell's antiquities and historic scenes are its ruined Castle, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of the parish church; Bothwell Brig, $5\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs SSE; the site of Bothwellhaugh, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE, that gave his patronymic* to James Hamilton, Murray's assassin at LINTHGHOW (1570); and, 3 furlongs E by N of Bothwellhaugh, a narrow, high, unparapeted Roman bridge across the Calder, with a single arch of 20 feet span. Built early in the 14th century, Bothwell Castle still covers a space of 234 by 99 feet, and has walls that in places are 60 feet high and more than 15 thick; special features being the great courtyard, the two round flanking towers upon the E, the loftier western keep, vestiges of the chapel and the fosse, and a circular dungeon, 'Wallace's Beef-tower.' Hither, on 22 Aug. 1805, came Dorothy Wordsworth, with Coleridge and her brother William, and in her *Journal* (ed. by Princ. Shairp, 1874) she thus described the stately fragment, finest, it may be, of its kind in Scotland:—'We saw the ruined castle embosomed in trees, passed the house, and soon found ourselves on the edge of a steep brow immediately above and overlooking the course of the river Clyde through a deep hollow between woods and green steeps. We had approached at right angles from the main road to the place over a flat, and had seen nothing before us but a nearly level country terminated by distant slopes, the Clyde hiding himself in his deep bed. It was exceedingly delightful to come thus unexpectedly upon such a beautiful region. The castle stands nobly, overlooking the Clyde. When we came up to it, I was hurt to see that flower-borders had taken place of the natural overgrowings of the ruin, the scattered stones and wild plants. It is a large and grand pile of red freestone, harmonising perfectly with the rocks of the river, from which, no doubt, it has been hewn. . . . On the opposite bank, which is finely wooded with elms and other trees, are the remains of BLANTYRE Priory.' From David de Olifard the lands of Bothwell came about 1242 by marriage to the Murrays, to whom belonged the patriot Sir Andrew, Wallace's staunch friend, and his son and namesake, the Regent, who in 1337 recovered his castle from the English, and 'levelled it to the ground,' it having been the seat of Aymer de Valence, Earl of Pembroke and governor of Scotland (1306), and having twice received an English king—Edward I. in 1301, Edward III. in 1336. From the Murrays it passed to the Douglasses, likewise by marriage, in 1361, and, after their forfeiture (1455), was bestowed by James III. in 1485 on his minion Sir John Ramsay; next, in 1488, on Patrick Hepburn, Lord Hales, who was created Earl of Bothwell (a title extinct since 1624), but who four years later exchanged this castle and its domain for Liddesdale and Hermitage with Archibald Douglas, fifth Earl of Angus. Thus Bothwell reverted to the Douglasses, and at present is owned by the Earl of Home, whose mother (d. 1877) was heiress of the fourth and last Lord Douglas (d. 1857). Bothwell Brig was formerly but 12 feet broad, and rose with a steep incline of 20 feet, its crown being guarded by a strong gateway; but this had long disappeared when, in 1826, 22 feet were added to its original width, and the whole structure was otherwise modernised. Here, on June 22, 1679—20 days after Sharp's murder on Magus Muir, and 11 days after their victory at Drumclog—4000 Covenanters were routed by Charles II.'s forces under the Duke of Monmouth. A helpless rabble divided against themselves, they had hardly one man of military experience; but Hackston of Rathillet held the bridge long enough to show how in competent hands it was impregnable. That past once

lost, the royalists crossed unopposed, and, slaying 500, chiefly in the pursuit, made twice that number prisoners, who were penned up in Greyfriars Churchyard, Edinburgh, as told in Scott's *Old Mortality* (1816) and W. Aiton's *History of the Encounter at Drumclog and the Battle at Bothwell Bridge* (Hamilton, 1821). Two places still remaining to be noticed are a natural cave by Cleland House, once furnished with an iron gate and a fireplace; and New Orbiston, near Bellshill, the scene in 1827 of Robert Owen's short-lived Socialist experiment. 'Babylon'—so it was nicknamed in derision—was designed to embrace 1200 persons, each with 1 acre apiece. The now demolished buildings cost £12,000, and even then were incomplete; their inmates never exceeded 60 adults and 120 children (Booth's *Life of R. Owen*).

Modern Bothwell Castle, to the E of its ruined predecessor, is a plain Queen Anne edifice, consisting of a centre and two wings; and other mansions are Bothwell Bank and Bothwell Park; Thorniewood and Viewpark near Uddington; Tannoehside, Carnbroe House, Woodhall, and Woodville, up the North Calder; Thankerton, Stevenston, and Lauchope, in the interior; and Cleland House, Jerviston, Carfin House, Carfin Hall, Orbiston, and Douglas Park, down the South Calder. In all, 153 proprietors hold each an annual value of from £20 to £50, 101 of from £50 to £100, 49 of from £100 to £500, and 22 of £500 and upwards, these last including the Earl of Home (61,943 acres in the shire, valued at £29,486 per annum), the Woodhall Estate Co. (2398 acres, £8634), the Uddington Oil Co. (13 acres, £1676), the Mossend Iron Co. (3 acres, £2790), Col. W. Hozier of Tannoehside (655 acres, £4787), and the trustees of R. Douglas of Orbiston (651 acres, £2351), of W. Jolly of Stevenston (405 acres, £1825), and of J. Meiklam of Carnbroe (1019 acres, £4094).

In the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, the civil parish was up to 1871 divided into the *quoad sacra* parishes of HOLYROX (pop. 11,641) and Bothwell (pop. 9824; stipend, £560); but the latter has since been subdivided by the erection in 1874 of UDDINGTON (pop. 5725), and in 1878 of Bellshill (pop. 4294). In 1891 there were 18 schools under a board for the entire parish, which, with total accommodation for 6684 children, had an average attendance of 4564, and grants amounting to £4417, 9s. 7d. Valuation £127,942. Pop. of civil parish (1801) 3017, (1831) 5545, (1841) 11,132, (1851) 15,265, (1861) 17,903, (1871) 19,292, (1881) 25,450, (1891) 31,484; of registration district (1881) 15,017, (1891) 19,843.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Botriphnie, a parish of Banffshire, with Auchindachy station at its NE angle, and Drummur station ($2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW) towards its centre, this latter being $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of the post-town Keith, and $4\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Duftton, and standing near the church and post office. Bounded N by the Elginshire section of Boharm, NE by Keith, SE by Cairnie and Glass in Aberdeenshire, S and SW by Mortlach, and W by Boharm, Botriphnie extends across the county at its narrowest, and has a length from N to S of from $3\frac{1}{2}$ to $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from E to W of from $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and a land area of 9459 acres. Loch Park (1 mile \times 100 yards) lies on the SW border; and rising near it, the ISLA runs 4 miles to the NE boundary through a beautiful strath, now traversed by the Great North of Scotland railway. Above Auchindachy it is joined by the Burn of Davidston, which traces all the eastern boundary; and itself divides the parish into two fairly equal halves. Glenisla sinks from 600 to 480 feet above sea-level, and elevations in the western half are Rosarie (415 feet) on the Morayshire frontier, the Hill of Towie (1108), Sheanspark Wood (1041), Knockhillcock (1025), and Sunnybrack (923); in the eastern half, Woodend (984), the Hill of Bellyback (1009), and Haggieshaw Wood (1008)—one and all overtopped by Knockan (1219), culminating just beyond the western border, and by Carran Hill (1366) and the Tips of Clunymore (1296) beyond the southern. Most of the area is either arable or planted (with alder, birch, etc.); and in Glenisla a large extent of fertile haugh-land was reclaimed, fifty

* For a refutation of the current belief that Bothwellhaugh was owned by Hamilton, and of that tale of Murray's cruelty whereon Scott based his ballad *Cudow Castle*, see Hill Burton's *History*, vol. v., p. 13, note.

years since or more, by straightening the course of the river. Drummuir, a modern castellated mansion, is the seat of Major Duff Gordon Duff, owner of 13,053 acres in the shire of an annual value of £7418. Quite near to this mansion is the station of Drummuir, on a branch of the Great North of Scotland railway. In the presbytery of Strathgogie and synod of Moray, Botriphnie has an Established parish church (rebuilt 1820; living, £238), and, 1½ mile NE, a Free church. A public school, with accommodation for 128 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 92, and a grant of £110, 13s. Valuation £4571. Pop. (1801) 589, (1811) 577, (1831) 721, (1861) 867, (1871) 785, (1881) 696, (1891) 729.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 85, 1876. See the Rev. Dr. J. F. Gordon's *Book of the Chronicles of Keith, Botriphnie, etc.* (1880.)

Bound Skerries, a group of islets, with one inhabited house, in Nesting parish, Shetland.

Bouness, a large peninsula in Fair island, Dumrossness parish, Shetland. It is fenced with a high stone wall across the isthmus, and it feeds a considerable flock of South Country sheep.

Bourjo, an extensive tumulus in Melrose parish, Roxburghshire, on the NW slope of the Eildon Hills. Apparently artificial, it is said, by tradition, to have been the site of a pagan altar; and is approached by a road called Haxalgate, traversing the ravine of Haxalgate Heugh.

Bourtie (anc. *Bourdyn*), a parish of Garioch, E central Aberdeenshire, bounded N by Meldrum, NE by Tarves, SE by Udny, S by Keithhall, W and NW by Daviot. Its greatest length, from near Blair Croft in the ENE to WSW near Portstown mill, is 5½ miles; its width from N to S varies between 1½ and 2½ miles; and its land area is 5693 acres. Lochter Burn on its southward course to the Ury follows all the Daviot boundary, receiving Barra Burn, which traces the northern border, and another which rises near the church; while by Kingoodie Burn, on the south-eastern frontier, a part of the drainage is carried eastward to Brora Burn, and so to the river Ythan. The western division, touched at three points by the Old Meldrum railway, is flat and low, 200 feet or so above sea-level, but rises gently to Barra Hill (634 feet) in the N, and Lawelside Hill (773 feet) in the S, which, continuing eastward, converge in Kingoodie Hill (600 feet), other points of elevation being Barra Castle (296 feet), Sunnybrae (491), the Kirktown (522), and Kingoodie Mill (458). The rocks are chiefly greenstone or trap of a deep blue hue, and Barra Hill has been deemed an extinct volcano; the soil of the valleys and lower slopes is a rich yellowish clay loam, that of the uplands an inferior stiff clay, mingled with gravel and ferruginous sand. Within the last sixty years much waste has been reclaimed, and nearly four-fifths of the entire area are now in cultivation, besides some 360 acres under wood—mostly Scotch firs and larch. A prehistoric fort on Barra Hill, defended by three concentric earthworks, and long called 'Cumines Camp,' is traditionally connected with the victory of Barra, gained in the Bruce-Field near North Mains by King Robert Bruce over Comyn Earl of Buchan, the Englishman Sir John Mowbray, and Sir David de Brechin, 22 May 1308. Bruce at the time lay sick at Inverurie, but, reusing by a ferry of the Comyns from Old Meldrum, he demanded to be mounted; and his force of 700 men soon routed the enemy, 1000 strong, chasing them far and wide, then swept the lands of the Comyns, so wasting them with fire and sword that fifty years later men mourned the 'heirschip' (harrying) of Buchan—Hill Burton, *Hist. Scot.*, vol. ii., p. 257. Barra Castle (1½ mile SW of Old Meldrum) or its predecessor was, in 1247, and for more than two centuries after, the seat of the Kings, later Dundwick in ELTON; it is now the residence of Col. J. Ramsay; and Bourtie House (P. Duguid Esq.) lies 1½ mile further S by E. Four proprietors hold each an annual value of more, and two of less, than £100. Bourtie is in the presbytery of Garioch and synod of Aberdeen; its minister's income is £255. The parish church (rebuilt 1806; 300 sittings) was dedicated to St Brandon, and belonged to St Andrews priory; it stands towards the middle of the parish, between Barra and

Lawelside Hills, and is 2 miles S by W of the post-town Old Meldrum, 2½ E by N of Lethenty station, and ¾ NE of Inverurie. Two rude stone statues of a mailed knight and a lady, lying in the churchyard, are currently held to be those of a Sir Thomas and Lady de Longueville. He, runs the story, was Bruce's brave English comrade, who, wounded to death in the battle, shot an arrow hither from the dykes of Fala, to mark the spot where he would lie; and she, his dame, died when the tidings reached her. The public school, with accommodation for 67 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 40, and a grant of £48, 18s. Valuation £5795, 12s. 2d. Pop. (1801) 445, (1831) 472, (1861) 547, (1871) 499, (1881) 463, (1891) 454.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 76, 77, 1874-73.

Bourtree-Bush, a village of E Kincardineshire, 7 miles from Stonehaven.

Boveray. See BOKERAY.

Bow, a farm in Stow parish, Edinburghshire, on Gala Water and the Edinburgh and Hawick railway, 2 miles SSW of Stow village. Remains of an ancient castle are on the top of a hill 5 furlongs E of the farm-house.

Bow, a reef lying quite across Noop Bay in Westray island, Orkney. Many a vessel has been wrecked upon it.

Bowbeat, one of the Moorfoot Hills in the extreme S of Temple parish, Edinburghshire, 4½ miles NE by N of Peebles. It has an altitude of 2049 feet above sea-level.

Bowbutts, a mound or tumulus in Glencairn parish, Dumfriesshire, about ½ mile from Glencairn church. It is supposed to have been used for the exercise of archery.

Bowbutts, a farm in Strachan parish, Kincardineshire. Three circular artificial mounds, supposed to have been used for the practice of archery, are on it; and two of them are now covered with comparatively old trees.

Bowden, a hill on the N border of Torphichen parish, Linlithgowshire, 2 miles SSW of Linlithgow. It forms the western extremity of the Cockerlod range, rises 749 feet above sea-level, and is crowned with traces of an ancient, circular, entrenched camp.

Bowden (*Bothenden* in 1124), a parish and a village of NW Roxburghshire. The village stands at the eastern border, on the left bank of Bowden Burn, 2½ miles S by E of Melrose and 1½ WSW of its post-town and railway station, Newtown St Boswells. It has an old stone cross, a handsome modern fountain, an inn, a post office, remains of one or two old square 'bassel' towers, and a Free church; across the stream is the ancient parish church, much older than the oldest date upon it (1666), with 350 sittings, a curious canopied pew, and a chancel vault, where 22 Kers of the Roxburgh line have been laid—the last, the sixth duke, on 3 May 1879.

The parish also contains the village of Midlem or Midholm, 3½ miles SW of Bowden, and ¾ E by S of its post-town Selkirk, with another inn and a United Original Seceders church. It is bounded N and NE by Melrose, E by St Boswells and Ancrum, SE and S by Lilliesleaf, and W by Selkirk and Galashiels. Its length from N to S varies between 2½ and 4½ miles, its breadth from E to W between 2½ and 4½ miles; and its area is 7682½ acres, of which 15½ are water. For 2½ miles ALE Water traces the south-eastern boundary, and receives two rivulets from the interior; but most of the drainage is carried east-north-eastward directly to the Tweed by the Bowden and lesser burns. Just where the Bowden quits the eastern frontier, 1 mile from its mouth, the surface is only 400 feet above sea-level; but thence it rises in parallel westward ridges to 571 feet near the manse, 933 on Bowden Moor, 816 on Faughill Moor, 856 near Nether Whitlaw, 735 at Prieston, 862 at Clarlawmoor, and 893 near Friarshawmuir, other points of elevation being Rowchester (640 feet), Blackchester (500), Cavers Carre (535), and a nameless eminence in the farthest S (709). All these, however, are dominated by the triple EILDONS, whose southern and half of whose middle and loftiest peak attain a height of 1216 and 1385 feet within the north-eastern confines of the parish. The leading formation is porphyritic trap; and the soil varies from a stiff clay overlying a hard retentive till subsoil in the N and part of the W to a fertile loam along the central banghs, whilst in the S it has a thin, dry, friable charac-

ter, well suited for turnip culture. About three-fourths of the entire area have been under the plough at one time or another; the rest is moor, bog, or woodland, plantations covering some 250 acres, chiefly around the south-eastern base of the Eildons. A military road may be traced, running north-westward from Beaulien in Lilliesleaf to Cauldsheels above Abbotsford, and flanked by three circular camps; midway along it, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile W by S of the village, stood Holydean Castle, built, it would seem, by Dame Isabel Ker in 1530, and demolished by the third Duke of Roxburgh about 1760. Only a vault remains to mark its site, and a chapel hard by, overhanging the deep dell called Ringan's Dean, has likewise disappeared; but its stonc dyke, enclosing the 'great deer park' of 500 acres, still forms a tolerable fence. The son of an Antiburgher 'portioner,' Thomas Aird of Bowden (1802-76) wrote the weird *Devil's Dream* and other poems. The mansions of Lintill, Cavers Carre, and Kippilaw are all three situated in the SE, the first two near Ale Water; and 2 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 or upwards, 12 of between £100 and £500, 4 of from £50 to £100, and 13 of from £20 to £50. Bowden is in the presbytery of Selkirk and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; its minister's income is £280. Two public schools, at Bowden and Midlem villages, with respective accommodation for 125 and 58 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 75 and 35, and grants of £77, 1s. 6d. and £41, 1s. Valuation £9127, 17s. 7d. Pop. (1801) 829, (1831) 1010, (1871) 842, (1881) 769, (1891) 694.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 25, 1865.

Bower, an estate, with a modern mansion, on the northern border of Spott parish, Haddingtonshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of Dunbar. It is the seat of Jas. Warren Hastings Anderson, Esq. (b. 1836; sue. 1869), owner of 1364 acres in the shire, valued at £3793 per annum.

Bower, an ancient hunting-tower in Lamington parish, Lanarkshire, on a knoll, within a beautiful bay-like nook of land of about 30 acres, on the right bank of the Clyde, nearly opposite Robertson village. It appears to have been built with some regard to strength of both position and masonry; it is said to have been a frequent or favourite retreat of James V.; and it is now represented by only small remains.

Bower, a hamlet and an inland parish of NE Caithness. The hamlet lies towards the middle of the parish, just off the Castletown road from Thurso to Wick, $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of the former, and $11\frac{1}{2}$ NW of the latter. It has a fair on the third Tuesday of November; and at it are a post office under Wick, the manse, and the 17th century parish church (441 sittings), while a Free church stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW, and Thura Inn $\frac{3}{4}$ mile E by N. The Wick branch of the Sutherland and Caithness railway traverses the SW corner of the parish for 23 miles; and on it is Bower station, 4 miles SW of the hamlet, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ E by S of Georgemas Junction.

The parish is bounded N by Olig and Dunnet, NE by Canisbay, E by Wick, S by Wick and Watten, SW by Hal-kirk, and W by Thurso. Irregular in outline, it has an extreme length from E to W of $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles, a width from N to S of from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 19,677 acres. The Burn of LYTH traces the eastern boundary, and receives some lesser streams from the interior; others flow into or issue from Loch Searclete or Stemster, a triangular sheet of water near the station, 7 furlongs long by $4\frac{1}{2}$ wide, and 89 feet above sea-level. Tame and monotonous, the surface has an elevation of 47 feet at Bilster in the SE, thence rising to 104 feet near Barrock House, 128 near Alterwall, 272 on Brabster Moss, 143 near the hamlet, 249 near the Free church, 235 at Stone Lud, 100 near Corsback, and over 400 at Stemster in the NW, the highest point in the parish. The formation is Old Red sandstone, and solid lumps of lead have been discovered on the Barrock property; the soil is variously loam and stiffish clay. During the last half century immense improvements have been carried out on the Barrock, Stemster, and Stanstill estates, the late Sir John Sinclair (1794-1873) having drained the Loch of Alterwall in the NE, and, by straightening and deepening a burn, converted 3000 acres of hitherto worthless

land into capital pasture (*Trans. Highl. and Ag. Soc.*, 1875, pp. 207, 218). Antiquities are seven Piets' houses, two forts, and 'Stone Lud,' a standing-stone $8\frac{1}{2}$ feet high. Barrock House (Sir John Rose George Sinclair, eighth Bart. since 1631) lies $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of the hamlet, Stemster House (Alex. Henderson, Esq.) $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of the station; and their owners respectively hold 6900 and 4039 acres in the shire, of an annual value of £2355 and £1918. Bower is in the presbytery of Caithness and synod of Caithness and Sutherland; its minister's income is £188. There are five public schools—at the hamlet, Barrock, Gillock, Stanstill in the SE, and Stemster. With accommodation for 125, 98, 29, 70, and 118 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 55, 93, 27, 26, and 50, and grants of £69, 1s., £101, 15s., £46, 9s. 3d., £40, 18s. 6d., and £63, 12s. Valuation £9115. Pop. (1801) 1572, (1811) 1478, (1831) 1615, (1861) 1746, (1871) 1700, (1881) 1608, (1891) 1506.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 116, 1878.

Bowerhope, a hill and a farm in Ettrick parish, Selkirkshire, on the SE side of St Mary's Loch. The hill is called Bowerhope Law, and has an altitude of 1570 feet above sea-level. Hogg, the Ettrick Shepherd, contemplating it in winter, says—

'But winter's deadly hues shall fade
On moorland bald and mountain shaw,
And soon the rainbow's lovely shade
Sleep on the breast of Bowerhope Law.'

Bowershall, a village in Dunfermline parish, Fife, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Dunfermline town.

Bowhill, a beautiful modern hunting seat in Selkirk parish, Selkirkshire, near the right bank of Yarrow Water, opposite Philiphaugh, and 4 miles W by S of Selkirk town. It is a summer seat of the Duke of Buccleuch, owner of 60,428 acres in the shire, valued at £19,828 per annum. The pleasant grounds of 'sweet Bowhill,' extending 2 miles along the Yarrow, are finely wooded, possess much beauty, and are open to visitors; within their circuit, higher up the stream, stand the ruins of NEWARK Castle. The principal entrance to them is a bridge over the Yarrow known as the General's Bridge.

Bowholm, a village in the parish and near the village of Canonbie, SE Dumfriesshire.

Bowhouse, a village in Calderhead registration district, Lanarkshire.

Bowhouse, a station in Muiravonside parish, Stirlingshire, on the Slamannan railway, 3 miles ENE of Avonbridge.

Bowland, an estate in Stow parish, SE Edinburghshire, with a station on the Waverley line of the North British, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Galashiels. The mansion, near the right bank of Gala Water, is mainly a castellated edifice, sixty years old or so, but includes part of a previous ancient mansion; it is the seat of William Ramsay, Esq., owner of 2150 acres in the shire, valued at £1224 per annum.

Bowling or Bowling Bay, a village in Old Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire. Including a narrow strip of level ground along the Clyde, overhung by the picturesque acclivities of the Kilpatrick Hills, it stands at the western end of the Forth and Clyde Canal, on the road from Glasgow to Helensburgh, and on the Glasgow, Dumbarton, and Helensburgh railway, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Dumbarton. At it are the terminal lock of the canal, two landing-stages, a large embanked pool for berthing steamers in winter, a shipbuilding yard, a railway station, a distillery, two inns, a post office under Glasgow with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, and the Duchanan Institute, with billiard room, reading room, etc. The *Industry*, the oldest steamboat in existence, lies fast decaying in one of the harbours. Pop. (1891) 803.

Bowman, a large tabular rock near Rayne church, in Rayne parish, Aberdeenshire. It is thought to have been used, in old times, for archery, or practising with the bow.

Bowmont, a Border stream of NE Roxburghshire. At Cocklawfoot, in the SE of Morebattle parish, it is

formed by three or four head-streams that rise at altitudes of from 1500 to 2300 feet above sea-level; thence runs 10½ miles NW, N, and NNE, chiefly among the Cheviot Hills, through Morebattle and Yetholm parishes; and, 1½ mile below Yetholm bridge, passes into Northumberland, to fall into the Till at the field of Flodden. Receiving College Burn near Copeland Castle, 4 miles above its influx to the Till, it thenceforward takes the name of the Glen. A beautiful stream, with a rapid current, it is subject to high floods; and, in its upper reaches, is noted for the abundance and excellence of its trout. It gives the title of Marquis (cre. 1707) to the Duke of Roxburgh. — *Ordn. Sur.*, shs. 18, 26, 1863-64.

Bowmore, a small seaport town and a registration district in Kilarrow parish, Islay island, Argyllshire. The town stands on the E side of Loch Indal, 3 miles SW of Bridgend, 11 SW of Port Askaig, 13 N of the Mull of Islay, and 110 by sea route WSW of Greenock. It was founded in 1765; and, though a good deal checked by the subsequent erection of Port Charlotte and Port Eleanor on the opposite side of the bay, it has had considerable prosperity, and is the capital of the island. It was laid out upon a regular plan, but has been greatly disfigured by the medley character of its private houses, every builder having been allowed to please himself as to the material, shape, and size of his structures. A wide main street begins at the quay, ascends a brae, and terminates at the summit by the parish church; another street ascends the brae in a transverse direction, crossing the former at right angles, and terminating by the school-house; and, parallel to this second street, runs a third of very poor appearance, popularly known as Beggar Row. The hill-tops beyond the streets command a charming view of all Loch Indal, with Islay House, the Ruins, and a great extent of the island. The town has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, several hotels, a public library, a round parish church with a spire, a Free church, a Baptist chapel, a public school, a large distillery, and a considerable trade both by sea and inland, several vessels belonging to it. The harbour affords excellent anchorage to vessels, but lies exposed to NW winds. Fairs are held on 12 Aug. and 12 Nov. if a Friday, otherwise on the Friday after; and a horse market is held at each of the two fairs, as also on 12 Feb. if a Tuesday, else on the Tuesday after. Sheriff small debt courts sit four times a year. The public school, with accommodation for 210 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 155, and a grant of £192, 4s. 6d. Pop. of town (1871) 867, (1881) 834, (1891) 848; of registration district (1861) 2701, (1881) 1875, (1891) 1855.

Boykyn, a burn in the S of Westerkirk parish, Dumfriesshire, running 3 miles eastward to the Esk, 3½ miles NW of Langholm. An ancient chapel stood on its banks, was in 1391 endowed with some lands by Adam Glenindring of Hawick, and was subordinate to the parish church.

Boynag or Bynack, a burn in Crathie parish, Aberdeenshire, rising among the central Grampians, adjacent to the boundary with Perthshire, and running 5½ miles north-eastward to the Dee, 4½ miles above the Linn of Dee. A shooting lodge is on it, at a point 12 miles WSW of Castleton of Braemar; and a carriage road up to that point gives material aid to the exploration of the intricate mountain region of the Cairngorms, a foot-path leading thence down Glen Tilt to Blair Athole.

Boyndie, a coast parish of Banffshire containing towards its NE angle the fishing village of WHITEHILLS, 2½ miles WNW of the post-town Banff, and 4½ miles E of Portsoy. Bounded N by the Moray Firth, E by Banff, SE by Marnoch, SW by Ordiquhill, and W by Fordyce, it has an extreme length from N by E to S by W of 6 miles, a breadth from E to W of from ½ to 3¼ miles, and a land area of 6945 acres. The coast, about 4½ miles long, has some sandy beach, but is mostly rocky, rising to 110 feet above sea-level at Knock Head, 37 at Stake Ness, and 158 at Boyne Bay, where the Burn of BOYNE enters the sea, after flowing 5½ miles along all the Fordyce boundary. The 7 miles course of the Burn of

Boyndie lies chiefly on the eastern border; and between these two streams the surface, over more than half the parish, is low and flat, though with a general southward rise, attaining 261 feet near Whyntie, 183 at the church, 248 at Kettle, 250 at Bankhead, 337 near Loanhead, 419 at Hill of Rothen, and 516 at Blackhills. The formation is Silurian, greywacke prevailing in the E and often alternating with micaceous clay-slate, whilst hornblende of a slaty character occupies over a mile of the seaboard, and is succeeded westward by violently-contorted limestone. The soil as a rule is light and not very productive; but, along the low-lying valley of the Burn of Boyndie, is either clay, clay-loam, or black sandy mould, and of great fertility. Nearly three-fourths of the whole area are under cultivation, and the plantations of Whyntie, Lodgehill, etc., cover about one-eighth more. Antiquities are 'St Brandan's Stanes,' a number of megaliths, at Lodgehill; the old ruined church of Inverboynie, dedicated to St Brandan, and anciently held by Arbroath Abbey, in the NE; and in the NW, Boyne House or Castle, from 1485 a seat of the Ogilvies, ancestors of the Earls of Seafield, but deserted soon after the Union, and now a beautiful ruin, overhanging the steep, wooded glen of the Boyne, near its mouth. The two last have been favourite haunts of Thomas Edward, the Banffshire naturalist; and both are depicted in his life by Dr Samuel Smiles. Natives were Thomas Ruddiman (1674-1757), the Latin grammarian, and Elspeth Buchan (1738-91), founder of a fanatical sect, the Buchanites. The Countess-Dowager of Seafield divides the property with three lesser land-owners. The only important modern edifices are the Banffshire Lunatic Asylum, a large and handsome building, erected near Ladysbridge station in 1865, and Woodpark Asylum, opened in 1880. Disjoined from Banff in 1635, Boyndie is in the presbytery of Fordyce and synod of Aberdeen, the minister's income being £289; but the southern portion is included in the *quoad sacra* parish of Ord. The present church (1773; 600 sittings) stands 1 mile W by N of Ladysbridge, and there is also a Free church. Three public schools, Blairmaud, Boyndie, and Whitehills, with respective accommodation for 61, 133, and 295 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 62, 86, and 213, and grants of £54, 5s., £95, 13s., and £186, 7s. 6d. Valuation (1892) £8734. Pop. (1891) 1122, (1861) 1711, (1891) 2113. — *Ordn. Sur.*, sh. 96, 1876.

Boyndie, an estate, with a plain modern mansion, in Tyrie parish, N Aberdeenshire, 6 miles W by S of Fraserburgh. For more than three centuries the Forbeses' property, it now is held by Geo. Ogilvie-Forbes, Esq. (b. 1820; suc. 1876), owner of 3325 acres in the shire, valued at £2040 per annum; on it is an Episcopal mission church, St David's, and a post office.

Boyne, an ancient thanedom, an ancient forest, and a burn, in Banffshire. The thanedom comprised the chief part of Boyndie parish, and certain parts of Banff and Fordyce parishes; belonged, in the time of Robert Bruce, to Randolph, Earl of Murray; and passed subsequently to the Ogilvies, ancestors of the Earl of Seafield. The forest comprehended a large district on the E and the S of Fordyce parish; included also Blairmaud in Boyndie parish; lay strictly contiguous to the thanedom; and stretched both E and W of the Forester's Seat at Tarbreich, on the shank of Bin Hill of Cullen. The burn rises in Fordyce parish on the northern slope of Knock Hill at 730 feet above sea-level, and thence flows 9½ miles north-north-eastward, chiefly along the Boyndie boundary to Boyne Bay.

Boyne's Mill, an estate, with a mansion, in Fergie parish, NW Aberdeenshire, 9 miles NE of Huntly.

Braal or Brawl, an ancient castle in Halkirk parish, Caithness, on the river Thurso, 6½ miles S by E of Thurso town. It probably was a residence of Harold, Earl of Caithness (d. 1206), and of the Sinclairs; but tradition falsely makes it a palace of the Bishops of Caithness and Sutherland. It comprises two distinct buildings, belonging to different eras of architecture. The most ancient one is a tower 39 feet long, 36 wide, and still 35 high, with walls of 9 feet thickness, and a fosse on the NW side, 6 feet in depth and about 20 in width.

The other building is now entirely ruinous; seems to have been more spacious and elegant; is now represented by only a ground floor, 100 feet long by 50 wide, with a front wall from 12 to 15 feet high; and probably never was carried above the first story. An extensive garden adjoins the castle, is by far the most ancient in the county, and belongs to the family of Ulster.

Braan. See BRAAN.

Brabloch, an estate, with a mansion, in Abbey parish, Rentfrewshire, in the north-eastern vicinity of Paisley.

Braacadale, a hamlet and a parish in the W of Skye, Inverness-shire. The hamlet lies at the head of Loch Braacadale, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Struan hamlet, which is in the parish, and has a money order and savings bank post office under Portree, and an inn. The parish is bounded N by Duirinish, E by Snizort and Portree, SE by Strath, S and SW by the sea; and it includes the islands of Soa, Wia, Haversay, and Oronsay. Its length is about 20 miles, its extreme breadth is about 8 miles, and its area, exclusive of foreshore, of water, and of waste tracts, is about 73,189 acres. The coast, about 60 miles long, is flat in places, but mostly is high and rocky, and is much intersected by sea-lochs and bays. Loch Braacadale, the largest and most north-westerly of these, penetrates 6 miles north-eastward, ramifies into intricate outline, embosoms four islands belonging to the parish, affords safe and commodious anchorage to vessels, and is enlivened with rich variety of ground. The tract along much of its SE side breaks sheer to the water in cavernous cliffs, and terminates at the loch's mouth in Talisker Head, the boldest and loftiest headland in Skye. Loch Harport defects from the upper part of the SE side of Loch Braacadale; extends about 4 miles, in direction nearly parallel to the sea coast; peninsulates the NW end of Minginish district; and also affords safe and commodious anchorage to vessels. Talisker Bay, 2 miles SE of Talisker Head, is a small inlet, but looks into a sheltered fertile vale. Loch Eynort, 5 miles SE of Talisker Bay, penetrates Minginish to the length of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and is sometimes a resort of vessels. Loch Brittle, about 4 miles further SE, is not a safe harbour. The coast over most of the distance from Talisker Bay to Loch Brittle soars into cliffs often 700 feet high, streaked with cascades, and in some parts is confronted with high rocky islets, all more or less picturesque, and some of them pierced with romantic natural arches. Loch Scavaig, about 4 miles SE of Loch Brittle, is about 8 miles long and 4 wide; penetrates among the Cuchullin Mountains; and presents a most imposing scene of wild and dismal grandeur. Soa and Wia islands are inhabited; but Haversay and Oronsay serve merely for pasturing cattle. The interior of the parish is prevalently hilly and partly mountainous, and it terminates, at the SE, in a portion of the unique, curious, darkly sublime groups of the Cuchullin Mountains. Several vales in Minginish, and several detached fields in other parts on the coast, are almost the only low flat lands. About 4878 acres are arable, and about 68,311 are hill pasture. Numerous mountain torrents rush to the sea, and frequently occasion inconvenience and even danger to persons travelling from one part of the parish to another; but not one can be called a river. The only noticeable antiquities are ruins of two circular towers. Carbost Distillery stands at the head of Loch Harport. Braacadale is in the presbytery of Skye and synod of Glenelg; the living is worth £170. The parish church, built in 1831, contains 516 sittings; and there is also a Free church. Three public schools—Carbost, Soa, and Struan—with accommodation for 70, 25, and 70 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 49, 16, and 46, and grants of £69, 17s., £28, 18s., and £73, 7s. Valuation £6713, of which £6329 belonged to Norman Macleod of Macleod. Pop. (1801) 1865, (1831) 1769, (1861) 1335, (1891) 920.

Bracara, a village in North Morar district, 50 miles WNW of Fort William, Inverness-shire, under which it has a post office. A Roman Catholic church for the district was built in 1889, and contains 350 sittings.

Bracholy, an ancient parish in the N of Inverness-shire, now incorporated with Petty.

Brack. See BALMACLELLAN.

Brackla, a place with a large and long-established distillery in Cawdor parish, Nairnshire, 4 miles SSW of Nairn.

Brackland or Bracklin, a waterfall in Callander parish, Perthshire, on the rivulet Kelty, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Callander village. It occurs in a chasm or rocky gorge, about 14 feet wide; is preceded by a tumultuous rapid, over a succession of rocky ledges; and makes a sheer leap of 50 feet. A narrow rustic bridge has been thrown across the chasm above the fall, and affords a clear view of the rivulet's plunge into the pool below. A young man and woman, in 1844, frolicking on this bridge, fell from it into the abyss. Sir Walter Scott describes Roderick Dhu as 'brave but wild as Bracklin's thundering wave.'

Bracklaw, a burn in Carcston parish, Forfarshire, running to the South Esk.

Brackletter, a village in Kilmonivaig parish, S Inverness-shire, 9 miles NE of Fort William.

Brackley, a castle, now nearly demolished, in Glenmuick parish, Aberdeenshire, about 1 mile S of Ballater. It belonged to a branch of the Gordon family, and on 7 Sept. 1666, was the scene of a tragedy recorded in the old ballad of 'The Baron of Braiklay;' which tells how John Gordon of Brackley was slain by Farquharson of Inverey.

Bracklin. See BRACKLAND.

Brackmuirhill. See DUNNOTAR.

Brackness, an estate and a headland in Stromness parish, Orkney. The headland forms the south-western extremity of Pomona, flanks the N side of the entrance of Hoy Mouth, and lies 2 miles WSW of Stromness town. The residence of the last bishop of Orkney, erected in 1633, stands near the headland.

Braco, a burn in Grange parish, Banffshire, running about 4 miles south-south-westward to the Isla.

Braco. See ARDOCH.

Bracoden, a deep narrow glen in Gamrie parish, Banffshire, about 1 mile W of Cat-Town of Middleton. It is traversed by a burn, making pools which are popularly fabled to be unfathomable.

Bracullo, a circular artificial mound of conical outline in Kirkcaldy parish, Forfarshire. In feudal times it was the place where criminals were executed; and now it is finely adorned with trees. Some ancient stone coffins, containing human bones with strings of black wooden beads, were not long ago discovered in its neighbourhood.

Bradán, a loch in Straiton parish, Ayrshire, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Straiton village. Lying 900 feet above sea-level, it measures 1 by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; contains two islets, with an old castle on one of them; affords fair trout fishing; communicates westward with Loch Lure (3 \times 1 furl.); and northward sends off Girvan Water.

Bradwood. See BRAIDWOOD.

Brae, a post office hamlet in Shetland, 25 miles from its post-town Lerwick.

Brae, a district of Kilmonivaig parish, Inverness-shire, with a mission of the Church of Scotland, serving also the districts of Glenroy and Loch Traig.

Brae-Amat, a district of Kincardine parish, on the E bank of the river Carron, belonging to Cromartyshire, but surrounded by Ross-shire.

Braegrum, a village near Methven, in Perthshire.

Braehead, an estate in Cramond parish, Edinburghshire, on the river Almond, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Edinburgh. The property of Major W. R. Houston-Craufurd of Craufurdland, it belonged to the Howisons from the reign of James I.; but part of it is said to have been granted them by James V., in reward for his rescue from a gang of Gipsies, in one of his wanderings as 'Gudeman of Ballengeich.' The tradition is embodied in the popular drama of *Cramond Brig*, and the tenure under which this land is held—the presenting a basin and napkin to the king—was actually performed in 1822.

Braehead, a village in Carnwath parish, Lanarkshire, 2 miles W of Auchengray station, and 7 NE of Lanark. A U.P. church here contains 500 sittings; and a public

school, with accommodation for 193 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 92, and a grant of £105, 16s.

Braehad, a village near Baillieston, Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, 2 miles W of Coatbridge. Pop. including Woodlands, (1891) 910.

Braehad, a village in the NW of Lanarkshire, near East Kilbride, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by E of Glasgow.

Braehads. See ST BOSWELLS.

Braelangwell, an estate and a distillery in Kirkmichael parish, E Ross-shire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Invergordon.

Braemar, a district, containing the village of Castleton, in the extreme SW of Aberdeenshire. It was anciently a parish, but has for centuries, though at what precise date is not known, been united to Crathie. It was originally called St Andrews; it afterwards got the name of *Cann-na-drochait*, signifying 'Bridge-end'; and about the end of the reign of Mary, when the parts of it around Castleton became the property of the Earl of Mar, it took the name of Braemar. It adjoins its own county only on the E, and is surrounded, on the other sides, by Perth, Inverness, and Banff shires. Its boundaries with these counties are all watersheds of the Cairngorm Mountains, or central group of the Grampians. Its entire area is simply the alpine basin of the nascent Dee, cut into sections by the glens of that river's earliest affluents. It can be entered with wheeled carriages only by two roads—the one from the E up the Dee, the other from the S by the Spital of Glenshee; nor can it be entered even on foot with moderate ease by any other road except one from the W up Glen Tilt. The scenery of it is aggregately sublime—variously romantic, picturesque, and wild; and occurs to be noticed in our articles on the Cairngorms, the Dee, and the several chief glens and mountains. Old Braemar Castle is alleged to have been originally a hunting-seat of Malcolm Ceanmor; became a fortalice or feudal stronghold of the Earls of Mar; surmounted a rock on the E side of Cluny rivulet, adjacent to Castleton, from a drawbridge across the rivulet; took the name of Bridge-end, and gave that name to the district; and is now represented by only scanty remains. New Braemar Castle stands on a rising ground in Castleton haugh; was built, about the year 1720, by parties who had acquired the forfeited estates of the Earl of Mar; passed by purchase, about 1730, to Farquharson of Invercauld; and was leased to Government, about 1748, for the uses of a garrison.—The district ranked as a chapelry till 1879, when it was constituted a *quoad sacra* parish. It has, at Castleton, a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, under Aberdeen, 2 hotels, called the Invercauld Arms and the Five Arms, an Established church, a Free church, St Margaret's Episcopal church (1880), St Andrew's Roman Catholic church (1829; 400 sittings), and a public and a R. C. school. The established church was built in 1870, at a cost of £2212; is a cruciform edifice, in the Early English style; has a tower and spire 112 feet high; and is seated for 550. The minister of it has a manse, with a stipend of £162. There is a fully-equipped meteorological observatory at Castleton. The instruments, by Negretti and Zambra, London, were the gift of H. R. H. the late Prince Consort, and are now maintained by Her Majesty the Queen. Pop. of *q. s.* parish (1891) 835. See Crombie's *Braemar, its Topography and Natural Histories*.

Braemar-Moray. See EDENKILLIE.

Braemore, an upland tract in the SW of Lathern parish, Caithness, connecting with the chain of mountains on the mutual border of Caithness and Sutherland.

Braeriach, a mountain on the mutual border of Braemar in Aberdeenshire, and Rothiemurchus in Invernesshire. It is one of the Cairngorm Grampians, and has an altitude of 4248 feet above sea-level. Its north-western acclivities overhang Glenmuick, and abound in terrific precipices, 2000 feet in height; and its south-eastern shoulder contains the northern source of the river Dee, at a spot only 498 feet lower than the mountain's apex.

Braeroddach. See ABOYNE.

Brae-Roy. See BRAE, Inverness-shire.

Brae, a village contiguous to Calderbank, in Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire.

Braes, a remote district of Portree parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. Its public school, with accommodation for 90 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 42, and a grant of £22, 17s. 8d.

Braeside. See FETLAR.

Braganess, a headland in Sandsting parish, Shetland, on the S side of St Magnus Bay.

Bragar. See BARVAS.

Bragrum, a hamlet in Methven parish, Perthshire.

Brahan Castle, a mansion in Urray parish, Ross-shire, on the left side of Conan Water, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile above Conan-bridge, and 4 miles SSW of Dingwall. Built early in the 17th century by the first Earl of Seaforth, it is a grand old Highland fortress, engirt by scenery of the most magnificent kind; and it contains a good library and interesting portraits of Queen Mary, Lord Darnley, David Rizzio, and members of the Seaforth family. Here in August 1725 General Wade received the submission of the Mackenzies. The present owner, Lt.-Col. Jas. Alex. F. H. Stewart-Mackenzie of Seaforth (b. 1847; suc. 1881), holds 8051 acres in the shire, valued at £7905 per annum.

Braid, a burn and a range of low green hills in the N of Edinburghshire. The burn rises among the Pentlands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of Bonally; runs about 9 miles north-eastward, eastward, and again north-eastward to the Firth of Forth at the north-western end of Portobello; drains parts of the parishes of Currie, Colinton, St Cuthbert's, Liberton, and Duddingston; has its course, at parts due S of Edinburgh, between the Braid Hills and Blackford Hill; and, adjacent to the SE base of Arthur's Seat, flows through the pleasure-grounds of Duddingston House, and is accumulated in ponds to drive the flour-mills of Duddingston. The hills extend E and W on the S side of the burn and on the mutual border of Colinton, St Cuthbert's, and Liberton parishes; culminate at a point 3 miles S by E of Edinburgh Castle; have a summit altitude of 698 feet above sea-level; and command a superb view of the Old Town of Edinburgh and the surrounding country. A grand convention of 5000 Seeders, besides 'the ungodly audience, consisting of many thousands,' was held (22 May 1738) on the Braid Hills; and a traditional legend makes them the scene of Johnnie o' Breadislee's woful hunting, as related in the old ballad commencing—

'Johnie rose up in a May morning,

Called for water to wash his hands, hands.

The Braid Hills were acquired in 1888 as a public park for Edinburgh, and a capital golf course has since been laid out. See Sir Thomas Dick Lauder's *Rivers of Scotland*.

Braid, Caithness. See BROADHAVEN.

Braidwood, a village and an ancient barony in the SW of Carlisle parish, Lanarkshire. The village stands on the line of the Roman Watling Street, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Braidwood station on the Caledonian railway, this being $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSE of Carlisle station, and 7 miles WNW of Carstairs Junction; its public school, with accommodation for 168 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 90, and a grant of £92, 4s. 6d. It has a large chemical work and a steam saw-mill, while brick and tile works comprise the other industries of the place. A standing stone, supposed to have been a milestone on Watling Street, is at the village, and a stone hatchet, flint and bone arrow-heads, remarkably small-bowled pipes, and numerous coins of the English Edwards and of later monarchs, have been found in its neighbourhood. Limestone of excellent quality is worked in its vicinity, and largely exported from its railway station. The ancient barony belonged to the Earls of Douglas; passed to successively the Earls of Angus, Chancellor Maitland, the Earl of Lauderdale, the Douglasses again, and the Lockharts of Carnwath; and belongs now to various parties holding of the Lockhart family. Its ancient fortalice bears now the name of Hallbar Tower; stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of the station; and is a structure of the 11th century, 52 feet high and 24 wide, with walls 10 feet thick. Braidwood House, on

part of the ancient barony, occupies a commanding site overhanging the Vale of Clyde, and is a handsome modern edifice. Pop. of village, (1891) 439.

Brainsford or **Bainsford**, a small suburban town in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire. It stands on the Forth and Clyde Canal, about a mile N of Falkirk; forms, with Grahamstown, a continuous street-line from Falkirk; is included within Falkirk parliamentary burgh; is near the old established iron-works of the Carron Company on the S border of Lerbeth parish; is largely inhabited by persons employed in these works; is connected with the works by a railway; and has a basin for the use of the Carron Company's vessels on the canal, a ropery, and a large saw-mill.

Braky, Easter and Wester, two estates in Kinnell parish, Forfarshire.

Bran or **Braan** (Gael. *braon*, 'river of drizzling rain'), a river of Perthshire. It issues from the E end of Loch Frenchie in Dull parish, and flows east-north-eastward along Strathbran, past Amulree and through the parish of Little Dunkeld, to the river Tay, a little above Dunkeld bridge. Its length from Loch Frenchie is about 11 miles; but, measured from the sources of the Quaich, which falls into that lake, is fully 19 miles. A turbulent and impetuous stream, it rushes along a bed of rocks or large loose stones; traverses a glen or vale of narrow and romantic character; and altogether presents a strong contrast, in both its current and its flanks, to the Tay. Numerous lakelets and tarns lie along the braes on its flanks, some of them containing good trout, other pike and perch. The Bran itself is a capital trouting stream, and is celebrated for its cascades and its romantic scenery. A fall of about 85 feet, a sheer leap at a wild chasm into a dark caldron, occurs at the RUMBLING BULDOGE, 2½ miles from the river's mouth; and a cataract, long, tumultuous, and foaming, occurs at OSSIAN'S HALL, about a mile lower down.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 47, 1869. See pp. 210-212 of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (ed. by Princ. Shairp).

Branault, a hamlet in Ardnanurchan parish, Argyllshire.

Brander. See AWR.

Branderburgh, a small town in Drainie parish, Elginshire, on the coast, conjoint with Lossiemouth. It has a Baptist chapel; and, prior to 1871, it adopted the general police and improvement act. Pop. (1861) 952, (1871) 1426, (1881) 1888, (1891) 2086.

Brandy or **Branny**, a loch in the Clova section of Corfacy parish, Forfarshire, among the Benchnian mountains, 16½ miles N by W of Kirriemuir. Lying 2000 feet above sea-level, it measures ½ by ½ mile, sometimes yields capital trouting, and sends off a streamlet 1½ miles SSW to the South Esk.

Branksome. See BRANXHOLM.

Branny, a burn in Lochlee parish, Forfarshire. It rises among the Grampians, at 2400 feet above sea-level, close to the Aberdeenshire boundary; runs 4½ miles southward to the vicinity of Lochlee church; and unites there with the Mark and the Lee to form the North Esk.

Brantheth, a place, with a sandstone quarry and a mineral spring, in Kirkpatrick-Fleming parish, Dumfriesshire. The sandstone of the quarry is of a white colour, occasionally mixed with yellow. The water of the spring is strongly sulphureous, and has been very successfully used in scrofulous and scorbutic cases.

Branxholm, a mansion, formerly a feudal castle, in Hawick parish, Roxburghshire, in the valley of the Teviot, 3 miles SW of Hawick town. One-half of the ancient barony connected with it came into possession of the Scotts of Buccleuch in the reign of James I, the other half in that of James II. The feudal castle was of various dates, underwent great vicissitudes, and figures in traditions, tales, and ballads enough to fill a volume. 'Only a very small part of the original building remains; it is a large, strong house, old, but not ancient in its appearance'—so Dorothy Wordsworth described in 1803 the present edifice, which yet retains one old square corner tower of enormous strength—and which has for upwards of a century been the residence of the Duke of

Buccleuch's chamberlain. Its site is a gentle eminence not far from the river, at a narrow sudden curve of the glen, in full command of all the approach above and below. The ancient castle was burned in 1532 by the Earl of Northumberland; was blown up with gunpowder in 1570, during the Earl of Surrey's invasion; and was rebuilt in 1571-74, partly by the Sir Walter Scott of that period, partly by his widow. It was long the residence of the Scotts, the master-fort of a great surrounding district, the keep of Upper Teviotdale, the key of the pass between the Tweed basin and Cumberland, the centre of princely Border power, the scene of high baronial festivity, and the focus of fierce, hereditary, feudal warfare. Most of its proprietors, in their successive times, till the close of the conflicts between Scotland and England, kept so large a body of armed retainers, and rode out with them so often across the frontier, as not only well to hold their own within Scotland but to enrich themselves with English spoil. How vividly does the great modern bard of their name and clan describe 'the nine-and-twenty knights of fame' who 'hung their shields in Branxholm Hall,' their stalwart followers in the foray, their gay attendance at the banquet, and their stern discipline and rigid ward, in maintaining one-third of their force in constant readiness to spring upon the prey—

'Ten of them were sheathed in steel,
With helted sword and spur on heel;
They quitted not their harness bright
Neither by day nor yet by night.
Ten squires, ten yeomen, mail-clad men,
Waited the beck of the warders ten.
Thirty steeds both fleet and weight,
Stood saddled in stable day and night,
Barbed with frontlet of steel, I trow,
And with Jedwood axe at saddle bow;
A hundred more fed free in stall:
Such was the custom of Branxholm Hall.'

Brany. See BRANDY and BRANNY.

Brassay. See BRESSAY.

Brawl. See BRAAL.

Breacacha, a bay in the S of Coll island, Argyllshire. It runs about a mile into the land, and affords tolerable anchorage in summer. The small verdant islet of Soay lies in its mouth; and the mansion of the principal landholder of Coll stands at its head.

Breacdearg, a dreary loch in Urquhart parish, Inverness-shire. Lying on the western shoulder of Meal-fourvonnie, at 1750 feet above sea-level, 1¼ mile from the western shore of Loch Ness, it measures 6 by 1½ furlongs, and abounds in trout about ½ lb. each.

Breadalbane, a district of NW Perthshire. Bounded N by Lochaber and Athole, S by Strathearn and Menteth, and W by Knapdale, Lorn, and Lochaber, it measures about 33 miles in length, and 31 in breadth. It is prevalently mountainous, including great ranges of the Grampians; it is ribbed, from W to E, by Glenrannoch, Glenlyon, Glendochart, Upper Strathay, and some minor glens; it contains Loch Rannoch, Loch Lyon, Loch Tay, and part of Loch Eriocht; it culminates, on the N side of Loch Tay, in Ben Lawers; and, in its mountain regions, particularly on Ben Lawers, it is surpassingly rich in alpine flora. It gives the title of Earl (1677) in the peerage of Scotland, and of Baron (1873) in that of the United Kingdom, to a branch of the ancient family of Campbell; and it gave the title of Marquis to the fourth and fifth Earls. Sir John Campbell was created Earl of Caithness in 1677; but, in 1681, on that title being pronounced by parliament to be vested in George Sinclair, Campbell was made Earl of Breadalbane, with precedence according to the patent of his first earldom. John, the fourth Earl, was created Marquis of Breadalbane in 1831; but the marquise became extinct at the death of the second Marquis in 1862. It was revived in 1885 in favour of the seventh Earl. The Marquis of Breadalbane's seats are Taymouth Castle, Glenfalloeh, and Achmore House in Perthshire, Blackmount and Armadilly Castle in Argyllshire; and he is the third largest landowner in Scotland, holding 437,696 acres. From 2 miles E of Taybridge in Perthshire his estate extends to Easdale in Argyllshire, measuring 100

miles in length by from 3 to 15 in breadth; and is interrupted only by the occurrence of three or four properties on one side of a valley or glen, the other side of which belongs to the Breadalbane estate. The Earl of Breadalbane, in 1792-94, raised two fencible regiments comprising 2300 men, of whom 1600 were obtained from the estate of Breadalbane alone. A presbytery of the Free church bears the name of Breadalbane; and is in the synod of Perth and Stirling; and has churches at Aberfeldy, Ardeonaig, Fortingal, Glenlyon, Kenmore, Killin, Lawers, Logierait, Strathfillan, and Tummel-bridge, and a mission station at Amulree, which together had 2264 members and adherents in 1891.

Breakachy, a burn in Laggan parish, Inverness-shire. It is a trivial runnel in dry weather, but becomes a voluminous and destructive torrent after a few hours of heavy rain.

Breakish, a hamlet in Strath parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, with a post office under Broadford. A public school at it, with accommodation for 82, had (1891) an average attendance of 82, and a grant of £92, 16s.

Breaslet, a village in Uig parish, Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire. Pop. (1881) 352, (1891) 374.

Brechin, a royal and parliamentary burgh and a parish of E Forfarshire. The town stands on the left or northern bank of the South Esk, here spanned by an ancient two-arched bridge, and by road is $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Montrose and $12\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Forfar, whilst, as terminus of a branch of the Caledonian, it is 4 miles W by N of Bridge of Dun Junction, $9\frac{1}{2}$ WNW of Montrose, $45\frac{1}{2}$ SSW of Aberdeen, $19\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Forfar, $51\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Perth, $102\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Edinburgh, and 111 NE of Glasgow. 'As an old Episcopal seat, Brechin' (to quote from Dr Guthrie's Memoir), 'is entitled by courtesy to the designation of a "city," but, apart from its memorials of the past, the interior aspect of the place has little to distinguish it from any other Scotch burgh of its size. With Brechin, as with more important places, it is distance that lends enchantment to the view. Seen from the neighbouring heights, owing to its remarkable situation, it is picturesquely distinctive, almost unique. A very steep,* winding street, a mile in length, conducts the visitor from the higher portion of the town to the river South Esk; and when he has crossed the bridge, and ascended some way the opposite bank, let him turn round, and he can scarce fail to be struck by the scene before him. The town seems to hang upon the sunny slope of a fertile wooded valley; the river, widening above the bridge into a broad expanse of deep still water, reflects in its upper reaches the ancient trees which fringe the precipitous rock on which Brechin Castle stands, fit home for a feudal baron; while immediately to the right of the castle, and on still higher elevation, rise the grey spires of the Cathedral and the adjoining Round Tower. The middle distance is occupied by the town itself, descending, roof below roof, to the green meadow which borders the stream; and, for background, some 10 miles to the N, rises the long blue range of the Grampians.'

Brechin appears first early in the reign of Kenneth Mac Malcolm (971-95), who 'gave the great city to the Lord,' founding a church here dedicated to the Holy Trinity—a monastery seemingly after the Irish model, combined with a Culdee college. We hear of it next in two charters of David I. to the church of Deer, the first one witnessed in 1132 by Leot, abbot, and the second in 1163 by Samson, bishop, of Brechin, so that between these dates—most probably about 1150—the abbot appears to have become the bishop, the abbacy passing to lay hereditary abbots, and the Culdees being first conjoined with, next (1218) distinguished from, and lastly (1248) entirely superseded by, the chapter.—Skene's *Celtic Scotland*, vol. ii. (1877), pp. 332, 400. The annals of the see are uneventful; in those of the town one striking episode is the three weeks' defence of the castle against Edward I. in 1303 by Sir Thomas Maule, whose death from a missile was followed by the

garrison's surrender. In the 'Battle of Brechin' (13 May 1452), fought near the Hare Cairn in Logie-pert parish, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of the town, the Earl of Huntly defeated Crawford's rebellion against James II.; at the town itself, on 5 July 1572, Sir Adam Gordon of Auchindoun, Queen Mary's partisan, surprised a party of her son's adherents. The bishop, in 1637, resolved to read Laud's Service book, so 'one Sunday,' by Baillie's account, 'when other feeble cowards couched, he went to the pulpit with his pistols, his servants, and, as the report goes, his wife with weapons. He closed the doors and read his service. But when he was done, he could scarce get to his house—all hocked about him; and had he not fled, he might have been killed. Since, he durst never try that play over again.' In 1645 the place was plundered by Montrose, who burned about sixty houses; in 1715, James VIII. was proclaimed at it by James, fourth Earl of Panmure and Baron Maule of Brechin and Navar. The forfeited Panmure estates, including Brechin Castle, were bought back in 1764 by Wm. Maule, Earl of Panmure and Forth; and on his death in 1782 they passed to his nephew, Geo. Ramsay, eighth Earl of DALHOUSIE, whose descendant, Arth. Geo. Maule Ramsay (b. 1878), succeeded as fourteenth Earl in 1887.

The list of its worthies is long for Brechin's size, including—Thos. Dempster (1579-1625), Latinist and historian; doubtfully, Gawin Douglas (1474-1522), the poet-bishop of Dunkeld; Jn. Gillics, LL.D. (1747-1836), historian of Ancient Greece; Thos. Guthrie, D.D. (1803-73), philanthropist and preacher; Wm. Guthrie (1701-70), compiler of histories; David Low (1768-1855), Bishop of Ross, and last of the Jacobite clergy; Wm. Maitland (1693-1757), historian of London and Edinburgh; Prof. Jn. Pringle Nichol (1804-59), astronomer; Geo. Rose (1744-1818), statesman; Colvin Smith, R.S.A. (1795-1875), portrait painter; Jas. Tytler (1747-1803), hack-writer and editor of the *Encyc. Britannica*; his brother, Hy. Wm. Tytler, M.D. (1752-1808), translator of Callimachus; and David Watson (1710-56), translator of Horace. At Brechin, too, died Wm. Guthrie (1620-65), Covenanting confessor, and author of the *Trial of a Saving Interest in Christ*, who lies within the old Cathedral church; and the Rev. Geo. Gillfillan (1813-78), author and lecturer. Two of its ministers were Jn. Willison (1680-1750), author of *Sacramental Meditations*, and Jas. Fordyce (1720-96), poet and author of *Sermons to Young Women*; among its bishops was Alexander Penrose Forbes (1817-75).

Brechin's chief relics of antiquity are its Round Tower and Cathedral. The latter, founded about 1150, and added to at various periods, was once a plain cruciform structure, comprising an aisleless choir ($84\frac{1}{2}$ feet long), pure early First Pointed in style, N and S transepts, and an aisled, five-bayed nave (114×58 feet), in late First Pointed mixed with Second Pointed, thereto belonging the NW tower and the large four-light window—almost Flamboyant in character—over the W arched doorway. The 'improvements' of 1806-8 reduced the choir to 30 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet, demolished the transepts, and rebuilt the aisles, roofing them flush with the nave, so that little is left now of the original building but the octagonal and clustered piers, the W front, corbie-gabled, and the broad, square, five-storied tower, which, with a NE belfry-turret, and a low, octagonal, dormer-windowed spire, has a total height of 128 feet, and was built by Bishop Patrick (1351-73). Attached to the SW angle of the Cathedral stands the Round Tower, like but superior to that of Abernethy. From a round, square-edged plinth, it rises to a height of 86 $\frac{1}{2}$, or, including the later conical stone roof, 101 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet; and it is perfectly circular throughout, tapering regularly from an internal diameter of 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet at the base to one of 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet at the top, whilst the wall's thickness also diminishes from 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet. It is built, in sixty irregular courses, of blocks of reddish-grey sandstone, dressed to the curve, but squared at neither top nor bottom; within, string-courses divide it into seven stories, the topmost lighted by four largish apertures facing the cardinal points. A western doorway, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet from the ground, has inclined

* The rise from the south-eastern to the northern outskirts of the town, a distance of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, is 222 feet, viz., from 94 to 316 feet above sea-level.

jamb and a semicircular head, all three hewn from single blocks, and the arch being rudely sculptured with a crucifix, each jamb with a bishop bearing a pastoral staff, and each corner of the sill with a nondescript crouching animal. The 'handsome bells,' that Pennant found here in 1772, were two most likely of the three now hung in the neighbouring steeple. Such is this graceful tower, dating presumably from Kenneth's reign (971-95), and so a memorial of Brechin's early connection with Ireland. (See ABERNETHY, and the authorities there cited.) An hospital, the *Maison Dieu*, was founded in 1264 by William de Brechin in connection with the cathedral; and its chapel is a pure First Pointed fragment, consisting of the S elevation and a small portion of the E wall, with a good doorway and three single-light, finely-moulded lancets. No scrap remains of the ancient city wall and ports; and the primitive features of the castle have nearly all been absorbed in reconstructions, which make it appear an irregular mansion of the 17th century, with a fine square tower and two round angle ones. Its library contains Burns' correspondence with George Thompson, the Chartularies of Brechin, St Andrews, etc.; the gem of its paintings is Honhorst's original portrait of the great Marquis of Montrose. The Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh stayed here in Aug. 1881.

To come to the town itself, Brechin has a post office, with money order, savings bank, telegraph, and insurance departments, branches of the British Linen Co., Clydesdale, National, Royal, and Union banks, a National Security savings bank, a cemetery, gas-works, numerous inns and hotels, a public washing-house, an infirmary (1869; cost, £1900), bowling, curling, and other clubs, Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, horticultural and literary societies, and *The Brechin Advertiser* (Independent), published every Tuesday morning. The town-hall, mainly rebuilt in 1789, is a respectable edifice; the Episcopal diocesan library, founded by Bishop Forbes, contains an extensive and valuable collection of books; but the chief modern building is the Mechanics' Institute, a Tudor pile, with a central clock-tower 80 or 90 feet high, a lecture room seating 450 persons, and a library of 4000 volumes. It was erected in 1838 at the sole cost of Lord Panmure, who further endowed it with £40 per annum, and gave to it several interesting portraits. A new Public Library was built in 1892, £5000 having been gifted by an anonymous donor for this purpose. A public park of 8½ acres was opened near the town in 1867; and Trinity Muir, a mile to the N, forms a capital recreation ground. The water supply, provided in 1871 by the paper-mill company for a stipulated payment of £250 a-year, proved insufficient; so, in 1874, a fresh supply was introduced from the Grampians, at a cost of £15,000, estimated to afford 40 gallons per head of the population per day. This paper-mill and the flax-mills and linen factories employ a large number of hands, the manufacture of osanburgs, brown linen, and sailcloth having long been largely carried on. Thanks to improved machinery, the weaving that lately all was done by hand is now mostly done by power-looms in factories. The East Mill, large to start with, is described to-day as 'monstrous in its magnitude'; there are also extensive bleachfields, distilleries, a brewery, saw-mills, nurseries, a rope work, and the Denburn machine works.

The seat of a presbytery, Brechin possesses two Established churches—the Cathedral, divided into two charges (first charge £389; second, £417, both with manse), and East or City Road Church (860 sittings; stipend, £237). The latter, a cruciform building, with a spire 80 feet high, was erected for £1500 in 1836, and, after belonging to the Free Church from the Disruption to 1856, was made a *quoad sacra* parochial church in 1874. It was resited and improved at a cost of £1000 in 1890. Other places of worship are 2 Free churches, East and West; 3 U.P. churches, City Road, *Maisondieu* (for which a handsome new church was erected in 1891 at a cost of about £6000), and Bank Street (1876; 650 sittings; cost, £4000); and an Evangelical Union chapel. The old St Andrew's Scotch Episcopal church was, in

1888, purchased by the Roman Catholics, and is now known as the Church of the Holy Trinity. The new Episcopal Church, which cost between £6000 and £7000, was opened by the bishop in 1888. Five public schools, under the burgh board, are Bank Street, Union Street, Damacre Road, the Tenements, and the High School, the last erected in 1876 at a cost of £2519. With total accommodation for 2137 children, these 5 had (1891) an average attendance of 1526, and grants amounting to £1479, 16s. 9d.

Brechin, created a royal burgh by charter of Charles I. (1641), adopted the General Police and Improvement Act prior to 1871, and is governed by a provost, 2 bailies, a dean of guild, a treasurer, an hospital master, and 7 councillors, and by a body of police commissioners, whilst, with MONTROSE, ARBROATH, FORFAR, and BERVIE, it returns one member to parliament. There are 6 incorporated trades (hammersmen, glovers, bakers, shoemakers, weavers, and tailors) and a guildry incorporation. Police courts sit every Wednesday, justice of peace small debt courts on the first Wednesday of every month, and sheriff small debt courts on the third Tuesday of Jan., March, May, July, Sept., and Nov. The police force, 7 strong, cost £629 in 1891. Tuesday is market-day; and fairs are held upon Trinity Muir for cattle on the third Wednesday of April, for sheep, cattle, and horses on the second Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of June (this being one of the largest fairs in Scotland), the second Thursday of August, and the Tuesday before the last Wednesday of September. Burgh valuation (1881) £26,517, 7s. 4d., (1891) £28,378, 2s. 10d. Corporation revenue (1891) £1884. Parliamentary constituency (1891) 1174; municipal, 1668. Pop. of royal burgh (1871) 5083, (1891) 5139; of parliamentary burgh (1871) 7959, (1881) 9031, (1891) 8955.

The parish of Brechin contains also the villages of Trinity and Little Brechin, 1¼ mile N by E, and 2¼ miles NNW, of the town. Rudely resembling a spread eagle in outline, it is bounded N and NE by Straathro, E by Dun, SE and S by Farnell, SW by Aberlemno, W by Careston, and NW by Menmuir. Its length from E to W varies between 1¼ and 6½ miles, its breadth from N to S between 2 and 4½ miles; and its land area is 14,313 acres. The South Esk here winds 7½ miles eastward—first 1¼ along the Careston and Aberlemno boundary, next 3½ through the interior, then 1½ on the Farnell border—and descends in this course from about 130 to 20 feet above sea-level, flowing partly between high rocky banks, partly through low and often flooded flats. From it the surface rises gently northward to 419 feet at Craigend of Careston, 370 near Killiehair Stone, 200 near Kintorekat House, 316 and 290 on Trinity Muir, 266 at Leuchland, and 330 at Leightonbill—southward, more steeply, to 318 feet near AULDBAR castle and 407 on Burghill, opposite the town. The prevailing rock is Old Red sandstone; and sandstone is quarried, and limestone calcined, the latter containing veins of calcareous spar, with occasional crystals of sulphate of barytes. The soil is fertile on most of the arable lands, these comprising about three-fifths of the entire area, and plantations covering nearly one-fifth more. The principal mansions, with owners and the extent and yearly value of their estates within the shire, are—Brechin Castle (Earl of Dalhousie, 136,602 acres, £55,602); Ardovie House, 3 miles S by W of the town (Hy. Speid, 1005 acres, £1291); and Keithcock House, 3 miles N (Mr Morton, 645 acres, £1304). In all, 9 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 17 of between £100 and £500, 33 of from £50 to £100, and 93 of from £20 to £50. Three schools, under the landward board, Little Brechin, Auldbar, and Arrat, with respective accommodation for 100, 73, and 56 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 81, 76, and 42, and grants of £75, 11s., £85, 18s., and £31, 15s. 6d. Valuation of landward portion £20,854, 18s. 4d., of which £1289 was for the railway. Pop., with burgh, (1755) 3181, (1801) 5466, (1811) 5559, (1831) 6508, (1851) 8210, (1871) 9514, (1881) 10,499, (1891) 10,453.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 57, 1868.

The presbytery of Brechin comprehends Brechin and

East Church (*q. s.*), Careston, Craig, Dun, Edzell, Farnell, Fearn, Hillside (*q. s.*), Lethnot-Navar, Lochlee, Logiepert, Maryton, Melville (*q. s.*), Monmuir, Montrose, and Straeathro. Pop. (1891) 32,813, of whom 8149 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in that year, the sums raised by the above 17 congregations amounting to £3027. The Free Church has also a presbytery of Brechin, with 11 churches—2 at Brechin, Craig, Edzell, Lochlee, Logiepert, Maryton, Monmuir, and 3 at Montrose; and these together had 3613 communicants in 1891. The Episcopal Church, too, has a diocese of Brechin, with 30 churches or chapels and missions—Arbroath, Arbutnot, Auchmithie, Brechin, Broughty Ferry (the bishop's residence), Carnoustie, Catterline, Cove, Cowie, Drumithie, Drumtochty Castle, 7 at Dundee, Fasque, Fordoun, Glencarse, Invergowrie, Laurencekirk, Lochee, Lochlee, Montrose, Muchalls, Stonehaven, the Knapp, and Torry.

See D. Black's *History of Brechin: Billings' Baronial and Ecclesiastical Antiquities of Scotland*; the *Registrum Episcopatus de Brechin* (Bannatyne Club); the *Autobiography and Memoir of Thomas Guthrie*; Dr Wm. Marshall's *Historic Scenes in Forfarshire*; and D. H. Edward's *Pocket History and Guide to Brechin and District*.

Breckness. See BRACKNESS.

Breckon, a hill, 603 feet above sea-level, in the E of St Mungo parish, Dumfriesshire, flanking the Water of Milk, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Loekerbie.

Breckry, a burn and a glen in Southend parish, Argyllshire. The burn rises on Knoekmoy, and traverses the glen south-eastward to Carskey Bay, 4 miles E by N of the Mull of Kintyre.

Breckry, a village in the W of the Isle of Skye, Argyllshire. Its post-town is Kilmuir under Portree.

Brecon, a voe or bay in North Yell, Shetland.

Breconbeds. See ANNAN.

Breda, a quaint, pleasant old mansion, on the left bank of the Leochel, 3 miles W of Alford village, Aberdeenshire. Its owner, Wm. M'Lean, Esq., holds 1761 acres in the shire, valued at £929 per annum.

Brediland, an estate, with a mansion, in Abbey parish, Renfrewshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Paisley. A pottery, for the manufacture of coarse earthenware, is on the estate.

Bredisholm, an estate, with a mansion, in Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, on the North Calder's right bank, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Coatbridge. Its owner, Mrs Muirhead, holds 1077 acres in the shire, valued at £7620 (£5471 minerals).

Breich, a rivulet of Lanark, Linlithgow, and Edinburgh shires. It rises in Cambusnethan parish, Lanarkshire, receiving there the Lingore, Kitchon, Darnead, and Leadloch burns; and, passing soon out of Lanarkshire, proceeds about $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles east-north-eastward, along the boundary between Linlithgow and Edinburgh shires, till it falls into the Almond, 2 miles E by N of Blackburn. Places called Breichdyke, Wester Breich, Mid-Breich, and Easter Breich, are on its left side, within Whitburn parish, Linlithgowshire, near its influx to the Almond; and also in Whitburn is Breich station, on the Cleland section of the Caledonian railway, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S of West Calder station, serving for Longrigg.

Brenaheggleish or Braigh na h-Eaglaise, a summit, 1387 feet above sea-level, in Latheron parish, S Caithness, 3 miles N of Ord of Caithness.

Brenister, a village in Shetland, 4 miles from its post-town Lerwick.

Brieriach. See BRAERIAICH.

Bressay, an island, a sound, and a parish in the W of Shetland. The island lies along the E side of the sound, between Noss island and the Shetland mainland; is, in its central part, exactly opposite Lerwick; has a post office under Lerwick; and measures nearly 6 miles in length from N to S, and from 1 to 3 miles in breadth. Its coast is rocky, and its surface indented, tumulated, and otherwise diversified. Ander Hill on its E side, and Beacon Hill near its southern extremity, are its highest grounds—the former a ridge of at least 400 feet in altitude, the latter a somewhat conical summit of 724 feet. Some caverns perforate its coast; and one of

them admits a boat for a considerable distance, but has never been thoroughly explored. Several natural arches also are in the southern part of the coast, and can be traversed by boats in favourable weather; one of them is called the Giant's Leg. Old Red sandstone is the prevailing rock; and, in the form of flag and roofing stone, is quarried for exportation. An ancient standing stone is in the interior, and serves as a landmark to ships approaching the sound. There likewise are remains of several ancient chapels. On 23 Aug. 1879 the ill-fated *Atalanta* training-ship stranded on Bressay island, but was got off the morning following. The sound is co-extensive in length with the island; has a medium width of fully a mile; affords, in most parts, excellent anchorage; serves, in its west centre, as the harbour of Lerwick; is so screened, from part to part, by little headlands and by windings of the coast on either side, as to enjoy ample shelter; possesses the advantage of being easily accessible at both ends; and has a lighthouse erected in 1858 at a cost of £5163, and showing every minute a red and white revolving light, visible at the distance of 15 nautical miles. A sunken rock, called the Unicorn, lies on the outside of its N entrance. The ancient parish of Bressay comprised the island of Bressay and the surrounding islets on the east side of the mainland; and the modern parish until 1891 comprehended also the ancient parishes of Burra (with the islets on the west side of the mainland) and Quarff. In that year the Boundary Commissioners disjoined the ancient parishes of Burra and Quarff from the parish of Bressay and annexed them to the parish of Lerwick. Bressay parish now consists of the following islands:—Bressay (6918 acres), Noss (762), Inner and Outer Score (36), and four small islands (22). There are six principal proprietors. In the presbytery of Lerwick and synod of Shetland, Bressay is divided ecclesiastically into a parish of its own name (living, £195) and the *quoad sacra* parish of Quarff and Burra (£120). Bressay church (370 sittings) was built in 1815, and that of Quarff (320 sittings) in 1829. Bressay public school, with accommodation for 145 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 110, and a grant of £134, 13s. Pop. (1871) 1854, (1881) 1768, (1891) 1789.

Brewhead, a village near Dundee, in Forfarshire.

Brewlands, a mansion in Glenisla parish, W Forfarshire, on the right bank of the Isla, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of Kirkton of Glenisla. It is a seat of Jas. Small, Esq. of Dirnanean, owner in Forfarshire of 10,300 acres, valued at £1889 per annum.

Briarachan, a rivulet of Monlin parish, Perthshire. It rises on the NE side of Ben Vraekie; receives affluents from the S side of Benviroch; runs altogether about 6 miles, mainly eastward, along Glen Briarachan; and unites with the Fearnach to form the Airdle.

Brichty. See BRIGHTY.

Brick-Kiln, a hamlet in the parish and 1 mile from the village of Canonbie, SE Dumfriesshire.

Briedekirk, a village in ANNAN and Hoddam parishes, and a *quoad sacra* parish, partly also in Cummertrees parish, S Dumfriesshire. The village stands on the right bank of the Annan, 3 miles NNW of Annan, and has a post office under that town, a three-arched bridge, a saw-mill, a corn-mill, and a public school. Pop. (1881) 309, (1891) 318. The parish had a population in 1881 of 702, in 1891 720; and it is in the presbytery of Annan and synod of Dumfries. Stipend, £200. The church was built in 1835, entirely at the expense of Mrs Diron of Mount-Annan and her friends, and contains 3700 sittings.

Bride's Burn, a burn in Renfrewshire, rising in the S of Killbarachan parish, and running about 2 miles southward, partly along the boundary with Lochwinnoch, to the Black Cart, at its efflux from Castle-Semple Loch.

Bridesness, a headland in the SE of North Ronaldshay island, Orkney.

Bridgycastle, an estate, with a mansion, an ancient castle, a hamlet, and a colliery in Torphichen parish, Linlithgowshire. The mansion stands near the Black-

stone and Boghead section of the Monkland railway, 2½ miles NW of Bathgate, and has around it some fine old trees. The ancient castle stands in the south-western vicinity of the mansion; was formerly the seat of the Earls of Linlithgow; and as to its mere walls, remains in nearly its original condition. The hamlet lies about ½ mile SSW of the mansion.

Bridgefoot, a village on the SW border of Forfarshire. Its post-town is Auchterhouse under Dundee.

Bridgefoot, a village in the NE of Bandshire. Its post-town is Whitehills under Banff.

Bridgegate. See GLASGOW.

Bridgehouse, a hamlet in Torphichen parish, Linlithgowshire, 2½ miles NW of Bathgate.

Bridgend, a suburb of Dumbarton, on the eastern verge of Cardross parish, Dumbartonshire, on the right bank of the river Leven. See DUMBARTON.

Bridgend, a village in Dalkeith parish, Edinburghshire, on the North Esk river, ¼ mile N of Dalkeith town.

Bridgend, a village in Dunse parish, Berwickshire, near the S side of Dunse town, and separated from it by a bog which formerly was impassable.

Bridgend, a hamlet in Melrose parish, Roxburghshire, adjacent to the bridge over the Tweed, about a mile W of Melrose town. An ancient bridge of curious construction stood here; is said to have been built by David I., to facilitate communication with Melrose Abbey; and half-way across it had a tower, containing a bridge-keeper's residence.

Bridgend, an eastern suburb of Perth, in Kinnoull parish, on the left bank of the Tay. Here lived the paternal aunt of Mr Ruskin. 'She had,' he writes, 'a garden full of gooseberry bushes, sloping down to the Tay, with a door opening to the water, which ran past it clear-brown over the pebbles 3 or 4 feet deep; an infinite thing for a child to look down into.' See KINNOULL and L'ERTH.

Bridgend, an ancient village, now absorbed in Maxwelltown, in Troqueer parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, on the right bank of the river Nith, immediately suburban to Dumfries. See MAXWELLTOWN.

Bridgend, a village in Muthil parish, Perthshire, on the right bank of the river Earn, adjacent to the town of Crieff.

Bridgend, a village in Ceres parish, Fife, on the left bank of Ceres burn, adjacent to the NW end of Ceres old town, and 2 miles SE of Cupar.

Bridgend, a village in Ruthven parish, Forfarshire, on the river Isla, adjacent to Perthshire, 2½ miles E of Alyth.

Bridgend, a hamlet in Lintathen parish, Forfarshire, on Back Water, 6 miles W by N of Kirriemuir.

Bridgend. See ALNESS and ROSSKEEN.

Bridgend, a village in Kilarrow parish, island of Islay, Argyllshire, at the northern extremity of Loch Indal, 3 miles NNE of Bowmore, and 8½ SW of Port Askaig. It has a post office with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; and it communicates by omnibus with steamers from Glasgow to Port Askaig and Port Ellen.

Bridgend, a hamlet in Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire, on the river Calder, ¼ mile NNW of Lochwinnoch village. An ancient bridge, with a very fine arch, crosses the Calder at it; and, originally very narrow, was widened in 1814.

Bridgend, a hamlet in Kilmorack parish, Invernessshire, on the river Beauly, adjacent to Beauly village.

Bridgend, a hamlet in Legerwood parish, Berwickshire, on the river Leader, adjacent to Roxburghshire, 3½ miles SSE of Lauder.

Bridgend. See KILBERNIE.

Bridgend or **Afton-Bridgend**, a village in New Cumnock parish, Ayrshire, on Afton Water, at its influx to the Nith, adjacent to Cumnock village.

Bridgend or **Kendrochad**, a hamlet in Kenmore parish, Perthshire.

Bridgend, **Hyndford**, a hamlet in Lanark parish, Lanarkshire, on the right bank of the river Clyde, 2½

miles SE of Lanark town. A modern elegant bridge here spans the Clyde.

Bridgend, **Old**, a village in Galston parish, Ayrshire.

Bridgeness, a village in Carriden parish, Linlithgowshire, on the coast, 1 mile E of Borrowstounness. During the erection of iron-smelting furnaces here in April 1868 a very fine Roman sculptured slab was discovered, fixing the eastern termination of Antoninus' Wall.

Bridge of Allan, etc. See ALLAN, BRIDGE OF, etc.

Bridgeton, a village in Redgorton parish, Perthshire, on the river Almond, near Almondbank. Remains of an ancient tumuli and of a Roman camp are in its vicinity.

Bridgeton, an estate, with a mansion, in the NE of St Cyrus parish, S Kincardineshire, 1¼ mile NE of Larrieston station.

Bridgeton, a parliamentary division and a registration district of the city of Glasgow, and a *quoad sacra* parish in Calton parish, Lanarkshire. It forms part of the east end of Glasgow, lies between Calton on the NW and Barrowfield on the SE; and takes its name from a bridge at its SE end, over the Clyde, on the road to Rutherglen. Adjoining on its SW side the north-eastern part of Glasgow Green, it comprises numerous streets, mostly crossing one another at right angles; has at Bridge-ton Cross an elegant, decagonal, cast-iron pavilion, with surmounting clock tower 50 feet high, erected in 1875; contains many cotton factories and other public works; and is traversed by street tramways. A handsome station at the terminus of the City Union line stands near the Cross, as also one on the Central Underground line. The *quoad sacra* parish is in the presbytery of Glasgow and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. Stipend, £360. Pop. of parliamentary division, (1891) 81,396; of registration district, 44,342. See GLASGOW.

Brieich. See BREICH.

Briham. See BIRGHAM.

Brighton, a village, with a public school, in Cupar parish, Fife, on the Edinburgh and Dundee section of the North British railway, 1¼ mile SSW of Cupar.

Brightons, a village in Polmont parish, Stirlingshire, adjacent to the Union Canal, and near Polmont station, ¾ mile SW of Polmont village. Sandstone is quarried in its vicinity.

Brighty, a village in Murroes parish, Forfarshire, 6½ miles NNW of Dundee.

Brighty, a burn in Glenisla parish, Forfarshire, rising near the meeting-point with Aberdeenshire and Perthshire, and running 4½ miles southward and east-south-eastward, along a mountain glen, to the nascent Isla river.

Brig o' Tram, a natural arch on the coast of the southern part of Wick parish, Caithness.

Brighton, a hill in Kinnettles parish, Forfarshire. It belongs to the Sidlaw group, but is detached or isolated; and has an elliptical outline and flattish top. It is all under cultivation, except a very few acres on its brow, and even there is clothed with wood; and it forms a beautiful feature in a considerable extent of landscape, rising to an altitude of 543 feet above sea-level, and commanding a grand, extensive, panoramic view.

Brimness, a small headland in Thurso parish, Caithness, 4 miles SW by W of Holburn Head.

Brindister, a voe or bay and a village in Sandsting parish, Shetland. The voe is flanked at the mouth by a headland of its own name; forms a fine open boat harbour; penetrates the land several miles south-westward; and, in its upper part, is called Unifirth. The village stands near the voe's mouth.

Brindy, the westward part of the lofty ridge which divides the district of Garioch from the Vale of Alford, in Aberdeenshire.

Brisbane, an estate, with a mansion, in Largs parish, Ayrshire. The mansion stands amid picturesque grounds, in a fine glen, 1¼ mile N by E of Largs town; and is the seat of Chas. Thos. Brisbane (b. 1844; suc. 1860), owner of 6933 acres, valued at £2050 per annum.

Brishneal, a hill in Bracadale parish, Isle of Skye, Invernessshire. It is situated on the coast, behind

Talisker; it has a circular shape and a basaltic formation; it greatly resembles the Scur of Eig, both in its form and in its columnar and reticulated features; it rises to an altitude of about 800 feet above sea-level; and it commands a magnificent view of the Storr, the Cuchullin Mountains, and a great extent of the Inverness-shire Hebrides.

Eristo. See EDINBURGH.

Brittle or Bheataal, a triangular sea-loch in the Miniginish district of Bracadale parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. It enters 12 miles SE of the mouth of Loch Bracadale; is flanked on the SE by Duan Point; is 3 miles long and 2 wide; and receives at its head a stream of its own name.

Broad Bay, a sea-inlet of Stornoway parish, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire, between the mainland of Lewis and the Aird. Extending south-westward, it measures 8 miles in length, and has a somewhat triangular outline, measuring $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles wide across the chord, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile thence to its inmost recess. The burn runs 5 miles north-north-eastward to the head of the bay, contains good store of trout, and is frequented by salmon. The village stands at the burn's mouth, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Kyle Akin Ferry; and is described by Mr Black in *Madcap Violet* 'as a little cluster of white houses, with a brilliant show of dahlias and a dark-green line of trees, right behind which rise the great red granite shoulders of Ben-na-Cailleach.' At it are a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, an hotel, the parish church (1841; 900 sittings), a Free church, a Baptist chapel, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 132 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 100, and a grant of £107, 19s. 6d. Cattle fairs are held on the Thursday after the last Tuesday of May, and the Thursday after the third Tuesday of August, September, and November. Broadford has about sixty boats engaged in the fishing.

Broad Chapel, an estate in Lochmaben parish, Dumfriesshire.

Broadfield, an estate, with a handsome modern mansion, in Kilmalcolm parish, Renfrewshire.

Broadford, a manufacturing locality in Old Machar parish, Aberdeenshire, suburban to Aberdeen.

Broadford, a bay, a burn, and a village of Strath parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. The bay confronts the entrance of Loch Carron; is screened at its mouth by Pabba island, and has a somewhat triangular outline, measuring $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles wide across the chord, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile thence to its inmost recess. The burn runs 5 miles north-north-eastward to the head of the bay, contains good store of trout, and is frequented by salmon. The village stands at the burn's mouth, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Kyle Akin Ferry; and is described by Mr Black in *Madcap Violet* 'as a little cluster of white houses, with a brilliant show of dahlias and a dark-green line of trees, right behind which rise the great red granite shoulders of Ben-na-Cailleach.' At it are a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, an hotel, the parish church (1841; 900 sittings), a Free church, a Baptist chapel, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 132 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 100, and a grant of £107, 19s. 6d. Cattle fairs are held on the Thursday after the last Tuesday of May, and the Thursday after the third Tuesday of August, September, and November. Broadford has about sixty boats engaged in the fishing.

Broadhaven, a small bay and a fishing village in Wick parish, Caithness, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Wick town. Veins of copper ore, and strong appearance of alum rock, are in the vicinity.

Broadhill. See ABERDEEN.

Broad Law, a mountain at the meeting-point of Drum-melzier, Lyne, and Tweedsmuir parishes, Peebleshire, $12\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Peebles. It belongs to the Hartfell group; it sends off early affluents to the Megget and the Tweed; it is of easy ascent, and clothed with rich herbage; it rises to an altitude of 2723 feet above sea-level; and it commands a sublime prospect, from the English Border to the German Ocean.

Broadlee, a farm in Robertson parish, Roxburghshire, near the Selkirkshire boundary, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Hawick. On it, 906 feet above sea-level, is a prehistoric fort, in a state of comparatively good preservation.

Broadley, a village in Enzie *quoad supra* parish, Bauffshire.

Broadley, a seat of manufacture near Neilston village, in Neilston parish, Renfrewshire.

Broadmeadows, an estate, with a mansion, in Hutton parish, Berwickshire. The mansion stands on the right side of the Whitadder, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Chirnside; and is a modern edifice, of very fine white sandstone, and in the Grecian style.

Broadmeadows, an estate, with a mansion, in Selkirk parish, Selkirkshire, on the N side of Yarrow Water, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Selkirk town.

Broad Moss, a common of nearly 300 acres in the higher part of Rattray parish, Perthshire. It is rather a moor than a moss; and it might be profitably covered with plantation.

Broadsea, a fishing village in Fraserburgh parish, Aberdeenshire, now forming part of Fraserburgh town. It has a Church of Scotland mission station, and a General Assembly school. Pop. (1891) 510.

Brochel, a group of dilapidated strong ancient buildings in Portree parish, Skye, Inverness-shire, on a ledgy rock, at the head of a small bay, near the middle of the E side of Rasay island. A small building of two low stories, with a narrow interior court, stands on a lower shelf of the rock, outward to its very edge; and another small building of two low stories, surmounted by battlements, and recessed with two triangular loop-holed apartments, occupies all the summit of the rock. The only access to the lower building is an ascent on the seaward side, so steep that it can be climbed only on all-fours, or at least with the aid of the hands; the approach to the higher building is through a narrow steep-roofed passage between the lower building and the base of the upper stage of the rock; and the entire character of the place, as to both natural position and artificial structure, is so strong as to exhibit the very bean-ideal of adaptation to security and defence in the ages preceding the invention of gunpowder. The last occupant is said to have been a person of extraordinary prowess, a chief of the Macleods, in the time of James VI., bearing the *soubriquet* of Eoin Garbh, or 'John the Athletic.'

Brochloch, a quondam ancient castle in Maybole parish, Ayrshire. It was the scene of a skirmish, in 1601, between the retainers of the Earl of Cassillis and those of the Laird of Bargany; and it is now represented by only some scanty ruins.

Brock, a burn in the E of Renfrewshire. It rises in Mearns parish, near the boundary with Ayrshire; receives soon the effluence from Brother Loch; runs northward to Balgray, Ryat-Linn, and Glen reservoirs, on the mutual boundary of Mearns, Neilston, and Eastwood parishes; proceeds northward, partly along the boundary between Neilston and Eastwood, partly within Eastwood; and falls into the Levern, nearly 2 miles W of Pollokshaws. Its length of course, inclusive of nearly a mile through the reservoirs, is about $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

Brocklehurst, a hamlet in Mousewold parish, Dumfriesshire.

Brodishan or Brothacan, a loch in Crathie parish, SW Aberdeenshire, close to the Perthshire border, 9 miles SSW of Castleton of Braemar. Lying 2303 feet above sea-level, it measures $2\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs by 1, and teems with excellent trout.

Brodick, a bay, a village, an old castle, and a *quoad sacra* parish in Kilbride parish, Arran, Buteshire. The bay is in the middle of the E side of Arran; has a half-moon form; measures 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles across the entrance; and is flanked on the N by Merkland Point, on the S by Corriegill Point. A fine smooth beach of sand and shingle, admirably adapted for bathing, lines its margin; a sweep of plain, sprinkled with little hamlets, rows of cottages, and pretty villas, spreads away from the beach; and this plain is backed by a semi-amphitheatre of mountains, cleft by the glens of Cloy, Shurig, and Rosie.—The village, on the SW side of the bay, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Lamplash, and 14 WSW of Ardrossan, contains a number of neat residences, a hotel, an Established and a Free church, and the Duke of Hamilton's school, which, with accommodation for 99 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 71, and a grant of £70, 15s. A favourite summer resort of families from Glasgow, and even from the E of Scotland, it enjoys regular communication, by steam vessels, with Ardrossan, Gourock, and Greenock; has a commodious iron steam-boat pier, erected in 1872; a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments; a fair on the Tuesday after 20 June for cattle, sheep, and horses; a justice of peace small debt court on the first Monday of every month, and sheriff small debt courts four times a year.—The castle stands on a green

terrace, amid a splendid park, on the N side of the bay; belongs to the Duke of Hamilton, the proprietor of most of Arran; is chiefly a modern structure, in the old Baronial style, with steep crow-stepped gables, battlemented roofs, flanking turrets, and a lofty central tower; and, together with its park, figures picturesquely and proudly on the seaboard. A fortalice on its site existed in the times of the Norse invaders and of the Lords of the Isles; a reconstruction or an extension of that fortalice was an object of contention in the wars of Bruce and Baliol; and some portion of the mediæval structure is retained in the walls of the present edifice. The *quoad sacra* parish is in the presbytery of Kintyre and synod of Argyll. Stipend, £120. Pop. of *q. s.* parish (1871) 1104, (1881) 996, (1891) 1055; of registration district (1871) 928, (1881) 837, (1891) 912.

Brodie, an estate, with a mansion and a station, in Dyke and Moy parish, W Elginshire. Brodie Castle, in the southern vicinity of the station, and near the Nairnshire boundary, is an irregular castellated edifice, partly old and partly modern; a predecessor, Brodie House, was burned by Lord Lewis Gordon in 1645. For more than 500 years the Brodies have held the estate, the present representative, Hugh Fife Ashley Brodie, Esq., owning 4728 acres in the shire, valued at £2172 per annum. The station is on the Highland railway, 3½ miles W by S of Forres, under which it has a post office.

Brodie's Cairn, a tumulus on Towie farm, in Aberdour parish, N Aberdeenshire. It is said to cover one quarter of a farmer who murdered his mother; and three other cairns, of the same name, formerly were near it.

Brodiesord. See **FORDYCE**.

Brogaig, a village in the W of Skye, Inverness-shire. Its post-town is Kilmuir under Portree.

Brogar-Bridge, a bridge over the water-isthmus between the two parts of Loch Stenness, in the SW of the mainland of Orkney. It is situated 9½ miles W of Kirk wall; and it takes across the road thence to Sandwick.

Broich, an estate and a burn in Kippen parish, Stirlingshire and Perthshire. The mansion on the estate adjoins the burn, and has adjacent to it one of the finest yew-trees in Scotland. The burn issues from Loch Leggan on Kippen Moor; has been employed in floating away patches of moss; and runs along a beautiful glen or vale to the Forth.

Broich, an estate, with a mansion, in Crieff parish, Perthshire, ½ mile S of the town. The mansion, enlarged by a wing in 1881, is the seat of Alex. MacLaurin Montecath, Esq. (b. 1834; suc. 1880). An ancient Caledonian standing stone is on the estate; and two larch-trees, overshadowing a circle of 12 yards in diameter, were on it in 1860, when their site, being trenced and levelled, was found to inhere two ancient stone cists, one of them containing human remains and an urn.

Brolum, a sea-inlet, about 2½ miles long, on the SE coast of Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire, about 8 miles ENE of Loch Seaforth.

Bronach, a burn in Laggan parish, Inverness-shire. It is a mere rannel in dry weather, but it becomes a voluminous and destructive torrent after a few hours of heavy rain.

Brony, a rivulet in the E of Aberdeenshire. It rises on the confines of Bourtie and Udny parishes, and runs about 7 miles north-eastward to the river Ythan on the W border of Ellon parish.

Broom, a village near the W border of Aberdeenshire. Its post-town is Rhynie under Gardly.

Broom, a small village in the Moy district of Dyke and Moy parish, Elginshire.

Broom, a farm in Cummertrees parish, Dumfriesshire. A field at it, called Bruce's Acres, is said to have been the scene of a severe repulse of Robert Bruce by the English, through the treachery of a blacksmith. A quantity of human bones and several swords were found not long ago in a neighbouring moss.

Broom, a lake on the mutual border of Moulin, Logierait, and Dowally parishes, Perthshire, 4½ miles E of Pitlochry. Lying 1000 feet above sea-level, it has an extreme length and breadth of 5½ and 2 furlongs;

and it is famed for its trout, as good and large as those of Loch Leven.

Broom, a river and a sea-loch of NW Ross-shire. The river, rising among the Dirri Mountains, issues in two head-streams from two lakes 6 miles asunder, Lochs Ebraoin and Droma. Uniting its head-streams at a point 3½ miles NE and 4½ WNW of those lakes, it thence runs 4½ miles N by W to the head of Loch Broom proper in the vicinity of Lochbroom church, and has throughout a rapid current. The sea-loch (Ptolemy's *Voisais Bay*), opening from the Minch, with a width of 12½ miles, goes 7 miles south-eastward with very little diminution of its width; and is sprinkled, over these 7 miles, with Summer isles, Priest island, Gruinard island, Horse island, Du island, and a number of islets and skerries. It ramifies into Loch Broom proper in the N, Little Loch Broom in the middle, and Gruinard Bay in the S. Loch Broom proper commences with a width of 4 miles, goes 5 miles south-eastward with a maximum width of 4½, and a mean width of about 4 miles; suddenly contracts to a width of about 1 mile, and goes 9½ miles south-eastward and south-south-eastward, with a mean width of about ¾ mile, to Lochbroom church. Nearly all the loch, in both the larger and the proper sense, presents a picture of singular loveliness. Rocky promontories and sweeps of wood diversify its shores; abrupt lofty mountains, with strong features, striking flexures, and bold amassments, form its cineture; and Benmore of Coigach, one of the most remarkable mountains in the Highlands, for both contour and colour, occupies the middle portion of the N flank. Little Loch Broom goes 9½ miles south-eastward, with a mean breadth of about 1 mile, and is separated from Big Loch Broom by a peninsula from 2 to 4 miles wide, commencing in Cailleach Head, and comprising the mountains Ben Goleach (2074 feet) and Ben-nam-Ban (1893).—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 92, 1881.

Broomfield, a station in Montrose parish, Forfarshire, on the Montrose and Bervie railway, 1½ mile N of Montrose town.

Broomhall, the seat of the Earl of Elgin, in Dunfermline parish, Fife. It stands on an elevated lawn, overlooking Limekilns village, ¼ mile N of the Firth of Forth, and 2½ miles S by W of Dunfermline town. An elegant mansion, it contains the bed in which Charles I. was born, and the sword and helmet of King Robert Bruce, that sword with which Burns was knighted by Mrs Bruce of Clackmannan. The estate, called formerly West Gellat, does not seem to have come into the possession of the Bruces till the early part of the 17th century; its present holder Victor Alex. Bruce, ninth Earl of Elgin (cre. 1633) and thirteenth Earl of Kincardine (cre. 1647), was born in 1849; succeeded his father, the eminent diplomatist, in 1863; and owns in the shire 2663 acres, valued at £12,080 per annum, including £3710 for minerals.

Broomhall, a village on the E border of Perthshire, near the boundary with Forfarshire. Its post-town is Longforgan, under Dundee.

Broomhill. See **LOCHMABEN**.

Broomhill, an estate, with a mansion, in the W of Dalsert parish, Lanarkshire, 1 mile SSW of Larkhall. It came into possession of John Hamilton, son of James, first Lord Hamilton, in 1473, and with his descendants it has since continued, its present owners being the trustees of Wm. Hy. McNeill Hamilton of Raploch. The original residence was a bartizaned fortalice, 4 stories high, and only 1 room wide; bore the name of Auld Machan Castle; and was burned about 1570 by Sir William Drury, governor of Berwick, but afterwards repaired. An old Romish chapel stood near it, in a field still called Chapel-Rome; was menaced with destruction by a mob in 1563; was saved from their fury by the Lady Hamilton of the period assuring them that she intended to convert it into a barn; and stood till 1724, when it fell to the ground under its own weight. Excellent sandstone for building is quarried on the estate.

Broomhill, a property of about 8 acres, with a large mansion, at the mutual boundary of Stirlingshire and Dumbartonshire, 1½ mile ENE of the meeting-point with

Lanarkshire, on the river Kelvin, adjacent to the Campsie railway, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by E of Kirkintilloch. It was purchased, in 1875, for £14,000, for an hospital for incurables, by the Association for the Relief of Incurables for Glasgow. The hospital has accommodation for 109 patients.

Broomholm, an estate, with a mansion, in Langholm parish, E Dumfriesshire. The mansion, on the left bank of the Esk, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by E of Langholm town, superseded an old castle, which was demolished about 1745, and is supposed by Pennant to occupy the central point of an ancient Caledonian town.

Broomhouse, a village on the W border of Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, near Tollcross, with a post office. Pop. (1881) 371, (1891) 743.

Broomhouse, an estate, with a mansion, in the NW corner of Edrom parish, Berwickshire. The mansion, on the right bank of the Whitadder, $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles NNE of Duns, was built, in 1813, on the site of an ancient castle.

Broomieknowe, a hamlet in Heriot parish, Edinburghshire.

Broomieknowe, a railway station in the E of Lasswade parish, Edinburghshire, on the Edinburgh, Lasswade, and Polton railway, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile E of Lasswade station.

Broomielaw. See GLASGOW.

Broomknoll, a suburb or street of Airdrie, in New Monkland parish, Lanarkshire. See AIRDRIE.

Broomlands, a hamlet in Inchinnan parish, Renfrewshire.

Broomlee, a hamlet, with a station, in Linton parish, Peebleshire. The hamlet lies on the river Lyne, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SSE of Linton village. The station is on the Leadburn and Dolphinton railway, and serves for Linton. Extensive improvements in draining, enclosing, and planting land were, not long ago, effected in the neighbourhood.

Broomrig, an estate, with a modern mansion, in the E of Holywood parish, Dumfriesshire.

Broomyleas, a low hilly ridge in Newlands parish, Peebleshire. An excellent durable red sandstone is quarried in it.

Brora, a village in Clyne parish, SE Sutherland. Standing on the coast, and on the Sutherland railway, at the mouth of the Brora river, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Golspie, it includes the suburbs of Inver-Brora, Kyle-Brora, and Glasochin. At it are two hotels, Clyne parish church (c. 1770; 900 sittings), Clyne Free church, a public school, a reading room, a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, a railway station, a small harbour, a branch of the Town and County Bank, the Brora Institute, and a distillery. The rocks around it possess uncommon interest to geologists from the occurrence in them of a coal formation belonging to the Lias and the Oolite epochs, and for the juxtaposition of that formation with granite. The coal was worked as long ago as 1573, and at various subsequent periods, but ceased to yield a compensating output. A new pit was sunk about 1820 at a cost of £16,000, and struck, at 250 feet from the surface, a seam about $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet thick; and coal, from that pit, was conveyed to the harbour on a railway 800 yards long. Four large salt-pans also were erected at a cost of £3327, and long gave employment to a considerable number of the inhabitants. Renewed mining operations for coal were commenced on a large scale in 1872, but the coal found was really a species of lignite, whilst at brickworks, under the same management as the coal-pit, some 700,000 bricks and tiles are turned out annually. Saw-mills and steam carpentry works have also been erected by the Duke of Sutherland, where fittings for all buildings in connection with the estate improvements are made. Peter Sutherland, or 'Luckie' (1768-1880), was a native of Brora. Pop. (1861) 482, (1891) 540.

Brora, a river and a loch of SE Sutherland. The river is formed in the NW corner of Rogart parish, at 783 feet above sea-level, by head-streams that rise at altitudes of from 1500 to 1600 feet. Thence it flows 26 miles S, SE, ENE, and again SE, through Rogart and Clyne parishes, till it falls into the sea at Brora village.

Its principal affluent is the BLACKWATER. Loch Brora, an expansion of the river, 4 miles WNW of the village, is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, and, at the widest, $3\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs broad, at two points narrowing to only 70 yards. The river itself has long been regarded as one of the best trout and salmon streams in Scotland; and in the loch a salmon breeding establishment has been carried on by the Duke of Sutherland since 1872. The number of ova collected in one year amounted to 1,105,000. Loch Brora displays grand features of rock and wood; is overhung, in the upper part of its right side, by Carrol Rock (684 feet); looks, in most views, to be a chain of three lakes; and contains, near its lower end, an islet on which stood anciently a hunting seat of the Earls of Sutherland.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 103, 1878.

Brosdale. See JURA.

Brother, a small island off the S coast of Yell, in Shetland.

Brother, a lake in Mearns parish, Renfrewshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Newton-Mearns village. It has an extreme length and breadth of $3\frac{1}{4}$ and 3 furlongs, and it contains perch and trout.

Brotherton. See BENDHOLM.

Brothock (Gael. *brothach*, 'filthy'), a rivulet of the E of Forfarshire. It rises on the eastern border of Kirkcaldy parish, and runs 6 miles south-eastward through Inverkeilor, St Vigeans, and Arbroath parishes to the sea at Arbroath harbour.

Brough, a village in the N of the mainland of Shetland. Its post-town is Mossbank under Lerwick.

Brough, a fishing hamlet in Dunnet parish, Caithness, 3 miles SSE of Dunnet Head, with a post office under Thurso. A slip was erected here by the Commissioners of Northern Lights for landing their stores.

Brough, Orkney. See BIRSAT.

Brough-Head. See BERGE-HEAD.

Brough Lodge, a mansion in Fetlar island, Shetland, $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles N of Lerwick.

Broughton, an ancient metropolitan suburb, a burgh of barony, now absorbed into the New Town of Edinburgh. It stood on the old road from ancient Edinburgh to North Leith, and it is commemorated in the present names of Barony Street, Broughton Street, Broughton Place, and Broughton Park. Its tollbooth and courthouse, built in 1582, were demolished so late as 1829; some fragmentary remains of its streets were removed in 1870; and a small fragment of it still exists at the W end of Barony Street.

Broughton, Kilbucho, and Glenholm, a Tweeddale parish of W Peebleshire, formed about 1804 by the union of Broughton parish in the NE, and of the larger parishes of Kilbucho in the SW and Glenholm in the SE. It contains the village of Broughton, a neat modern place, lying on the Edinburgh and Dumfries highroad and the right bank of Broughton Burn, with a post office, with money order and savings bank departments, and a railway telegraph office; $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S, the post office, under Biggar, of Rachen Mill; and, between these two, Broughton station on the Caledonian, 11 miles W by S of Peebles, $4\frac{1}{2}$ E by S of Biggar, and 8 E of Symington Junction.

The united parish is bounded N by Kirkcud, E by Stobo and Drummelzier, SE by Drummelzier, and W by Culter in Lanarkshire and Skirling. From Broughton Heights at the NE corner to Glenwhappen Rig, the southernmost point, it has an extreme length of 10 miles; its breadth from E to W varies from $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile to 6 miles, and thence again to *nil*; and its area is 19,834 acres, of which 56 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. This area includes that portion of the parish of Culter, containing the Hartree Hills, that was formerly in the county of Peebles, but which was transferred, in 1891, by the Boundary Commissioners to the united parish of Broughton. Culter parish being thus restricted to the county of Lanark. For $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles the upper northward-flowing Tweed roughly traces the eastern border, and, just where it quits it, is joined by BIGGAR Water, which here has an easterly course of $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles, dividing Kilbucho and Glenholm from Skirling and Broughton, and itself receiving Kilbucho Burn ($4\frac{1}{2}$ miles long) from the SW, Broughton Burn ($4\frac{1}{2}$

miles) from the N, and Holms Water (7½ miles) from the SSW,—all of them capital trout-streams. Consisting of ranges of rounded grassy hills, of narrow straths and of the Biggar's wider and more level vale, the surface at the 'meeting of the waters,' opposite Drummelzier Haugh, has an elevation of barely 600 feet above sea-level, but rises rapidly on either hand. Northward, in Broughton, are Burnetland (908 feet), Cloverhill (1148), pyramidal Landlawhill (1208), Clover Law (1616), and * Broughton Heights (1872), where the asterisk indicates a summit culminating on the boundary. Westward, between the Biggar and Kilbucho Burn, are Goseland Hill (1427), Kilbucho Hill (1307), and * Scawdman's Hill (1880); south-westward, between Kilbucho Burn and Holms Water, Whitslade Hill (1198), Common Law (1544), Carden Hill (2218), Chapelgill (2282), * King Bank Head (2067), * Culter Fell (2454), and * Glenwhappen Rig (2262); south-south-westward, between Holms Water and the Tweed, green insulated Rachan Hill (1041), Wrae Hill (1345), Blackhope Hill (1782), Wormal Hill (1776), Middle Head (1703), and * Glenlood Hill (1836). The rocks belong to the Lower Silurian formation; and limestone and slate have been quarried—the former at Wrae, containing graptolites, trilobites, and shells. Brick-clay is rare, whilst coal has been sought in vain. The arable soils are partly a deep rich alluvium, and partly loam, clay, or reclaimed moss; and 1000 acres might perhaps be added to the 5000 or so already cultivated, besides some 250 under plantations. At Rachan Mill is the great bacon and ham curing establishment of Mr Adam Bryden, dating from 1850. Antiquities are 10 prehistoric hill-forts, the chief one that upon Landlawhill; the staircase angle of the keep of Wrae Castle, near the Tweed; traces of the old churches of Broughton and Kilbucho (Gael. 'cell of Begha,' or St Bees), and the site of Hartree Tower. Among the families connected with this parish were the Dicksons, Flemings, Geddeses, Browns, and Carmichaels; at Broughton House dwelt the 'Apostate' Murray, secretary to Prince Charles Edward during the '45. The house was burned about 1775, and shortly afterwards the estate was purchased by Robert Macqueen, Lord Braxfield (1722-99), that 'giant of the bench,' whose descendant J. R. Macqueen of Hardington House, is owner of almost the whole of Broughton. At present the chief mansions are Rachan House (Jas. Tweedie, owner of 11,151 acres in the shire, of £4059 annual value) and Mossfennan (Rev. Dr Welsh, with 1509 acres of £634 value), both upon the Tweed, with Glencotho, upon Holms Water; and the whole parish is divided among 11 proprietors, 6 holding each a yearly value of £500 and upwards, 1 of between £100 and £500, 1 of from £50 to £100, and 3 of from £20 to £50. It is in the presbytery of Biggar and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the minister's income is £354. The present parish church (1804; 500 sittings) stands near the station, a new bell and roadway having been provided for it in 1890; and there is also a Free church. Three public schools—Broughton, Glenholm, and Kilbucho—with respective accommodation for 120, 41, and 44 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 29, 15, and 9, and grants of £24, 17s. 6d., £27, 16s. and £22, 11s. 6d. Valuation, £9573, 11s. 6d. Pop. (1801) 627, (1831) 911, (1841) 764, (1851) 881, (1861) 723, (1871) 729, (1881) 667, (1891) 537.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 24, 1864.

Broughty Ferry, a watering-place and little seaport of Forfarshire, partly in Dundee parish, but chiefly in that of Monifieth. On the northern shore of the Firth of Tay, 5½ miles W of Buddon Ness, it is 3½ miles E of Dundee, 13¼ WSW of Arbroath, and 17¼ S by E of Forfar, by rail; whilst by water it lies 7 furlongs N of Tayport, this being 45½ miles NNE of Edinburgh. It takes its name from the Castle of Broughty or Burch-Tay, which, built on a rocky peninsula by Andrew, third Lord Gray, in 1498, consists of a massive square keep, enclosed by a wall with two round flanking towers. For 2½ years after the battle of Pinkie, this key of the Tay was held by an English garrison, nearly 2000 strong, who further fortified the neighbouring hill of

Balgillo; but, after twice being vainly besieged by the Regent Arran and the Earl of Argyll, it was stormed by the Scots and Frenchmen under De Thermes, on 20 Feb. 1550 (Hill Burton's *Hist.*, iii. 278). In 1855 the ruin was purchased for £1500 by Government, who spent £7000 more on its restoration (1860-61); and it is mounted now by 9 heavy guns, and manned by a few artillery veterans. Save for the castle, the place is wholly modern, and consisted a century back of only a few poor fishers' huts. But the pleasant site, fine air, and good sea-bathing had marked it out for 'Dundee's country house'; and, since the railway was opened in 1839, its sloping links have year by year become more thickly studded with the beautiful villas of merchant-princes of that jute metropolis. A police burgh since 1864, it is governed by 3 magistrates and 9 commissioners; it is well supplied with both gas and water; and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, telegraph, and insurance departments, branches of the Royal and North of Scotland Banks, a local savings bank, several hotels, a library, a masonic lodge, a volunteer hall, a lifeboat, several clubs, and a weekly newspaper. The principal buildings are the Public Hall (1869), the Young Men's Christian Association (1874), the British Workman's Public House (1873), the Good Templar Hall (1874), and, near the cemetery, the Dundee Convalescent Home (1876), an imposing pile with lofty central tower, erected for 50 inmates by the late Sir David Baxter and his friends. The Castle Links and Reres Hill are pleasant recreation grounds, 3 and 6 acres in extent; the latter was given by the tenth Earl of Dalhousie. Fishing, employing fully 100 decked boats of 20 tons each on an average, is the only extensive industry; and not more than 40 small vessels annually enter the harbour, which, opened in August, 1872, has a stone pier 30 feet wide and nearly 200 long, with a wooden platform and slip.

In the presbytery of Dundee and synod of Angus and Mearns, Broughty Ferry is apportioned into two *quoad sacra* parishes, the first erected in 1834, and the second or St Stephen's in 1875. Brook Street Established church (1826-75) has a fine organ, as also has St Stephen's (1871-80), a cruciform Gothic edifice, with a spire 112 feet high; and, in the graveyard of the first-named church, a granite obelisk (1860) marks the tomb of the author of the *Christian Philosopher*, Thomas Dick, LL.D. (1774-1857), who spent his last 20 years at Broughty Ferry. A stone church was erected for Beach mission, and opened in 1890. There are also 3 Free churches—West (1844), East (1865), a good Second Pointed structure, and St Luke's or West Ferry iron church (1878); 2 U.P. churches—Fort Street (1847) and Queen Street (1876), geometrical Gothic in style, with an organ and spire; a Congregational church (1864); a Baptist chapel (1882); and St Mary's Episcopal church (1859-70), which, designed by Sir Gilbert Scott in Early English style, is rich in painted glass by London, Munich, and Belgian artists. Besides the Collegiate boys' school and 4 young ladies' seminaries, there are 4 public schools—Eastern, Grove Academy, Southern, and Western—which, with respective accommodation for 538, 337, 307, and 230 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 434, 196, 214, and 219, and grants of £424, 2s., £216, £156, 17s., and £199, 18s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £52, 12s., 10s. Pop. (1792) 230, (1841) 1980, (1881) 7407, (1891) 9256.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 49, 1865. See Norrie's *Handbook to Broughty Ferry*.

Brow, a decayed village in Ruthwell parish, Dumfriesshire, on the coast of the Solway Firth at the influx of Lochar Water, 9 miles SE of Dumfries. It has a chalybeate spring, and was formerly in repute as a watering-place, both for the spring and for sea-bathing. Here Burns spent three of the last weeks of his life (July 1796), in the hope of restoring his shattered constitution.

Brow, one of the lead mines at Leadhills, in Crawford parish, Lanarkshire.

Brown Carrick, a broad-based, ridgy hill in the N of Mayhew parish, Ayrshire. Rising to an altitude of 940 feet above sea-level, it overlooks the Bay of Ayr and

the valley of the Doon; and commands a magnificent prospect over Kyle and Cunningham and the Firth of Clyde.

Brownhead, a bold rocky headland at the southwestern extremity of Arran island, Buteshire.

Brownhills, a hamlet in St Andrews parish, Fife, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of St Andrews city.

Browhouses, a village and a bay in Gretna parish, Dumfriesshire. The village stands on the bay, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by S of Annan, and is of considerable magnitude. The bay is merely a slight encroachment between Tordoff and Redkirk Points; but it affords some shelter from the rushing tides of the Solway.

Brownlee, an estate, with a mansion, in Carluke parish, Lanarkshire.

Brown Loch, a quondam lake on the mutual border of Craigie, Mauchline, and Tarbolton parishes, Ayrshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Mauchline. It covered about 60 acres, was frequented by wild duck and wild geese, and sent off water-power to drive two corn-mills; but it was shallow, and has been drained; and now its bottom is traversed by the Glasgow and South-Western railway, and presents to view well-cultivated fields.

Brownside, a place in Neilston parish, Renfrewshire. A cascade on the river Levern and a large quarry of trap rock are here.

Broxburn, a rivulet of Haddingtonshire. It rises, in several head-streams, in the parts of Lammermuir adjacent to the sources of the Whitadder, and runs about 7 miles north-eastward, throughout Spott and Dunbar parishes, to the German Ocean at Broxburn, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Dunbar town. In part of its course it bears the name of Spott Water.

Broxburn, a mining and manufacturing town of Uphall parish, Linlithgowshire, standing at a curve of the Union Canal, on the right bank of the Brox Burn; it has a station on the Broxburn branch of the North British, and is 1 mile N by W of Drumshoreland station, this being $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Edinburgh, and $7\frac{3}{4}$ miles E by N of Bathgate. It consists of one long straggling street, and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch bank of the British Linen Company, several inns, and a Gothic public hall, seated for 500, and erected with billiard and reading rooms in 1873 at a cost of £1300. Places of worship are an Established Church (St Nicholas), a Free church, a U.P. church, with a spire 90 feet high, and a handsome Roman Catholic church. A public and a Roman Catholic school, with respective accommodation for 949 and 317 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 850 and 277, and grants of £743, 15s. and £242, 7s. 6d. At or close to the town are a colliery, 3 shale oil works, a fish manure factory, and a composition brickyard. Pop. (1861) 660, (1871) 1457, (1881) 3066, (1891) 5898.

Broxburn Railway, a branch railway, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile long, in the E of Linlithgowshire, forming a link between the Edinburgh and Glasgow and the Bathgate sections of the North British system, within the border of Kirkliston parish. It was authorised in 1867, on a capital of £8000 in £10 shares, and £2600 on loan, and it was amalgamated with the North British in 1873.

Broxburn, a seat of the Duke of Roxburgh in Dunbar parish, Haddingtonshire, at the mouth of Broxburn rivulet, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE by E of Dunbar town. The mansion is modern, and has a finely embellished park, whose gently-sloping grounds are bounded by a sea-wall $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile long. A little eminence called Cromwell's Mount, and crowned by a cedar of Lebanon, is supposed to mark Cromwell's station in the battle of DUNBAR (1650); and in the grounds, too, are a *Cedrus deodara* planted by the Queen in 1878, an observatory, a lake of 4 acres, 5 vineries, etc. In Haddingtonshire the duke owns 3863 acres, valued at £6281 per annum. See FLOORS CASTLE.

Bruachaig, a loch of Moy and Dalarossie parish, in the NE extremity of Inverness-shire, 16 miles ESE of Inverness. Lying 1800 feet above sea-level, it measures $2\frac{1}{2}$ by 1 furlong, contains fine trout, and sends off a rivulet to the Findhorn.

Bruan, a village on the mutual border of Wick and

Latheron parishes, Caithness, 8 miles SW of Wick town. A mission-house of the Church of Scotland, a very plain thatched building, with 585 sittings, was erected here chiefly in 1798, partly at a subsequent period, and had attached to it a manse for a missionary, with a glebe of 4 acres; and it originally was under the same charge as a mission-house at Berriedale, but became detached on the erection of the *quoad sacra* church at Berriedale in 1826. A Free church now is here.

Bruar, a rivulet of Blair Athole parish, N Perthshire, formed, 1 mile from the Inverness-shire border, by several head-streams that rise on the Grampians at elevations of 2000 and 2700 feet. Thence it runs $9\frac{3}{4}$ miles southward, past Ben Dearg (3304 feet), and under the Highland railway and the Glen-Garry highroad, till it enters the Garry, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile E by N of Struan station, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ W by N of Blair Athole. In all it descends from 1800 to 500 feet; and during the last 2 miles of its course it forms three series of romantic falls. The reach comprising these traverses a deep ravine, spanned at intervals by natural arches and by bridges, overhung by impending rocks, and covered, on shelves and acclivities and crests, with planted wood. The first or highest series of falls is threefold, and makes an aggregate descent of some 200 feet; the next, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile lower down, is single, taking a leap of nearly 50 feet; and the last series is a succession of cascades, cataracts rather than falls, and nowhere more than 12 feet high. The wood that now feathers the falls and adorns the ravine was wanting in 1787 when Burns addressed his *Humble Petition of Bruar Water* to the Duke of Athole; and it was all of it planted in answer thereto. Not only were a vast number of larch, Scotch pine, and beech trees so planted as vastly to enhance the beauty of the scene, but numerous walks were formed, and convenient seats and summer-houses erected. The falls were visited by Wordsworth and his sister, 7 Sept. 1803; and by the Queen and Prince Consort, 18 Sept. 1844. The falls, in order to be seen in their perfection, must be visited when the rivulet is in a state of freshet.

Brucefield, an estate, with a mansion, in Clackmannan parish, Clackmannanshire. Coal is worked on the estate.

Brucefield, a village in Dunfermline parish, Fife, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSE of Dunfermline town. A flax spinning-mill was erected here in 1792, and was the earliest establishment of its kind in Dunfermline parish; but suspended operations about 1840. Brucefield House is in the vicinity.

Brucefield, a level tract at the base of Barra Hill in Bontie parish, Aberdeenshire. It is now under the plough; but it formerly comprised a number of small elliptical entrenchments; and it is thought, by some archaeologists, to have been the scene of the conflict called variously, by historians, the battle of Inverurie and the battle of Old Meldrum. See BONTIE.

Brucehaven, a harbour in Fife, on the Firth of Forth, 3 miles S by W of Dunfermline. It was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 from the parish of Inverkeithing to that of Dunfermline.

Brucehill, an extensive moorland tract in New Deer parish, Aberdeenshire, about 1 mile W of New Deer village. Edward Bruce is said to have encamped here after the battle of Inverurie, and to have gone hence in pursuit of the Comyns to Aikley Brae.

Bruce's Acres. See BROOK, Dumfriesshire.

Bruce's Castle, an ancient baronial round tower, on the lands of Carneck, in the SE of St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire. No record, not even any tradition, exists as to when, by whom, or for what purpose it was built.

Bruce's Castle, a place on the SE skirt of Schiehallion mountain, on the mutual border of Dull and Fortingall parishes, Perthshire. It was a retreat of Robert Bruce at the ebb of his fortunes.

Bruca-na-Frea, one of the chief summits of the Cuchullin Mountains in Skye. It is situated in the north-western part of the group, and has an altitude of 3180 feet above sea-level.

Brucklay, a hamlet in New Deer parish, Aberdeen-

slines, with a station on the Formartine and Buchan section of the Great North of Scotland, and a post office under Aberdeen. A public school here, with accommodation for 106 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 85, and a grant of £69, 18s. 6d. Brucklay Castle, a little to the WSW, is a fine castellated mansion, 120 feet square, dating from the latter half of the 17th century, and four times enlarged between 1765 and 1864. It is the seat of Alex. Dingwall Fordyce (b. 1873), owner of 20,899 acres in the shire valued at £12,744 per annum, and son of the late Wm. D. Fordyce, M.P. for Aberdeenshire (1866-68), for E Aberdeenshire (1868-75).

Bruiach, a loch in Kiltarlity parish, Inverness-shire, 8 miles SSW of Beauly. It measures 9 furlongs in length by $3\frac{1}{2}$ in breadth, has a small island in its middle, and abounds in trout and char.

Brunstane, a mansion in the E of Liberton parish, Edinburghshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Portobello. It was built in 1639 by Lord Landerdale. **BURDLEHOUSE BURN** is sometimes called Brunstane Burn.

Brunstane, a ruined large stroug fortalice in Penicuik parish, Edinburghshire, on the left bank of the North Esk, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Penicuik town. It is thought to have been built about the year 1580, and is said to have been inhabited by the predecessors of the Earl of Dumfries. Brunstane colliery is 5 furlongs to the SW.

Brunswark, Burnswark, or Birrenswark, an isolated and conspicuous hill on the NE border of Hoddam parish, Dumfriesshire, near the Caledonian railway, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Lockerbie. It rises to an altitude of 920 feet above sea-level; has a tabular summit; stands out against the sky-line, in extensive prospects from the straths of the Annan, Solway, and Eden; commands a wide panoramic view; is crowned with two well-preserved Roman camps, believed to have been formed in the time of Agricola; and was a central station of the Romans, whence their itinera diverged to all the southern parts of Scotland. By Skene it is also identified with Trimontium (Welsh *Trefnynydd*, 'town on the mountain'), a town of the Selgovæ mentioned by Ptolemy (*Celt. Scot.*, vol. i., 1876, p. 72).

Brunst, a hill in Dunbar parish, Haddingtonshire, 3 miles SSE of the town. Its summit is the highest ground in the parish, rising 737 feet above sea-level.

Bruntaburn, a tract of land on the W border of West-ruther parish, Berwickshire. Extensive plantations are on it; a flagstone quarry was formerly worked in it; a reach of Boondreigh burn bears its name; and remains of a Roman camp are on its northern border.

Bruntsland. See BURNISLAND.

Brunton, a hamlet in Creech parish, Fife, 6 miles ENE of Newburgh. It has a post office under Cupar-Fife.

Brunton, in Markinch. See BARNSLEE.

Bruntsfield, a tract of links and a mansion in St Cuthbert's parish, Edinburghshire. The links lie in the immediate south-western vicinity of Edinburgh city, adjoining the Meadows on the NE, the line of thoroughfare from Edinburgh to Morningside on the WSW, and the ornate villa-gemmed tract called Canaan on the S. Part of the ancient extensive common of Borough Muir, where James IV. mustered his army before the battle of Flodden, they form now, and have long formed, a capital golfing ground. The mansion stands a little S of the links, and is the seat of Sir George Warrender, sixteenth Bart. since 1715 (b. 1825; suc. 1867), owner of 74 acres in the shire, valued at £908 per annum in 1872, a sum since greatly increased by the feuing of Warrender Park. See EDINBURGH.

Bruntwood, a quondam lake in Galston parish, Ayrshire. It was much frequented by waterfowl; but it has been completely drained; and all its bed is now under the plough.

Burrie Skerries, a group of islets in Nesting parish, Shetland.

Broxie, a hill on the mutual border of Arbuthnot and Kinneff parishes, Kincardineshire. Its summit is the highest ground in either parish, and has an altitude of 710 feet above sea-level.

Brydekirk. See BRIDEKIRK.

Buachaille, Booshala, or Herdsman, an islet off the S coast of Staffa, Argyllshire. It is separated from Staffa by a channel about 30 yards wide, through which a foamy surf is constantly rushing; it has a conoidal or irregularly pyramidal form; it rests on a bed of curved horizontal columns, visible only at low water; it consists of ranges of basaltic columns, small, closely-compacted, and most of them so disposed as to look like billets of wood piled against a central nucleus; it rises to an altitude of about 30 feet above sea-level; and it presents a general outline at once exact, symmetrical, and curiously beautiful.

Buachaille-Etive (Gael. 'shepherds of Etive'), two mountains in the NE of Ardschattan parish, Argyllshire. Lying in the angle formed by Glen Etive and Glencoe, they are parted by the river Conpal, to the W of which Buachaille Etive Bheag culminates in Stob Dubh (3129 feet above sea-level); and to the E, Buachaille Etive Mor in Stob Dearg (3345). Dorothy Wordsworth tells how from Kingshow she and her brother 'often looked out of the window towards a huge pyramidal mountain, Buchal, at the entrance of Glencoe.'

Bualnaluib, a hamlet, with a public board school in Gairloch parish, Ross-shire. The school, with accommodation for 140 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 77, and a grant of £90, 19s. 6d.

Bucleuch, a cluch in Ettrick parish, Selkirkshire, in the lonely glen of the Rankle Burn, from $2\frac{1}{2}$ to 4 miles SSE of Tushielaw. It is flanked on the E by Kirk Hill (1293 feet), on the W by Dunside Rig (1206); at its head are some vestiges of a pre-Reformation church, at its foot is the site of an ancient castle. From it was named a former parish, now incorporated with Ettrick, and it has given the titles of successively Laird, Baronet, Baron, Earl, and Duke to the family of Scott. The title of Baron Scott of Bucleuch was created in 1606, of Earl of Bucleuch in 1619, of Duke of Bucleuch in 1683. The Duke of Bucleuch is also Duke of Queensberry in the peerage of Scotland, and Earl of Doncaster in that of England; he is fourth largest landowner in Scotland, holding 432,183 acres, or nearly as much as the three Lothians. His Scottish seats are Dalkeith Palace in Edinburghshire, Drumlanrig Castle and Langholm Lodge in Dumfriesshire, Bowhill in Selkirkshire, and Branxholm in Roxburghshire. Both tradition and song ascribe the name of Bucleuch to the capture and killing of a buck in a cluch; and they indicate both the spot on which the buck was taken and that where it was slain. Old Satchell says, in expressive doggerel,—

'Good Lancelot Scot, I think he true
Old Rankle Burn is designed Bucleuch now,
Yet in his book no falls read he,—
It was Buck's cluch he read to me.
He told me the name, the place, the spot,
Came all by the hunting of a buck
In Scotland no Buckleuch was then,
Before the buck in the cluch was slain.'

Bucleuch, Edinburghshire. See EDINBURGH.

Buchaille. See BUACHAILLE.

Buchan, a district of NE Aberdeenshire. It originally extended from the Don to the Deveron; it afterwards was curtailed by detaching from it the district of Formartine; and it now extends from the Ythan to the Deveron, or includes all the parts of Aberdeenshire N and NNE of the Ythan; but it is obscurely bounded over the few miles, in the NW, between the sources of the Ythan and the course of the Deveron. Its outline is almost circular, with a diameter of about $27\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Its coast, particularly at what are called the Bullers of Buchan, shows interesting features; but its interior is mainly low and monotonous, and nowhere has a higher elevation than Mormond Hill, whose summit rises to an altitude 769 feet above sea-level. The prevailing rock is granite. The district is subdivided into Deer or Buchan proper, comprising 13 parishes, and Ellon, comprising 8 parishes. The chief towns are Peterhead and Fraserburgh; and the chief villages are Ellon, Stewartfield, Mintlaw, Longside, Old Deer, New Deer, Strichen, New Pitsligo, Cuminestown, New Byth, Turriff, Crimond, St

Combs, Roseheart, and Aberdour. The district, in its original extent, was anciently an earldom, with feudal jurisdiction, vested in the Comyn family till their forfeiture in 1309; and also was a deanery in the diocese of Aberdeen. A modern earldom of Buchan was created in 1469 in favour of the Erskine family, and descended in 1857 to David Stuart Erskine, thirteenth Earl. His lordship's seat is Amondell in Linnithgowshire. Twenty-six parishes—Aberdour, Auchterless, Crimond, Cruden, New Deer, Old Deer, Ellon, Forgie, Foveran, Fraserburgh, Fyvie, King-Edward, Logie-Buchan, Longside, Lomay, Methick, Monquhitter, Pitsligo, Rathen, St Fergus, Slains, Strichen, Tarves, Turriff, Tyrie, and Udry—constitute the Buchan poor-law combination. The poorhouse, on the brow of a knoll, a little S of Maud Junction, is a conspicuous edifice, with accommodation for 138 inmates. The U.P. synod has a presbytery of Buchan, with churches at Fetterangus, Fraserburgh, New Deer, New Leeds, Peterhead, Roseheart, Savaoh of Deer, Stewartfield, and Whitehill. See J. P. Pratt's *History of Buchan and Peters' Peat-Mosses of Buchan*.

Buchan, a hamlet in Kelton parish, Kirkcubrightshire, on the W side of Carlingwark Loch, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Castle-Douglas.

Buchanan, a parish in the extreme W of Stirlingshire, bounded NW by Arrochar in Dumbartonshire, NE by Callander in Perthshire and by 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the upper waters of Loch KATRINE, E by Aberfoyle in Perthshire and by Drymen, S by the 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ last miles of the winding, impetuous ENDRICK, dividing it from Kilmarnock in Dumbartonshire, and W by an imaginary line drawn up the middle of Loch LOMOND from Endrick Mouth to Island Vow Castle. It thus includes the islands of CLAIRNICH, INCHCALLOCH, INCHFAD, and INCHCRUIN, with two or three tinier islets, and contains the steamboat piers of BALMAHA, ROWEDENNAN, and INVERNAID; while its church, in the S, is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of the post-village, and 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of the station, of Drymen. From NNW to SSE its greatest length is 18 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles; its width from E to W varies between 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 6 miles; and its area is 47,804 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 6206 are water. Some forty burns, the largest of them ARKLET Water, run to Loch Lomond from Buchanan, whose Callander boundary is traversed by Glengyle Water, and which contains the southern head-streams of the FORTH, as well as Lochs ARKLET (9 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 3 furl.), Cruachain, and Dubh. Loch Katrine lies 364, Loch Lomond 23, feet above sea-level; and from the wooded shore of the latter the surface rises, from N to S, into the following summits, of which those marked with an asterisk culminate on the borders of the parish:—*Stob nan Eighearach (2011 feet), *Beinn a' Choin (2524), Creag an Fhithich (1149), Stob an Fhainne (2144), Maol Mor (2249), Cruachan (1762) *Beinn Uaimhe (1962), Cruinn a' Bheinn (2077), Creag a' Bhocain (1613), *Beinn Dubh (1675), *Mulan an't-Sagairt (1398), BEN LOMOND (3192), Ptarmigan (2398), Beinn a' Bhan (1854), Sron Aonaich (1893), Collice Mhor Hill (763), Beinn Uird (1957), Dun Dhamh (996), *Beinn Bhreac (1922), Tom Soillier (1375), *Gualann (1514), Bhreac Leac (1059), Conic Hill (1175), and Bad Ochainaich (852). Of the whole area 4250 acres are under wood, and but 2800 in tillage, these chiefly in the SW corner of the parish, a strip of Strathendrick, and the one part that is not mountainous. Here stand the church at 127, and Buchanan Castle at 50, feet above the sea, this latter being $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of Drymen, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Loch Lomond, and 3 furlongs from the right bank of the Endrick. Successor to an earlier mansion, destroyed by fire in January 1850, it commands from its finely-wooded park and grounds magnificent views of the lovely surrounding landscape, and is the seat of Douglas-Beresford-Graham, fifth Duke of Montrose (b. 1852; suc. 1874), who owns 103,760 acres (including all this parish) in Stirling, Perth, and Dumbarton shires, valued at £23,100 per annum. From 1231 and earlier Buchanan was held by Buchanans of that ilk, part of whose ancient Peel yet stands 200 paces from the Castle, and upon whose extinction in 1682 the estate was purchased by the third Marquis of Montrose, in 1707 created first Duke, and

also Marquis of Graham and Buchanan. Apart from these families, the parish has memories of Rob Roy and Rob Roy's sons, of General Wolfe and Wordsworth; but these are noticed under separate headings, where, too, its special features are described. Formed in 1621 by the union of the ancient parish of Incheiloch and an outlying portion of Luss, it is in the presbytery of Dumbarton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, its minister's income amounting to £260. The church, repaired in 1828, contains 300 sittings; and three public schools, Buchanan, Invernaid, and Salloch, with respective accommodation for 52, 43, and 38 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 29, 10, and 26, and grants of £31, 13s., £23, 7s. 6d., and £39, 15s. 11d. Valuation £8435, 13s. Pop. (1801) 748, (1851) 632, (1871) 591, (1881) 550, (1891) 658.—*Ond. Sur.*, sh. 38, 1871.

Buchan, Bullers of. See BULLERS OF BUCHAN.

Buchanhaven, a fishing village in Peterhead parish, Aberdeenshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Peterhead town, and within Peterhead parliamentary burgh. Pop. (1891) 798.

Buchan Ness, a low but rocky peninsula of E Aberdeenshire, in the S of Peterhead parish, and 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Peterhead town. Joined to the mainland at BODDAM village by a beach of small rounded stones, it is $\frac{1}{2}$ furlong long, is mainly composed of hornstone and hornstone-porphry, and is crowned by a circular granite lighthouse (erected in 1827 at a cost of £11,912), whose revolving lantern, 130 feet above sea-level, exhibits a flashing light once every five seconds, visible for 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ nautical miles.

Buchanty, a decayed hamlet in Fowls-Wester parish, Perthshire, on the S bank of the Almond, 10 miles NE of Crieff. It has a bridge, amid fine wooded scenery; and it anciently had a chapel, now entirely removed. At Buchanty, too, Skene places 'Banatia,' a frontier town of the 'Vacomag,' a strong Roman station here being overlooked by a commanding native strength on Dunmore Hill.

Buchany, a village in Kilmadock parish, Perthshire, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NW of Donne.

Bucharin. See BOHARM.

Bucholie, a ruined castle in Canisbay parish, Caithness, on an almost insulated high rock, a little S of Freswick Bay. It seems to have been very ancient and strong; and, according to Pennant, was inhabited in the 12th century by a Danish nobleman.

Bucket, a rivulet of W Aberdeenshire. It rises on the mountains at the boundary with Banffshire, and runs about 7 miles south-south-eastward, along Glenbucket, to the river Don.

Bucket, Bridge of, a hamlet on the Bucket rivulet, 42 miles WNW of Aberdeen. It has a post office under Aberdeen.

Buckhaven, a large fishing village in Wemyss parish, Fife, on the Firth of Forth, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles SW of Leven by road, and 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Thornton Junction by a branch line opened in 1881. An old-fashioned place, on the slope of a steepish headland, it has a post office, with-money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the Royal and Commercial banks, gas-works, a flax-spinning and twine factory, networks, and a pier and harbour formed under the auspices of the Board of Fisheries. The fisher-folk, said variously to be descendants of Norsemen or of the crew of a Brabant ship wrecked in the 17th century, retained not a few peculiar traits of character and appearance a hundred and odd years since, when they were satirised in a curious pamphlet, *History of the College of Buckhaven, or the sayings of Wise Willie and Witty Eppie*. Defoe had written of Buckhaven: 'It is inhabited by fishermen, who are employed wholly in catching fresh fish every day in the firth, and carrying them to Leith and Edinburgh markets. The buildings are but a miserable row of cottages; yet there is scarce a poor man in it; but they are in general so very clownish, that to be of the college of Buckhaven is become a proverb. Here we saw the shore of the sea covered with shrimps like a thin snow; and as you rode among them, they would rise like a kind of dust, and hop like grasshoppers,

being seared by the footing of the horse. The fishermen of this town have a great many boats of all sizes, which lie upon the beach, ready to be fitted out every year for the herring season, in which they have a very great share. Buckhaven now is included in the fishery district of Anstruther. At it are a Free church, 2 U.P. churches, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 728 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 611, and a grant of £534, 12s. 6d. Pop. (1841) 1526, (1861) 1965, (1871) 2187, (1881) 2952, (1891) 4006—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867. See *History of Buckhaven* (priv. prin. 1813), and an article in Chambers's *Edinburgh Journal*, Dec. 14, 1833, by the Fife poet, David Molyson.

Buckholmside, a part of Galashiels town in Melrose parish, Roxburghshire, on the left bank of Gala Water. It takes its name from Buckholm Hill (1064 feet), immediately adjacent to it; and it forms, both practically and compactly, a large part of GALASHIELS.

Buckie, a burn and a hamlet in Alford parish, Aberdeenshire. The burn runs in the central and eastern part of the parish to the Don. The hamlet adjoins the burn.

Buckie, a coast town and police burgh in Rathven parish, Banffshire, at the mouth of a burn of its own name, $\frac{7}{8}$ miles NE of Fochabers, $\frac{1}{2}$ ENE of Portgordon, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ W by S of Portsoy, with a station on the Portsoy and Elgin branch of the Great North of Scotland railway, and another on the Highland railway. The burn divides the town into Easter or Buckie proper to the E, and Nether Buckie to the W, the latter dating from about 1650, the former from 1723. In 1888 it adopted the General Police Act, and is governed by a chief magistrate, 2 junior magistrates, and 9 commissioners. It has a post office with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Town and County, North of Scotland, and Union banks, several hotels, gas-works, a lifeboat, a public reading-room and library, a foundry and steam saw-mills, a net work, rope and sail yards, and a large distillery at Inchgowrie; but fishing is the principal trade. There is a weekly newspaper, the *Banffshire Advertiser* (Liberal), published every Thursday. A fair is held on the Wednesday before the fourth Friday of July. It has an Established church, raised from a chapel of ease to *quoad sacra* status in 1876; a Free church, Elizabethan in style, has a fine steeple; All Saints' Episcopal church, erected (1875-76) at a cost of £2000, is a Decorated edifice, with nave, chancel, circular apse, and a spire 96 feet high; a U.P. church was built in 1870, and St Peter's Roman Catholic church in 1857. The public school, erected (1876) at a cost of £3392, is an Early English pile, with square tower 60 feet high; and this, Lady Cathcart's female industrial school, and a Roman Catholic school, with respective accommodation for 720, 150, and 349 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 513, 124, and 284, and grants of £504, 13s. 6d., £108, 10s., and £261, 12s. It has two harbours, one in Buckie proper, the other in Nether Buckie. The former, replacing one of 1857, was constructed of concrete during 1874-80 at a cost of about £70,000, defrayed by the late Mr Gordon of Cluny, and, with an area of 9 acres and an quayage of nearly half a mile, comprises an outer and an inner basin. The latter, 4 acres in extent, is 10 feet deep at low water, and thms has a greater depth than any harbour to the N of Leith; 40,000 cubic yards of concrete were used in the entire work, for which 115,000 cubic yards of rock had to be excavated, and 15,000 of soft materials. In 1794 Buckie had only 19 sloops and fishing-boats of aggregate 122 tons; while in 1892 its fishing-craft numbered 210 large boats and 40 small ones—total, 250. The Buckie fishing district, comprising the stations right and left from Banff to Findhorn, ranks the foremost in the kingdom in respect of the number of the boats owned and employed, and also in value. In this district in 1890 there were cured 34,070 barrels of white herring, besides 50,599 cod, ling, and hake—taken by 713 boats; the persons employed being 3522 fishermen and boys, 24 fish-curers, 100 coopers, and some thousands of others, while the total value of

boats, nets, and lines was estimated at £192,574. Pop. (1794) 703, (1841) 2165, (1861) 2798, (1871) 3803, (1881) 4176, (1891) 5849; of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 5680.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 95, 1876. See pp. 316-320 of James Brown's *Round Table Club* (Elgin).

Buckieburn, a hamlet in the SW of St Ninian's parish, Stirlingshire, on a small burn at the foot of the Lennox Hills, 4 miles WNW of Denny.

Buckie-Den, a beautifully romantic dell on the mutual border of Lunan and Maryton parishes, Forfarshire, 4 miles SSW of Montrose. It has steep sides, in some parts almost vertical, in most parts gemmed with shrubs and flowers; and it is traversed by a small rapid rill, running to the sea, and leaping along in cataracts sometimes 20 or 30 feet high.

Buckinch, a quondam island in the river Clyde, within Renfrew parish, Renfrewshire. It now forms part of the lands of Scotstoun.

Buckland, a burn in Kirkcudbright parish, Kirkcudbrightshire. It is formed by the confluence of Balcred-dan and Gribbie burns, in the vicinity of Bombie; and it runs, from the point of confluence, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-westward to the Dee below St Mary's Isle.

Bucklerhead, a hamlet in the parish of Murros, Forfarshire.

Bucklyvie or **Buchlyvie**, a village on the W border of Kippen parish, Stirlingshire, on a small burn, $\frac{2}{3}$ mile SE of the Forth and Clyde railway, and 4 NNE of Balfron. A burgh of barony, it has a post office under Stirling, with money order and savings bank departments, and a railway telegraph office, a railway station, a *quoad sacra* church (1836), a Free church, a U.P. church (1751), and public waterworks (1870). A public school, with accommodation for 120 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 84, and a grant of £86, 5s. 6d. Pop. (1861) 339, (1871) 327, (1881) 319, (1891) 313; of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 806.

Buckny, a burn in Stormont district, Perthshire. Rising in the E of Logierait parish, it passes between the mountains of Benachally (1594 feet) and Duchray (1670); traverses, with impetuous current, a deep, narrow, rocky dell, the Den of Riechip; and, separating Capnath and Clunie parishes, enters the latter in Laighwood Park, and there falls into the Lunan, after a course (SSE and E by S) of $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles.

Buck of Cabrach, a mountain on the mutual border of Cabrach, Auchindoir, and Kildrumny parishes, Aberdeenshire, 13 miles SW by S of Huntly. Rising 2368 feet above sea-level, it presents, to the N and E, a pyramidal outline, tapering towards the top, and crowned with a cluster of rocks looking like gigantic statuary; and, though 33 miles distant from the coast, is visible a good way out at sea.

Buddo, a remarkable rock on the coast of St Andrews parish, Fife, $\frac{3}{2}$ miles ESE of St Andrews city.

Buddon, a burn of SE Forfarshire, rising in the NW corner of Monifieth parish, and taking a generally SE course of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, till it falls into the Firth of Tay, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Broughty Ferry. See BARRY.

Bueinech, a wooded islet of Buchanan parish, Stirlingshire, in Loch Lomond, 1 furlong NE of Incheruin island, and itself about 1 furlong long.

Buie, a burn in Ardhattan parish, Argyllshire, running about 3 miles to Loch Creran.

Buie or **Buidie**, a loch on the mutual border of Crieich and Dornoch parishes, SE Sutherland, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Bonar-Bridge station. Lying 527 feet above sea-level, it is $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile long by $\frac{1}{2}$ broad, contains good trout, and is gained by salmon by means of a remarkable ladder on the Carnach river.

Builg, a loch in Kirkmichael parish, S Banffshire, close to the Aberdeenshire border, 3 miles S of Inchroy. Lying 1586 feet above sea-level, at the NE base of Ben Avon, it has an extreme length and breadth of $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, abounds in trout and char, and sends off a burn to the river Avon. The Queen beheld it 'beautifully lit up by the setting sun,' 5 Sept. 1860.

Buittle, a coast parish of Kirkcudbrightshire, which, reaching NW to within a mile of Castle-Douglas, and E

to within 5 furlongs of Dalbeattie, is traversed for $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles by the section of the Glasgow and South-Western between those towns, and towards the S contains the post office village of Palnackie or Polnackie. The latter stands on the right bank of Urr Water, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles above Urr Waterfoot, and $3\frac{3}{4}$ SSW of its post-town Dalbeattie; and, having a good natural harbour, was formerly the port of Castle-Douglas, coal, lime, and slate being the chief imports, livestock and farm produce the exports. Since 1861 the railway has mostly diverted its trade; and now it is a drowsy-looking place, with 2 inns and only some half-dozen shipowners.

The parish is bounded N, NE, and E by Urr, SE by Colvend, S by the Solway Firth (here 15 miles wide), SW by Rerwick and Kelton, NW by Kelton and Crossmichael. From N by W to S by E it has an extreme length of $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth from E to W varies between 1 and $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 12,431 acres, of which 860 $\frac{1}{2}$ are foreshore, 104 $\frac{3}{4}$ water, and 74 $\frac{1}{2}$ 'inks.' The seaboard consists of a peninsula, running $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles down to Almonness Point, and $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ mile broad, which rises 200 and 100 feet, and is washed on the E by Rough Firth, on the W by Orchardton and Auchencairn Bays. The surface inland is pleasantly diversified by grassy or arable hills, attaining 597 feet in Barskeoch, and somewhat exceeding 400 in Guffogland, 500 in Tod Fell, 500 in Barloch-an, and 400 in Blackbelly. Urr Water flows to Rough Firth along all the boundary with Urr and Colvend; whilst the south-western, with Kelton and Rerwick, is traced by Doach Burn and Potterland Lane, descending to Orchardton Bay through a beautiful wooded glen, the so-called 'Trossachs of Galloway.' Other streams, in the interior, are Corra Lane, Mill of Glen Burn, and Little Lane. The Craignair granite quarries, situated near Urr Water at 390 feet above sea-level, were opened about 1806, and were worked by the Liverpool Dock Trustees from 1825 to 1832. Once more in active operation, they employ several hundred labourers, including those of Messrs Newall, who furnished granite for the Thames Embankment. Iron-ore, rock-crystal, talc, and spar are also found. The soil is fertile on the arable lands, which comprise a considerable aggregate of reclaimed foreshore and moss; nearly 1000 acres are under wood. Antiquities are a vitrified fort at Castlegower, in the W; another hill-fort at Almonness, in the S; the picturesque old tower of Orchardton, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by W of Palnackie, the only round tower in Galloway, with the rare Ceterach fern growing on its walls; the vaults and ditches of the grand Castle of Botei or Buittle on the Urr, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N by W of Buittle Bridge, a favourite seat this (it is said) of Baliol; the site of Kirkennan church, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NNE of Palnackie; and the ivy-clad First Pointed ruins of Buittle church, held anciently by Sweetheart Abbey. The mansions are Munches and Kirkennan, 2 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Dalbeattie; and 11 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 5 of between £100 and £500, 2 of from £50 to £100, and 2 of from £20 to £50. Buittle is in the presbytery of Kirkcudbright and synod of Galloway; its minister's income is £325. The present church (1819; 400 sittings) stands by the old one towards the middle of the parish, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Dalbeattie. Two public schools, High Buittle and Palnackie, with respective accommodation for 111 and 124 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 77 and 67, and grants of £84, 7s. 6d. and £68, 11s. 6d. Valuation (1888) £11,601, 6s. 4d. Pop. (1811) 858, (1861) 1165, (1871) 1026, (1881) 991, (1891) 960.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 5, 1857

Bulcholie. See BUCHOLIE.

Bulg. See BULG.

Bull, a loch in North Bute parish, Bute island, Bute-shire, 9 miles NW of Rothesay. Measuring $1\frac{1}{2}$ by $\frac{3}{4}$ furlong, it abounds in two kinds of trout, and sends off a rivulet $\frac{3}{4}$ mile northward to the Kyles of Bute.

Bullers-Buchan, a small fishing-village in Cruden parish, Aberdeenshire, in the vicinity of the Bullers of Buchan.

Bullers of Buchan, a stupendous series of granite cliffs, with a huge rocky caldron into which the sea rushes through a natural archway, in Cruden parish, Aberdeen-

shire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Slains Castle, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ SSW of Peterhead. The cliffs for a considerable distance are high and rugged, and at the Buller proper are pierced by a tunnel, open horizontally in front to the inward rush of the sea, and vertically within to the sky, forming there what is locally called the Pot. The rocks, both in front and in the Pot, are wall-like, and probably 100 feet in height; they terminate in so sharp a land surface as to leave but a narrow and precarious footway either for traversing the summit of the arch or going round the margin of the Pot. Sir Walter Scott's description of the Buller pales before that by Dr Samuel Johnson, who visited it with Boswell in 1773:—'We turned our eyes to the Buller or Bouillior of Buchan, which no man can see with indifference who has either sense of danger or delight in rarity. It is a rock perpendicularly tabulated, united on one side with a high shore, and on the other rising steep to a great height above the main sea. The top is open, from which may be seen a dark gulf of water, which flows into the cavity through a breach made in the lower part of the enclosing rock. It has the appearance of a vast well bordered with a wall. The edge of the Buller is not wide, and, to those that walk round, appears very narrow. He that ventures to look downwards sees that if his foot should slip, he must fall from his dreadful elevation upon stones on one side, or into the water on the other. We, however, went round, and were glad when the circuit was completed. When we came down to the sea, we saw some boats and rovers, and resolved to explore the Buller at the bottom. We entered the arch which the water had made, and found ourselves in a place which—though we could not think ourselves in danger—we could scarcely survey without some recoil of the mind. The basin in which we floated was nearly circular, perhaps 30 yards in diameter. We were enclosed by a natural wall rising steep on every side, to a height which produced the idea of insurmountable confinement. The interception of all lateral light caused a dismal gloom: round us was a perpendicular rock,—above us the distant sky,—and below an unknown profundity of water. If I had any malice against a walking spirit, instead of laying him in the Red Sea, I would condemn him to reside in the Buller of Buchan. But terror without danger is only one of the sports of fancy,—a voluntary agitation of the mind that is permitted no longer than it pleases. We were soon at leisure to examine the place with minute inspection, and found many cavities, which, as the watermen told us, went backward to a depth which they had never explored. Their extent we had not time to try; they are said to serve different purposes. Ladies come hither sometimes in the summer with collations, and smugglers make them storehouses for clandestine merchandise. It is hardly to be doubted but the pirates of ancient times often used them as magazines of arms or repositories of plunder. To the little vessels used by the Northern rovers, the Buller may have served as a shelter from storms, and perhaps as a retreat from enemies; the entrance might have been stopped, or guarded with little difficulty, and though the vessels that were stationed within would have been battered with stones showered on them from above, yet the crews would have lain safe in the caverns.'

Bullionfield, an extensive paper-work establishment in Liff and Benzie parish, Forfarshire, adjacent to Invergowrie village, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Dundee. It was originally a work for bleaching and dyeing yarn and cloth, and it is now a work for manufacturing immense quantities of printing and other papers.

Bullion Well, a mineral spring in Ecclesmachan parish, Lulithgowshire. It is near the manse; it issues from the trap rocks of Tor Hill; it is weakly impregnated with sulphuretted hydrogen; and it formerly was visited by invalids, but is now neglected.

Bulvicar, a bay in Seil island, Kilbrandon parish, Argyllshire.

Bulwark. See DEER (OLD).

Bunachton, a loch on the mutual border of Daviot and Inverness parishes, Inverness-shire, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Inverness. Lying 701 feet above sea-level, it is $\frac{1}{2}$ mile

long, and has on its S bank a bed of marl from 5 to 6 feet deep.

Bunavoulin, a village in Morvern parish, Argyllshire. It has a public school.

Bunawe, a village on the western verge of Glenorchy parish, Argyllshire, on the left bank of the river Awe, immediately above its entrance into Loch Etive, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Taynuilt station, and $14\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Oban. It has a ferry across Loch Etive: and is a starting-point for ascending Ben Cruachan and exploring Glen Etive. An extensive iron-work, the Lorn Furnace, near the village, established in 1753 by a Lancashire company, who leased the adjoining woods, and imported the iron ore hematite from Furness here to be smelted with charcoal, is now silent. Extensive granite quarries are found in the neighbourhood, employing some 200 workmen. Bunawe is much celebrated for its salmon fishery, which gives employment to a considerable number of persons in the fishing season. Large quantities of fish are sent fresh in boxes to Glasgow and other parts of Scotland. The church (Established), which was erected in 1828, stands near the road to Inverary. On an eminence near the village is a rude block of granite, the first monument erected in Britain to the memory of Lord Nelson. Since the completion of the railway to Oban, Bunawe has become a favourite resort for tourists, and anglers can obtain fishing in the famous salmon river Awe. There is a hotel near Taynuilt station. The post office, with money order, telegraph, and savings bank departments, is at Taynuilt, where is also an inn.

Bunchrew, a station in Kirkhill parish, Invernessshire, on the Highland railway, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Inverness, with a post office and railway telegraph office. Bunchrew House, a small turreted mansion near, was the birthplace and a favourite retreat of the celebrated Duncan Forbes of Culloden (1685-1747), Lord President of the Court of Session.

Bunchrubin. See DORES.

Bundalloch, a fishing village in Kintail parish, Ross-shire, on the NE shore of Loch Long, near Dorrie village, and 10 miles NE of Kyle Akin.

Buness or **Bunness**, a hamlet in Unst island, Shetland, near the head of Balta Sound. Buness House stands in its vicinity, and was the place where the philosophers Biot and Captain Kater conducted their experiments on the pendulum in 1817-18. A quarry of chrome ore on the Buness estate was the first source whence chrome was introduced to the British market.

Bunecasan. See BONESSAN.

Bunihigh. See HELMSDALE.

Bunker's Hill, an eminence within the New Town of Edinburgh, now crowned by St James Square.

Bunkle and Preston, a parish of NE central Berwickshire, formed early in last century by the union of two separate parishes. Extending northward to within $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile of Grant's House station on the main North British, it is traversed in the extreme E by 2 furlongs of the Duns branch, whose station of Chirnside lies just outside the south-eastern angle; and Bunkle church, standing towards the middle of the parish, is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of that station, 3 NW of the post-village of Edrom, and 5 NNE of the town of Duns. It is bounded NE by Coldingham, E by Chirnside, S by Edrom and Duns, W too by Duns, and NW by detached portions of Longformacus and Abbey St Bathans. With a rudely triangular outline, it has an extreme length from N to S of $4\frac{1}{2}$, and a width from E to W of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its area is 9256 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 67 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The WHITADDER, a beautiful trout stream, roughly traces all the boundary with Duns and Edrom, and near Chirnside station is joined by Billymire Burn, which, marking the eastern border, itself receives from the interior the south-eastward flowing Fosterland, Draden, Lintlaw, and lesser burns. The drainage of the north-western corner of the parish is carried northward to Eye Water, being parted from the Whittader by Bunkle Edge. Starting from Stoneshill Hill (723 feet) on the left bank of the Whittader in the extreme W, this southern range of the Lammermuirs strikes across Bunkle in a north-easterly

direction, cutting it into two unequal portions (by much the larger that to the SE), and culminating 7 furlongs NW of the church at 879 feet. The surface falls away on either side—S and south-eastward to Preston churchyard (343 feet), Preston (326), Marden (298), Lintlaw (335) Blanerne (200), and Billy Mains (225); north-westward to points upon Drake Mine 530, 708, and 660 feet above the level of the sea. The rocks include some trap, but are mainly Silurian in the N, Devonian in the S; and in the W, on Hoardweel farm, a copper mine has twice been worked. The soil of the uplands, naturally poor, has been greatly improved with lime and marl; that of the southern undulating plain is fertile and well cultivated, and on his farm here of Slighshouses, Dr James Hutton introduced the Norfolk system of drill-husbandry to Scotland (1754-68). At least three-fourths of the whole area are arable, and some 500 acres are under wood. Antiquities are 8 round camps on Bunkle Edge, and remains of Bunkle Castle near the church, of Blanerne Castle in the SE, and of Billy Castle in the NW. The last, belonging to the Earls of Angus, stood in the middle of a great morass, now drained and tilled, and was demolished in Hertford's raid of 1544. Sir John Stewart, son of Alexander Lord High Steward of Scotland, by marriage with the heiress of Sir Alexander de Bonkil (1288) obtained the barony of Bunkle; and through his descendants, the Stewart Earls of Angus (1329-77) and the Douglas Earls of Angus (1389-1633), it ultimately came to the Hon. Lucy Montagu (1805-77), whose son, the Earl of Home, is owner now of more than half the parish. Two other proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, and 2 of from £20 to £100. The principal estates with mansions, Cruickfield, Easter Cruickfield, and Blanerne, are all three situated in the S of the parish; and the last, on the Whittader, has been held by the Lumdsaines since 1320. John Brown, M.D. (1735-88), founder of the Brunonian system of medicine, was a native of Bunkle. It is in the presbytery of Duns and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; the minister's income is £360. The church, containing 400 sittings, was rebuilt in 1820, all but a semicircular Norman apse, described in Muir's *Church Architecture* as 'evidently a very early building, which may date from even before the beginning of the 12th century. The interior roof is a plain half-concave similar to the vaulting in the apse of the chapel in Edinburgh Castle. The arch that communicated with the chancel is semicircular, and of one deep square-edged order, from plain impost bevelled on the lower edge.' Two schools, Bunkle public and Preston, with respective accommodation for 100 and 48 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 58 and 44, and grants of £55, 18s. 6d. and £36, 3s. 6d. Valuation £12,131, 9s. Pop. (1801) 674, (1821) 787, (1871) 764, (1881) 726, (1891) 672.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 34, 1864.

Bunloit, a hamlet in Urquhart and Glenmoriston parish, Invernessshire, on the W shore of Loch Ness, 3 miles SSW of Urquhart Bay. A public school here, with accommodation for 60 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 31, and a grant of £49, 10s. 6d.

Bunness. See BUNESS.

Bunroy, a hamlet in Kilmonivaig parish, Invernessshire. It has a Roman Catholic chapel, built in 1826, and containing 350 sittings.

Buntoit. See BUNLOIT.

Bunzeon, an estate, with an old mansion, in Culps parish, Fife. It belonged to the Bruces, one of whom represented Cupar burgh in the Scottish Parliament of 1703; but it passed to the Earl of Crawford; and its old mansion is now a farmhouse.

Burdiehouse, a hamlet and a burn of Edinburghshire. The hamlet, in the SE of Liberton parish, lies on the burn $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by E of Edinburgh, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ NW of Loanhead; is supposed to have been originally called Bourdeaux-House, from its being the residence of some of Queen Mary's French attendants in 1561; and is celebrated for its limekilns, which manufacture about 15,000 bolls of lime a year. A vast deposit of limestone

here contains fossils which have been largely discussed by eminent geologists.—The burn, rising on the northern shoulder of the Pentland Hills, within Colinton parish, runs $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles eastward to Burdiehouse hamlet, and thence 5 miles north-eastward through Liberton parish, and on the boundary with Newton and Inveresk parishes, to the Firth of Forth between Joppa and Fisherrow.

Burdsyards, an estate, with a mansion, in the parish and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by E of the town of Forres, Elginshire.

Burg, a bold, high, basaltic headland, in the SW of Null island, Argyllshire, mainly identical with Ardtnn, which has been already noticed.

Burgar, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Evie and Rendall parish, Orkney, 11 miles from Kirkwall.

Burgae. See **BURGIE**.

Burghhead, a promontory, a bay, a small town, and a *quoad sacra* parish, in Duffus parish, Elginshire. The promontory projects north-westward into the Moray Firth, measuring about 810 yards in length by 336 in breadth. It rises at first with very slight ascent from 28 feet above sea-level till it terminates in a round hill with altitude of 80 feet or upwards, and with a rocky precipitous sea-front. Upon this hill are vestiges of an ancient fortification—the borg most probably of Sigurd, Norwegian jarl of Orkney (c. 889). ‘Hill Burton,’ says Skene, ‘in stating his disbelief in the genuineness of Richard of Cirencester, adds, among other things to be abandoned, “the celebrated Winged Camp; the Pteroton Stratopedon can no longer remain at Burghhead, though a water-tank discovered there in 1809 has become a Roman bath to help in its identification.” He is, however, mistaken in supposing that its identification rests upon Richard. Ptolemy is in reality the authority for Alata Castra, and its position on the Moray Firth. It is of course absurd to recognise Roman remains there at that early period, but there can be no question that the ramparts of a town of the Vacomagi are still to be seen on that headland, which by the Norsemen was afterwards called Tortnes’ (*Celt. Scot.*, vol. 1, pp. 74, 336).

—The bay is flanked on one side by the promontory, on the other by a headland at the mouth of the Findhorn river; measures fully 4 miles across the entrance; penetrates the land to the distance of nearly 2½ miles from the entrance line; and has nearly a half-moon form.—The town stands on the slope of the promontory, on a branch of the Highland railway, opened to Hope-man in 1892, 5½ miles NNW of Alves Junction, 10½ NW of Elgin, and 12¼ NE of Forres. Laid out on a regular plan, with well-built and substantial houses, it is much frequented as a summer watering-place; carries on considerable commerce, an extensive herring fishery, and a limited salmon fishery; and has a post office, with money order, savings’ bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Caledonian Bank, a public reading-room, a suite of baths, a coastguard station, a custom-house, a *quoad sacra* parish church, a Free church, and a U.P. church. The Morayshire Chemical Works, for the manufacture of artificial manures, was started in 1864; and boat-building and fish-curing are also carried on. The harbour, fronting westward or towards Cromarty, was begun in 1807, and completed in 1810; extended considerably in 1881-87, at an expense of £40,000, until it is capable of accommodating ships drawing 17 feet of water; and, besides serving for the local commerce, accommodates passage vessels on a ferry to Sutherland, and receives calls of steamers plying between Leith and Inverness. The harbour is well protected from the north and east winds, and consequently vessels can enter with perfect safety. A public school, with accommodation for 595 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 334, and a grant of £332, 11s. 6d. The parish church was built as a chapel of ease about the year 1830. The *quoad sacra* parish was constituted in 1868, and is in the presbytery of Elgin and synod of Moray. Stipend, £189. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 2284; of town (1871) 1308, (1881) 1472, (1891) 1662.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 95, 1876. See Chambers’ *Book of Days*, for an account of the ‘Dourie’ or ‘Clavie,’ a relic of fire-

worship still kept up here on 12 Jan.; chap. xi. of *Jax. Brown’s Round Table Club* (1873); and Arthur Mitchell’s ‘Vacation Notes in Cromar, Burghhead, and Strathispy’ (*Proc. Soc. Ants. Scot.*, 1875).

Burgh-Head, Wigtownshire. See **BOROUGH-HEAD**.

Burgie, an estate, with a mansion, in Rafford parish, Elginshire, $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles E by N of Forres. It belonged to the Abbots of Kinross, and passed, in 1567, to the family of Dunbar. A strong castle was built upon it in 1602; and is now represented by only a large, beautiful, six-story square tower, surmounted by battlements, and commanding an extensive view. An addition was made to the castle in 1792, in form of a more modernised building; but both this and the greater part of the castle were taken down in 1802 for building the present contiguous mansion.

Burleigh, an old baronial castle in Orwell parish, Kinross-shire, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile SE of Milnathort. A place originally of great strength, it was the seat from 1446 of the family of Balfour, and gave them the peerage title of Baron; it passed with its lands to General Irwin, and afterwards to Graham of Kinross; and now it is represented by only part of its exterior walls, incorporated with the outbuildings of a farmstead. Sir James Balfour was made Lord Balfour of Burleigh in 1606; Robert, fourth lord, the murderer of the Inverkeithing schoolmaster, took part in the ‘15, and suffered attainder; and Alexander Hugh Bruce was declared heir to the barony by the House of Lords in 1868, and relieved from the effect of the attainder by Act of Parliament in 1869. His Lordship’s seat is KENNET House in Clackmannanshire.

Burn, an estate, with a mansion, in Fettercairn parish, SW Kincardineshire, on the left bank of the North Esk, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Edzell. The mansion was built in 1791 by Lord Adam Gordon; its present owner, Colonel W. M’Inroy, holds 4988 acres in the shire, valued at £3182 per annum.

Burnbane, a village in the E of Perthshire. Its post-town is Dunkeld.

Burnbank, a burn in Kincardine parish, Perthshire. It runs to the Forth, and has been used for mill-power and for floating moss into the Forth.

Burnbank, a fishing village in Nigg parish, Kincardineshire, 3 miles S of Aberdeen.

Burnbrae, a modern mansion in Abbey Paisley parish, Renfrewshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile ENE of Johnstone. It is a seat of Rt. Tho. Napier Speir, Esq. (b. 1841; suc. 1853), who owns in the shire 1527 acres, valued at £6487 per annum (£2736 of it for minerals).

Burnbrae, a village in Calderhead registration district, Lanarkshire.

Burnbrae, a village in the W centre of Ayrshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from its post-town Tarbolton.

Burnbridge, a village in Muiravonside parish, Stirlingshire.

Burnbutts, a village in the NW of Lanarkshire. Its post-town is Tollcross, under Glasgow.

Burness, an estate, with a mansion, in Firth and Stenness parish, Orkney.

Burness, a small lake in the N of Westray parish, Orkney. It contains trout; and it sends off its superfluity to Saintear lake.

Burness, an ancient parish, now annexed to Cross parish, in Sanday island, Orkney. Originally called St Colm’s, it forms the NW limb of Sanday, and is almost surrounded by the sea, being connected with the rest of Sanday by only a narrow isthmus. It presents for the most part, a flat, green, fertile appearance; and it contains several ponds, a considerable freshwater lake, a public board school, and the mansions of Scar and Saville. A curious tumulus was discovered in 1824. In Burness was born the lyric poet, David Vedder (1790-1854).

Burnfoot, a seaport hamlet in Rerwick parish, Kirkcubrightshire, at the mouth of Abbey Burn, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Kirkcubright. It is a free port, and might easily be provided with a commodious harbour.

Burnfoot, a small harbour in Old Luce parish, Wig-

townshire, at the head of Luce Bay, within 2 miles of Glenuece village. It accommodates only small vessels of less than 60 or 70 tons burden.

Burnfoot, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Hod-dam parish, Dumfriesshire, 1 mile E of Ecclefechan. Its owner, J. Irving, Esq., holds 4868 acres in the shire, valued at £36,835 per annum.

Burnfoot, a hamlet on the NW border of Kirkpatrick-Fleming parish, Dumfriesshire, at the influx of a burn to Kirtle Water, near Springkell.

Burnfoot, a place in Carriden parish, Linlithgowshire. It overlies a rich seam of coal; and it was the birth-place of Col. Jas. Gardiner (1688-1745), who fell at the battle of Prestonpans.

Burnfoot, a hamlet, with a woollen spinning-mill, in Glendevon parish, Perthshire.

Burnfoot, a hamlet, with a long-established bleach-field, in Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire.

Burnfoothill, a small town, connected with iron-works, in Dalmeillington parish, Ayrshire. Pop. (1871) 1421, (1881) 1690, (1891) 1068.

Burhall, a village near Motherwell, in Lanarkshire.

Burnhaven, a fishing village in Peterhead parish, Aberdeenshire, on the NW side of Sandford Bay, 1½ mile SSW of Peterhead town. It is of modern origin; was erected by George Mudie, Esq. of Meethill; and has a public school and a small harbour. The school, with accommodation for 237 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 109, and a Government grant of £88, 18s. The harbour is suited chiefly for fishing boats, and has a landing-place which was constructed at a cost of about £300.

Burnhead, a hamlet, with a U.P. church (1800; 700 sittings), in Penpont parish, Dumfriesshire, 1½ mile W of Thornhill, under which it has a post office.

Burnhead. See DUNSCORE.

Burnhead, an estate, with a mansion, in Sorn parish, Ayrshire.

Burnhouse. See BEITH.

Burnhouse, an estate, with a handsome modern mansion, in the parish and 3½ miles NNW of the village of Stow, Edinburghshire.

Burniestripe, a village in Urquhart parish, NE Elginshire, 2 miles SW of Garmouth.

Burnmouth, a fishing village in the SE corner of AXTON parish, Berwickshire, picturesquely lying at the foot of a steep ravine, with heights to S, W, and N that rise to 170, 309, and 310 feet above sea-level. It is ¾ mile SE of Burnmouth station on the North British, this being 5½ miles NNW of Berwick-upon-Tweed; and, included in Eyemouth fishing district, it carries on a thriving fishery, chiefly of herrings and haddocks. A harbour here, originally constructed at a cost of £1600, has been greatly improved by the erection of a W break-water, 325 feet long, and the extension of the pier to a total length of 800 feet, with a lighthouse at the end of it, these improvements having been finished in 1879 at a cost of £6296. Situated at the foot of an almost perpendicular ledge of rock, the cottages standing near to high-water mark give the place a very romantic appearance. Pop. (1871) 314, (1881) 432, (1891) 324.

Burnoch, a burn in Ochiltree parish, Argyllshire, running to Lugar Water.

Burn of Cambus. See CAMBUS, BURN OF.

Burn-Row, a village in Slamannan parish, Stirlingshire.

Burns, a hamlet in the Milton section of Markinch parish, Fife.

Burnside, a village comprising Wallacetown in Polmont parish, and Standrigg in Muiravonside parish, Stirlingshire.

Burnside, a village in the parish and 1½ mile N by E of the town of Dalry, Ayrshire.

Burnside, a hamlet in Tannadice parish, Forfarshire, 6 miles NNW of Forfar. A public school at it, for Tannadice of Inshewan, with accommodation for 67 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 36, and a grant of £44, 12s. 6d.

Burnside, an estate, with a mansion, in Rescobie parish, Forfarshire.

Burnside, a village in the N of Banffshire, 3 miles from Cornhill station.

Burnside, a village of NW Fife, ¾ mile ESE of Newburgh.

Burnside, a hamlet in St Cyrus parish, Kincairdineshire, contiguous to Roadside hamlet, a short distance W of St Cyrus village.

Burnside, a recent neat hamlet on Geddes estate, in Nairn parish, Nairnshire.

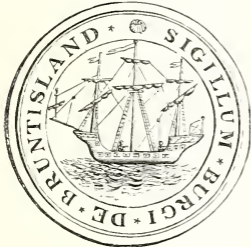
Burnswark. See BRUNSWARK.

Burntisland, a town and a parish of S Fife, on the northern shore of the Firth of Forth. Until the opening of the Forth Bridge in 1890 it was from 1848 the northern terminus of the steam ferry traffic of the Edinburgh, Perth, and Dundee section of the North British railway, being 9½ miles NNW of Edinburgh, 5½ NNW of Leith, and 5½ SW of Kirkcaldy. Its old name, Wester Kinghorn, was changed about 300 years ago to Bertyland, Bertland, or Bruntland, of dubious etymology. A royal and parliamentary burgh, an important coaling port, a seat of considerable local trade, and a resort of summer visitors for recreation and sea-bathing, it stands on low ground, partly peninsular, and screened along the N by a chain of wooded hills, the highest of which, the BRX (632 feet), commands a magnificent view. Rossend Castle, on an eminence at the W end of the town overlooking the harbour, is said to have been built in 1382 by Durie of Durie; figured long as a military strength; belonged to Kirkcaldy of Grange (executed 1573); served, at another time, as the headquarters of the armed Covenanters of the S of Fife; passed through the hands of many different proprietors; and, greatly altered by modern additions, is now the residence of Mr Jas. Shepherd, manufacturer, Kirkcaldy. Colinswell, Greenmont, and Starley Hall, all handsome modern mansions, are in the vicinity. The hamlet of Kirktion, with the quaint churchyard of the old parish church, St Adamnan's (1243), and the hamlet of Grange, with an extensive distillery, lie respectively ¼ and ½ mile to the N, but are now included within the municipal boundary. A spacious common, called the Links, adjoins the town on the E, and is half encircled by pleasant seaward-looking villas. One of these, Craigholm Cottage, near the extremity of the Links, was for several years the summer residence of Dr Chalmers (1780-1847); and in a house near the Forth Hotel Mrs Mary Somerville (1780-1872) passed much of her early childhood.

A wall was built round the town in the reign of Charles I.; and part of it, at the E end, is standing still. The Music Hall (400 seats), lying off the E end of High Street, was built in 1857 at a cost of nearly £2000, all defrayed by Messrs John and Joseph Young of Dunearn; and, given by their representatives in 1869 to the town, serves both for entertainments and public meetings. The parish church, built in 1592-94, on the model of the North Church of Amsterdam, is a curious square edifice, surmounted by a squat, vane-capped tower, and contains 900 sittings; other places of worship are a Free church (1860), a U.P. church, and St Serf's Episcopal chapel. There are also a town-hall (1846), a fever hospital (1880), a science and art institution, a railway mechanics' reading-room and library, a masonic lodge, a golf club, and police buildings, erected in 1886-87 at a cost of £2600. A public-school, built (1876) in Elizabethan style at a cost of £6000, and an Episcopal school, with respective accommodation for 744 and 242 children, had in 1891 an average attendance of 554 and 218, and grants of £565, 15s. and £190, 15s. The landward public school at Binnend has accommodation for 233 children.

The most prominent structures of the town are those connected with the harbour and the railway. The harbour, called *Portus Gratiae* or *Portus Salutis* in old burgh charters, long bore the character of being the best on the Firth of Forth, as large, well sheltered, and easy of access. Formerly only a tidal haven, it has been greatly improved, under acts of 1870, 1875, and 1881, by the construction of a wet dock, a sea-wall, and other works, at a cost of £150,000, advanced by the North British Com-

pany. Up to 1831 it was managed as part of the burgh property by the town council, but by the latest Act it is vested in 8 commissioners, 4 of them appointed by that company, and 4 by the town council. The wet dock, opened on 1 Dec. 1876, covers $5\frac{1}{2}$ acres, and has about 630 yards of quays, a depth of from 19 $\frac{3}{4}$ to 22 $\frac{3}{4}$ feet, an entrance 50 feet wide, railway connections, and several hydraulic loading machines; the sea-wall, starting from the island at the S end of Cromwell Dyke, is thence carried in a westerly and a northerly direction, including several acres of the foreshore. How great has been the effect of the improvements, may be seen in the growth of the harbour revenue from £197 in 1860 to £16,194 in 1891. Coal is the principal article of export. Since the opening of the Forth Bridge the ferry traffic has ceased, and the prosperity of the port has consequently been greatly affected. It is still the headquarters of the custom-house business for the district, which embraces the line of coast from Aberdour to Anstruther.



Seal of Burntisland.

The railway station adjoins the steamboat pier, and combines elegance of architecture with commodiousness of arrangement; whilst the neighbouring Forth Hotel is a handsome edifice, with all the convenience of a city establishment. The railway between the sea and the town passes first through deep rock-cuts, and next along a beach devoted to bathing. A little way down the line is a large railway-carriage and engine depot. Encroachments by the sea have been made and are menaced to the E of the railway works; and Sibbald's *History of Fife* (1710) says that townsfolk not long dead 'did remember the grassy Links reach to the Black Craigs, near a mile into the sea now.'

In 1656 Burntisland had 7 vessels of from 12 to 150 tons; like other ports of Fife, it is said to have suffered greatly from the Union. The boats of the Forth and East Coast fisheries long made its harbour their principal rendezvous, but were eventually drawn to Anstruther and other places. A herring fishery, with Burntisland for its headquarters, began about 1793, was vigorously prosecuted for many years, and produced from 16,000 to 18,000 barrels annually; but even that declined into little more than curing and cooping the cargoes of boats from other ports. Whale fishing sent out two vessels of respectively 311 and 377 tons in 1830 and some following years; but that likewise failed and was relinquished. The town has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and insurance departments, a railway telegraph office, branches of the Commercial and National Banks, a savings' bank, and a fair on the third Friday of July. New waterworks, costing £25,000, were opened in 1878. The distributing reservoir at Kilmundy lies, 1 mile NW of the town, at 200 feet above sea-level; the principal reservoir is at Cullalo, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Aberdour, and covers 40 acres; and the total storage capacity is 100,000,000 gallons, or 140 days' supply, at the rate a day of 70 gallons per head of the

present population. Another great improvement was effected in 1880, by granolithic paving at the East End, a handsome and almost unbroken promenade being formed thus of 2020 feet.

Burntisland belonged anciently to Dunfermline Abbey, and was exchanged by James V., in 1541, for some lands in the neighbourhood, that he might erect it into a royal burgh. It dates as a royal burgh from that year, and it got new charters in 1587 and 1632. It is now governed by a provost, 2 bailies, a dean of guild, a treasurer, and 7 councillors; and it unites with Kirkcaldy, Kinghorn, and Dysart, in sending a member to parliament. Its police affairs are managed by the magistrates and town council as commissioners of police; and its municipal, police, and parliamentary boundaries were made identical in 1876. The corporation revenue in 1865 was £548, in 1891 £2526. The annual value of real property—£8846 in 1843—was £27,266 in 1891, inclusive of the railway. The parliamentary constituency in 1891 was 729; the municipal 859. Pop. of burgh (1831) 1873, (1841) 1959, (1861) 3143, (1871) 3265, (1881) 4096, (1891) 4692. Houses (1891) inhabited 990, vacant 59.

Agricola, the Roman general, on crossing the Forth into Fife (83 A.D.), is thought, by some writers, to have landed at Burntisland, and to have encamped his army on Dunearn Hill, 2 miles to the NNW. On its summit is a plateau, surrounded with an immense number of loose stones, and known as Agricola's Garrison. In 1563, at Rossend Castle, where Queen Mary was spending the night on her way to St Andrews, the hapless Chastelard burst into her chamber—the offence for which he was brought to the block. A meeting of the General Assembly was held in the parish church in 1601, being summoned from Edinburgh by James VI., who durst not trust himself to the stormy Firth, and who here re-swore the Solemn League and Covenant, and suggested to the Assembly the propriety of revising the English translation of the Scriptures. In April 1615, the serving by the Queen's chamberlain of certain writs gave rise to an eviction riot of 'a multitude of women, above one hundred, of the bangster Amazon kind, who maist un-courteously dung him [the Earl of Dunfermline] off his feet and his witnesses with him, they all hurt and blooded, all his letters and precepts refit fra him, riven, and cast away, and sae stoned and chased out of the town.' The minister, Master Watson, a man of no calm port, would seem to have roused the townsfolk's hot humours, and the baillie's wife was leader of the Amazons. The inhabitants of Burntisland were zealous Covenanters, and made a powerful stand against Cromwell; eventually compelled to surrender the town to him, they exacted from him the stipulation that he would repair its streets and harbour. A letter of 29 July 1651, from the Protector to the Speaker of the House of Commons, describes the town as 'well seated, pretty strong, but marvellous capable of further improvement in that respect without great charge; the harbour as 'near a fathom deeper than at Leith at a high spring-tide, and not commanded by any ground without the town.' In April 1667, a fleet of 30 Dutch sail appeared at the mouth of the Firth of Forth, and some of the Burntisland privateers taking their cannon ashore, and raising a battery to defend the harbour, the Dutch ships lashed out with their ordnance against the town, and knocked a few chimneys down, but did no further harm. The town was occupied, in 1715, by the Earl of Mar's troops; and a spot adjacent to it was the camping ground, in 1746, of a large body of Hessians. Lord Burntisland was a life-title conferred in 1672 on Sir Jas. Wemyss of Caskieberry, husband of Margaret, Countess of Wemyss.

The parish of Burntisland, originally called Wester Kinghorn, is bounded N and E by Kinghorn, S by the Firth of Forth, and W by Aberdour. Its length from E to W varies between 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth from N to S is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 2950 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 386 are foreshore. The coast, inclusive of sinuosities, is 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, the shore being sandy

to the E. and rocky to the W. of the town. A small headland, called Ross Point, lies about 3 furlongs W of the harbour; and a creek strikes inland from that point, is $\frac{3}{4}$ mile wide at the entrance and $\frac{3}{4}$ mile long, and has been bisected by a stone wall 12 feet high and 9 feet broad, pierced with two flood-gates, and has, through the flood-gates, such an influx and efflux of tidal current as drives a corn-mill. The sea-board, to the width of $\frac{1}{2}$ mile, appears, in a rough view, a hill-flanked plain, but really has considerable diversity of elevation, being traversed from E to W by a series of ridges, parallel to one another, and of different heights. The first ascends gently from the sea; the next, called School Hill or Mount Pleasant, rises on the northern outskirts of the town; and the third is that on which Kirkton village stands, but all three are of very inconsiderable elevation. The fourth is the Bin, truly and conspicuously a hill, rising abruptly to an altitude of 632 feet above sea-level. The surface northward thence presents an interesting variety of hill and dale; has eminences somewhat irregularly scattered, and considerably diverse in height and aspect, and culminates in Dunearn Hill (671 feet), 2 miles NNW of the town. Dunearn Hill looks very like an extinct volcano, and it commands a magnificent panoramic view, embracing portions of 14 counties. Starley Burn descends from the western hills, falls over a high rock into the sea, making there a very picturesque cascade, and holds so much carbonate of lime in solution as to petrify moss and wood. The rocks are carboniferous and eruptive, and they exhibit constituents and juxtapositions highly interesting to geologists. Sandstone and limestone are quarried; coal is known to exist; ironstone, bituminous shale (at one time worked by the Burntisland Oil Company), slate clay, and various kinds of trap abound; and natrolite, zeolite, amethyst, chaledony, agates, and other scarce minerals are found. Numerous kinds of fossils, some of them of rare character, are in the limestone; and basaltic columns, in beautiful arrangement, occur on Orrock Hill and on the northern side of Dunearn Hill. The soil between the town and the Bin is mostly a rich, deep, very fertile loam; that to the N of the Bin is of lighter character, yet mostly well cultivated and productive. Numerous tumuli were formerly in the N; a small baronial fortalice was formerly at Balbee; and ruins of the small fort or castle of Knockdavia, which belonged to one Douglas, a persecutor of the Covenanters, crown a small eminence at Stenhouse. Burntisland is in the presbytery of Kirkealdy and synod of Fife; the living is worth £296. Pop. of parish (1861) 3670, (1891) 6174.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Burntown, a village near Gargunnoch, on the N border of Stirlingshire.

Burnturk, a village in Kettle parish, Fife, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE of Kettle village. Sandstone quarries are in its neighbourhood.

Burnweel. See BARN OF AYE.

Burnwynd, a hamlet in Ratho parish, Edinburghshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by W of Ratho village.

Burra, two islands, an ancient parish, and a *quoad sacra* parish in the S of Shetland. West Burra lies about $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of the nearest part of the mainland, and $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Lerwick, under which it has a post office; measures about 6 miles in length from NNE to SSW, and from $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile in breadth; has an irregular outline and a rocky coast; and consists, in a general view, of a hill ridge. East Burra, or House Island, extends parallel to most of West Burra, at nearly mid-distance between it and the mainland; approaches West Burra so near at one point as to communicate with it by a rude timber bridge; measures about 5 miles in length, and nearly 1 mile in mean breadth; and consists mostly of a hill ridge, but terminates on the S in a long, narrow, grassy peninsula. The ancient parish of Burra was united in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners with the ancient mainland parishes of Lerwick (3158 acres), Gulberwick (2793 acres), and Quarff (2098 acres), to form the reconstituted parish of Lerwick. The ancient parish consisted of the

following islands:—Papa (148 acres), West Burra (1781 acres), East Burra (1242 acres), Houss Ness (32 acres), South Hevera (147 acres), Little Hevera (29 acres), and six small islands (16 acres). The Heveras and Papa will be separately noticed. The *quoad sacra* parish (stipend, £120), in the presbytery of Lerwick and synod of Shetland, comprises, since 1833, the ancient parishes of Burra and Quarff. Pop. (1891) 987, of whom 488 belonged to West Burra, and 207 to East Burra. See BRESSAY.

Burrafrith, a romantic bay and a hamlet in the N of Unst island, Shetland. The bay penetrates the land about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile southward, has a sandy beach, and embosoms a holm or small pastoral island of its own name. The hamlet has a public school.

Burraness, a headland in North Yell parish, on the E side of Yell island, Shetland, confronting the sound between Fetlar and Unst, and terminating 2 miles NNW of the nearest part of Fetlar. It is crowned by a brough in almost entire condition.

Burravoe, a bay and a hamlet in Mid and South Yell parish, Shetland. The bay is in the SE of Yell island; opens $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by W of Lunaness on the mainland, and $26\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Lerwick; penetrates the land $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-north-eastward; is flanked on all the E side by a narrow peninsula, terminating in Burra Head; and forms a good harbour. The hamlet lies at the head of the bay; has a post office under Lerwick, and a public school; it gives name to a presbytery in the synod of Shetland. The presbytery comprehends the parishes of Mid Yell, Fetlar, Unst, with the *quoad sacra* parishes of North Yell and South Yell, and two mission stations, Mid Yell and Balta Sound. Pop. (1891) 5154, of whom 1338 were communicants of the Church of Scotland, the sums raised by them that year in Christian liberality amounting to £394.

Burravoe, a bay in Nesting parish, on the E side of the mainland of Shetland. A brough stood adjacent to it, but has been entirely demolished. Remains of an ancient wet dock or artificial harbour are on it, near the site of the brough, and indicate it to have been anciently a place of some commercial traffic.

Burravoe, a small bay in the NE of Northmaven parish, Shetland, 3 miles S of the northern entrance of Yell Sound.

Burray, an island and a parish in the S of Orkney. The island, lying between South Ronaldshay and Pomona, is separated from the former by Water Sound, 5 furlongs wide, from the latter by Holm Sound, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile wide. With an irregular outline, rudely resembling three limbs of a Greek cross, it measures about 4 miles in length from E to W, and from less than 1 mile to about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles in breadth; and is nearly all low land, incumbent on sandstone and schistose rocks. It has a post office under Kirkwall. Burray was the birthplace of the novelist, Mrs Mary Brunton or Balfour (1778-1818). Its inhabitants numbered 681 in 1891. The parish comprehends the islands of Burray, Hunda, and Glenisholm, and is united to South Ronaldshay. Its church, falling to ruin about 1800, is now substituted by a chapel of ease (stipend, £60 with manse). There is also a U.P. church; and a public school, with accommodation for 133 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 109, and a grant of £129. 7s.

Burrelton, a village in Cargill parish, Perthshire, adjacent to Woodside village and station, and near the Forfarshire boundary, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Cupar-Angus. It has a post office under Cupar-Angus, with money order and savings bank departments, a Free church, a public school, and a fair on the first Tuesday of July. Pop. with Woodside (1891) 452.

Burrian, an ancient castle in Cross and Burness parish, Orkney, now represented by only substructions and one large stone.

Burron, a hill, with remains of an ancient Caledonian camp, in Moushall parish, Dumfriesshire.

Burrow-Head, a headland in the SE of Stronsay island, Orkney, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by E of Lamb Head, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by W of Odness Head.

Burrow-Head, Wigtownshire. See BOROUGH-HEAD.

Burrow-Moor. See BOROUGH MUIR.

Burwick, a hamlet near the southern extremity of South Ronaldshay island, Orkney. It has a post office under Kirkwall, and a ferry to Caithness.

Busby, a manufacturing town, partly in the Lanarkshire parish of East Kilbride, but chiefly in Mearns and Cathcart parishes, Renfrewshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Glasgow by road, or $7\frac{1}{4}$ by a line (incorporated 1863) that diverges at Pollokshaws from the Barhead railway, and has a length thence of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles to Busby and $8\frac{1}{4}$ to East Kilbride. Standing on White Cart Water, and surrounded by charming scenery, it is a pleasant, well-built place, and has a post office under Glasgow with money order, savings bank and telegraph departments, a print-field, a cotton-mill (established 1780), a bleachfield, and chemical and starch works. There are an Established church, a Free church, a U.P. church (1836; 400 sittings), and St Joseph's Roman Catholic church (1880; 400 sittings). The town was in 1889 erected into the *quoad sacra* parish of Greenbank, comprising portions of Cathcart, Eastwood, and Mearns parishes. A public school, with accommodation for 540 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 314, and a grant of £311, 10s. Pop. (1841) 902, (1861) 1778, (1871) 2137, (1881) 2155, (1891) 1943, of whom 625 belonged to Lanarkshire; pop. of *q. s.* parish 2226.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 22, 1865.

Busby, an extensive moor on the mutual border of Ardrossan and West Kilbride parishes, Ayrshire, 3 miles N of Ardrossan town.

Bush, a hamlet near Lauriston station, in St Cyrus parish, S Kincardineshire.

Bush, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Glenecross parish, Edinburghshire, 2 miles N by E of Penicuik. It is the seat of Col. R. A. Trotter, owner of 1919 acres in the shire, valued at £2998 per annum, including £500 for minerals.

Bushyhill, a village in Cambuslang parish, Lanarkshire, one of the cluster of villages popularly regarded as CAMBUSLANG town, and situated near Cambuslang town, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Glasgow. It has shared in the general improvement and prosperity of Cambuslang, and has a public school.

Busta, an estate, with a mansion, in Delting parish, Shetland. A bay on its coast is called Bustavoe; and a granite monolith on it, about 17 feet in circumference and 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet high, is called the standing-stone of Busta.

Bute, an island in the N of Buteshire. It is surrounded by belts, bands, or expanses of the Firth of Clyde; and, round its northern half, is separated from Argyllshire only by the narrow semicircular belt called the Kyles of Bute. It extends south-south-eastward from the elbow of the Kyles at the mouth of Loch Riddon to the narrow part of the fair-way of the Firth of Clyde, only $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles wide between itself and Little Cumbrae island. Its greatest length, from Buttock Point south-south-eastward to Garroch Head, is $15\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth varies between 9 furlongs and $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles (from Bogony Point to Ardsalpsie Point); and its area, including INCHMARNOCK, is 31,836 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres or 493 square miles. The coast is indented on the E by Kames, Rothesay, and Kilchattan Bays; and on the W by Dunagail, Stravanan, Scalpsie, St Ninians, and Etterick Bays; and, for the most part rocky, includes some sweeps and stretches of fine beach. The interior seems at one time to have formed four hilly islands, and now is traversed by three low continuous, nearly parallel dingles, dividing it into four districts. The northernmost and largest of these, terminating in a dingle running from Kames Bay to Etterick Bay, has an extreme length and breadth of $5\frac{1}{2}$ and $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and here, from N to S, rise Muclich Hill (638 feet), North Hill of Bullochreg (769), Torran Turach (745), Kilbride Hill (836), Kames Hill (875), and Eenan Hill (538). The second district extends to a dingle running from Rothesay Bay to Scalpsie Bay; measures $4\frac{1}{2}$ by $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and attains 457 feet above sea-level near Kamesburgh, 530 near Auchiemore Wood, and 477 to the W of the head of Loch Fad; and has a more diversified coast than any of the other districts. The third extends to a dingle running from

Kilchattan Bay to Stravanan Bay; its highest point is Ardenergair (433 feet), $\frac{3}{4}$ mile E of Rothesay. The southernmost and smallest district measures only about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles by 2, and attains an elevation of 517 feet above sea-level near Kilchattan, of 485 in Torr Mor. The general surface displays a charming variety of contour and slope, containing thousands of points which command great sweeps of gorgeous prospect, and hundreds which command magnificent panoramic views. The views round the Kyles, up Lochs Striven, Riddon, and Fyne, down Kilbrannan Sound, over and along the Firth of Clyde, on to the mountains of Cowal, the swelling hills of Kintyre, the sublime peaks of Arran, the broken surfaces of the Cumbraes, and the rich, vast amphitheatre of Ayrshire, are among the most exquisite in Scotland. Rothesay Bay alone, with the views outward from it, is worth a long journey to behold. The other bays also, and the entire semicircle of the Kyles, are brilliantly picturesque. A chain of lakes—Lochs Ascog (1 mile \times 2 furl.), Fad ($2\frac{1}{2}$ \times $\frac{1}{2}$ mile), Quien (5 \times $2\frac{1}{4}$ furl.)—lies along most of the dingle separating the second district from the third. The longest rivulet, the Glenmore Burn, rises within 2 miles of the northern extremity, and runs $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by eastward, along Glen Mote, to the northern side of Etterick Bay. Other streams are numerous, but most have a run of less than 2, and none of more than $2\frac{1}{2}$, miles. Micaceous schist is almost the sole formation throughout the northern district; clay and chlorite slate, resting in parts on great beds of quartz, prevail throughout the second; the third is composed of Old Red sandstone; and trap rocks, erupted through and overlying Old Red sandstone, predominate throughout the southernmost district. Veins of copper ore were discovered near Kames Bay shortly before 1859; and other mineral deposits are lime, coal, and slate, but all of inferior quality.

The island is divided politically into Rothesay, North Bute, and Kingarth parishes; includes the *quoad sacra* parish of New Rothesay, and 2 chaptries in Rothesay; and is ecclesiastically in the presbytery of Dunoon and synod of Argyll. Its only town is Rothesay; and its chief villages are Port Bannatyne or Kamesburgh and Ascog. Its detailed features are noticed in articles on the parishes and principal localities; its antiquities and other special objects of interest under Rothesay, Kames, Dungyle, Blanes, and Mountstuart; and its history is given under Rothesay and the Hebrides. Bute gives the title of Earl in the peerage of Scotland, of Marquis in that of the United Kingdom, to a branch of the family of Stewart. The earldom was created in 1703, the marquise in 1796; and the former was preceded by the titles of Baron Crichton, Viscount of Ayr, and Earl of Dumfries. The Marquis takes also from places in Bute the titles of Baron Mountstuart and Viscount of Kingarth; and, from other Buteshire islands, the titles of Baron Cumbrae and Baron Inchmarnock. His lordship's Scottish seats are Mountstuart in Bute, and Dumfries House in Ayrshire. Valuation £79,293, including £54,704 for the burgh of Rothesay. Pop. (1801) 6106, (1831) 6830, (1841) 9499, (1851) 10,661, (1861) 9306, (1871) 10,064, (1881) 10,998, (1891) 11,735, of whom 985 were Gaelic speaking.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 21, 29, 1870-73. See J. Wilson, *Rothesay and the Island of Bute*, and Arch. McNeillage, 'On the Agriculture of Bute and Arran,' in the *Trans. of the Highland and Ag. Soc.*, 1881.

Bute, Kyles of. See KYLES OF BUTE.

Buteland, an estate of the Earl of Rosebery, in Currie parish, Edinburghshire. On it are several small subordinate properties, with handsome residences.

Bute, North, the northernmost parish of Bute island, Buteshire, bounded SE by Rothesay parish. Its church stands in the dingle between Kames and Etterick Bays, 1 mile W of Port Bannatyne, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Rothesay; and its post-town is Port Bannatyne under Rothesay, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. It comprehends Inchmarnock island, and the parts of Bute island north of Rothesay burgh; and, with an extreme length and breadth of 8 and 4 miles, has a land area of 14,756 acres. The natural features

have been already noticed under BUTE. The Marquis of Bute is the chief proprietor; but 3 others hold each an annual value of between £100 and £500, 9 of between £50 and £100, and 15 of from £20 to £50. North Bute parish is in the presbytery of Dunoon and synod of Argyll; the living is worth £172. The church, built in 1836 as an extension church at the cost of the Marquis of Bute, is an elegant structure, containing 700 sittings. There is also a Free church, and, under the North Bute and Rothesay laudward board, are the 3 public schools of Ballanlay, Kildavannan, and North Bute, which, with respective accommodation for 74, 45, and 144 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 42, 22, and 104, and grants of £49, 19s. 6d., £31, 10s. 6d., and £94, 5s. Valuation £12,196. Pop. (1861) 1140, (1871) 1166, (1881) 1206, (1891) 1385, of whom 178 were Gaelic speaking.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 29, 1873.

Buteshire, an insular county, engirt and intersected by the waters of the Firth of Clyde, and by them separated from Ayr and Argyll shires. It consists of the 7 islands of Bute, Arran, Big and Little Cumbrae, Holy Isle, Pladda, and Inchmarnock. Its greatest length, from the northern extremity of Bute to the southern extremity of Pladda, is 35½ miles; its greatest breadth, from the north-eastern extremity of Big Cumbrae to the western extremity of Inchmarnock, is 9½ miles, or from the south-eastern extremity of Holy Isle to Drumadon Point in the SW of Arran, 11½ miles; and its area is 139,432 acres, or 225 square miles. Its topography, hydrography, geognostic structure, history, and antiquities are noticed in our articles on its several islands. About one-third of the land is unprofitable, and a little more than one-sixth is under cultivation, great progress having been made in the course of the last half century, as shown by agricultural statistics. The farms are commonly held on leases of 19 years. The farm buildings in general are neat and comfortable; the arable lands are enclosed; and the condition of agriculture, by means of reclamation, draining, and the adoption of the best systems of husbandry, has been rapidly and highly improved.

The manufactures of Buteshire became a thing of the past with the collapse of the cotton-spinning, the weaving, and the shipbuilding of Rothesay. Fisheries of great extent are divided between the fishery districts of Rothesay and Campbeltown. General commerce is sufficiently extensive to give Rothesay the status of a head port; and extensive commerce, in the export of agricultural produce and in the import of miscellaneous small goods, is carried on by steamers plying from Greenock, Gourock, Wemyss Bay, Helensburgh, and Ardrossan to Rothesay, Millport, Brodick, and Lamlash. A great amount of local prosperity accrues also from large influx of summer visitors to Bute, Arran, and Big Cumbrae. Good roads traverse most parts, whilst easy communication with the railway system of the Scottish mainland is afforded by the steamers above referred to. The only royal burgh is Rothesay; the police burghs are Rothesay and Millport; and the chief villages are Kamesburgh, Ascog, Brodick, and Lamlash. Mansions are Mountstuart, Brodick Castle, Kirkmichael, Kames Castle, Hillside House, Ascog, Wyndham, and The Garrison. Hotels are numerous at all the centres of population in the county, and in Bute there is, besides, a large new hydropathic establishment, its predecessor having been burned down in 1891. According to *Miscellaneous Statistics of the United Kingdom*, 138,972 acres, with a total gross estimated rental of 486,178, were divided among 736 landowners; one holding 102,210 acres (rental, £18,702), one 29,279 (£19,575), one 3632 (£622), one 1833 (£1979), one 671 (£185), etc.

The county is governed (1891) by a lord lieutenant, a vice-lieutenant, 6 deputy-lieutenants, a sheriff, a sheriff-substitute, and 28 magistrates. Sheriff courts are held at Rothesay every Tuesday and Thursday; sheriff small debt courts at Rothesay every Thursday, at Brodick four times a year, and at Millport twice a year; justice of peace small debt courts at Rothesay and Brodick on the first Monday of every month; and quarter sessions at

Rothesay on the first Tuesday of March, May, and August, and the last Tuesday of October. The police force in 1891, exclusive of that in Rothesay burgh, comprised 9 men; and the salary of the chief constable was £160. The only prison is at Rothesay. The county, which, prior to the Reform Act of 1832, returned a member to parliament alternately with Caithness, has since returned a member for itself. The constituency in 1891 was 3195. The County Council is composed of sixteen elected members and four representatives appointed by the Town Council of Rothesay, and the Standing Joint-Committee of the County is composed partly of the County Council and partly of the Commissioners of Supply, while the County Road Board is a committee of the County Council. The value of real property, assessed at £22,541 in 1815, was £53,567 in 1855, and £124,413 in 1891. Pop. (1801) 11,791, (1821) 13,797, (1841) 15,740, (1851) 16,608, (1861) 16,331, (1871) 16,977, (1881) 17,666, (1891) 18,404, of whom 8211 were males and 10,139 females; 3511 were Gaelic-speaking. Houses (1891), 4001 uninhabited, 1373 vacant, and 9 building.

The registration county comprises 6 parishes, and had, in 1891, a population of 18,387. The island of Little Cumbrae was until 1891 in the parish of Ardrossan and the registration district of West Kilbride, Ayrshire, when the Boundary Commissioners, without disturbing the boundary between the counties of Bute and Ayr, transferred it to the parish and registration district of Cumbrae, Buteshire. All the parishes are assessed for the poor. The number of registered poor, in the year ending 14 May 1891, was 262; of casual poor, 5. The receipts for the poor, in the same year, were £5340, 18s., and the expenditure was £4570.

The civil county is divided politically into 6 *quoad civilia* parishes, ecclesiastically into 8 *quoad sacra* parishes, part of another, and a chapelry. Cumbrae and part of West Kilbride are in the presbyteries of Greenock and Irvine and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the other 7 are in the presbyteries of Dunoon and Kintyre and synod of Argyll, and in 1891 had 2247 communicants of the Church of Scotland. In 1890 the county had 21 schools (17 of them public), which, with accommodation for 3642 children, had 2640 on the registers, and 2207 in average attendance. See Jn. E. Reid's *History of the County of Bute*.

Buthland or Bathlin, a burn of Cadder parish, Lanarkshire, and Kirkintilloch parish, Dumbartonshire. It rises at Garnkirk, winds romantically round Bedlay old tarred mansion, pursues a north-westerly course, and falls into Luggie Water, at Oxbang, 1 mile E by S of Kirkintilloch town.

Butlaw, a village near South Queensferry, in Linlithgowshire.

Buttergask, a village in Ardoch parish, Perthshire, near Greenloaning station.

Butters Church, a hamlet and a *quoad sacra* parish in Ballantrae parish, Ayrshire. The hamlet lies in Glenapp, 6½ miles S of Ballantrae village, and has a post office of Glenapp under Girvan. The *quoad sacra* parish, called Glenapp, was constituted in 1874, and is in the presbytery of Stranraer and synod of Galloway. Stipend, £150, with a manse. The church was originally a chapel of ease, and was built at a cost of about £500. A public school, Glenapp, with accommodation for 42 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 6, and a grant of £19, 13s. 6d. Pop. of *q. s.* parish (1891) 144.

Butterstone, a post office village and a lake in Caputh parish, Perthshire, 4 miles ENE of Dumkeld. The village stands adjacent to the lake, and has a public school, with accommodation for 100 children. The lake is about ½ mile square, presents features of much beauty, contains pike, perch, and a few trout, and by a stream ¼ mile long is connected with the Loch of Lows.

Butt of Lewis (Gael. *Rudha Eòbhanais* or *Rudh' Eorripidh*), a promontory at the northern extremity of Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire, 22 miles N by E of Stornoway, and 40 W of the Sutherland coast. Rising sheer from the sea to a height of 142 feet, it presents a

bold rugged appearance, with rocks broken, hollowed, and splintered by the action of the sea; and has, at its western point, a romantic natural arch called the Eye. A lighthouse on the Butt, built about 1863, shows a fixed light, visible 18 nautical miles; and commands, from its light-room, a magnificent view along the E and W coasts of Lewis to Broad Bay and Dalbeg, and across the sea to the mountainous coasts of Ross-shire and Sutherland.

Butturich. See BATURICH.

Buxburn, a Donside hamlet in Newhills parish, Aberdeenshire, with a station on the Great North of Scotland, 4 miles NW of Aberdeen. At it are corn and paper mills, a public school, and St Machar's Episcopal church (1880; 300 sittings; cost, £1800), a cruciform Transition edifice. Pop. (1891) 509. See ARCHMILL.

Buy, a sea-loch or bay on the S side of Mull island, Argyllshire. It opens 3 miles ENE of Carsaig, and 11 WSW of the S end of Kerrera island; penetrates the land 3 miles north-eastward; is overhung, at its head, by Ben Buy (2352 feet) and Creachbeinn (2344); has, on a low rock at its head, an ancient square tower, called Lochbuy Castle, inhabited so late as 1740; and is flanked, at the E side of its mouth, by Laggan Point, containing the long, spacious, ramified cavern called Odin's Cave, supposed to have been a retreat of the Scandinavian pirates, in the times when they swept the Hebridean seas.

Bynack. See BOYNAC.

Byreburn, a mining locality on the mutual border of Langholm and Canonbie parishes, Dumfriesshire. Coal of a peculiar quality, intermediate between slate and pitch coal, is worked here; and a sandstone of greyish-white and yellowish-grey colour, with many vegetable moulds or fossils, is associated with the coal.

Byreclough, a place in Longformacus parish, Berwickshire, on Dye Water, near the boundary with Haddingtonshire, 4½ miles W of Longformacus village. A shooting-box of the Duke of Roxburgh, a curious old house adjacent to a farm hamlet, is here. A summit of the Lammermuirs, rising to an altitude of 1335 feet above sea-level, and springing on a range called Byreclough Ridge, is about a mile NW of the shooting-box. A cairn called the Mutiny Stones, 240 feet long, 75 broad, and 13 high, stands on the south-eastern slope of the ridge, and is thought to commemorate a desperate conflict, in 1402, between the Earl of Dunbar and Hepburn of Hailes.

Byth, a hamlet, a mansion, and a village, in King-Edward parish, Aberdeenshire. The hamlet lies on the NE border of the parish, 8 miles NE of Turriff. The mansion stands ¾ mile SW of the hamlet, was built in 1593 by Deacon Forbes of Byth, and has been modernised and enlarged. The village stands 1¼ mile SSE of the hamlet, bears the name of Newbyth, and will be separately noticed under that name.

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CAAF, a rivulet of NW Ayrshire. It rises on the confines of Kilbride and Largs parishes, runs 4 miles south-eastward through a tame moorish tract of country chiefly within the western border of Dalry parish; goes then about 2½ miles eastward along the boundary between Dalry parish on the left and Ardrossan and Kilwinning parishes on the right; rushes eventually along a deep rocky dell, in a series of rapids, with a fine terminal cascade more than 20 feet in leap; and falls into the Garnock about ½ mile below Dalry town. Its trouting has been spoiled by poachers using nets and quicklime.

Cabrach, a hamlet formerly in Aberdeenshire, and a parish partly also in Banffshire, but both placed by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 wholly in the county of Banff. The hamlet lies near the right bank of the Deveron, 4 miles N of that river's source, 11 WSW of Kennethmont station, and 17 SW of Hantly, and has a post office under Aberdeen, and fairs for sheep, cattle, and horses on the Thursday of July after Glass and the Friday of October before Kennethmont.

The parish is bounded NE by Glass and Gartly, E by Rhynie, Auchindoir, and Kildrummy, S by Glenbucket, SW and W by Inveraven, and NW by Mortlach. Its greatest length, from N to S is 10 miles, its greatest breadth is 8½ miles, and its land area is 34,103 acres. The surface is prevalently mountainous, pastoral, and bleak. The Buck of CABRACH (2368 feet) is on the eastern boundary. A continuous ridge goes from the Buck round all the south-eastern and southern boundary; another round all the south-western, western, and north-western boundary, including Round Hill (2187), Cairn na Bruar (2240), Cooks Cairn (2478), Carn Allt a'Chlainn (2036), Scant Hill (1937), Hill of Clais nan Earb (1717), Cairn Chrome (1651), Meikle Balloch Hill (1521), Garbet Hill (1645), and Craig Watch (1540); and an intermediate ridge goes from the southern boundary 5 miles through the centre of the parish, dividing its Aberdeenshire section from the southern part of its Banffshire section, and culminating in Threestone Hill (2065), Hill of Cairnhrallan (2029), Round Hill (1872), and Meikle Firbriggs (1776). The DEVERON, rising in the extreme S of the Aberdeenshire section, and gathering numerous head-streams thence, passes into the Banffshire section, and runs there partly in the interior, partly on the eastern

boundary; its valley, where it quits this parish, sinks to 800 feet above sea-level. The BLACKWATER rises in the extreme S of the Banffshire section, and runs about 8 miles, entirely within that section, to the Deveron, 2½ miles N by W of Cabrach hamlet. Bluish-grey limestone and greywacke are the prevailing rocks; and Upper Cabrach has a vein of serpentine. A deer forest of the Duke of Richmond and Gordon, with a shooting lodge, is on the Blackwater; and a shooting-box of another proprietor is at Lesmurdie Cottage. A residence or hunting seat of Malcolm Ceammor is traditionally said to have been at a place still called King's Haugh on Spewell Farm. The forces of Huntly and Errol mustered in Cabrach before the battle of GLENLIVET (1594). Aldivalloch, 1½ mile WSW of the hamlet, is celebrated through the spirited song, *Roi's Wife of Aldivalloch*, by Mrs Grant of Carron (1745-1814). The Duke of Richmond and Gordon is chief proprietor, and 3 other landowners hold a yearly value of less than £100. Cabrach is in the presbytery of Alford and synod of Aberdeen; the living amounts to £192. The parish church (230 sittings) was built in 1786, the U.P. church in 1873, and 2 public schools, called Upper and Lower Cabrach, with respective accommodation for 110 and 90 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 40 and 27, and grants of £32, 6s. and £24, 18s. 8d. Valuation of Aberdeenshire section £1346, 17s.; of Banffshire section £2124, 19s. 2d. Pop. (1831) 978, (1851) 750, (1861) 794, (1871) 773, (1881) 682, (1891) 646, of whom 340 were in Banffshire.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 75, 85, 1876.

Caddoll, an estate in Fern and Eddertoun parishes, Ross-shire, on the reach of Dornoch Firth above Meikle Ferry, 7 miles WNW of Tain. A very ancient baronial castle stood on it, adjacent to the Firth, but has all disappeared except two or three vaults.

Caddel, a burn in the N of Ardrossan parish, Ayrshire, running to the Caaf.

Cadden, an ancient fortification on the coast of Kinneff parish, Kincardineshire, on the top of a peninsular rock near Kinneff Castle. It appears to have had, on the land side, a moat and a drawbridge.

Cadder, a small village and a parish of NW Lanarkshire. The village stands on the site of a fort of Antoninus' Wall, adjacent to the Forth and Clyde Canal, 2

mile S of the river Kelvin, 2½ miles WSW of Kirkintilloch, 1½ mile N by E of its post-town and station, Bishopbriggs, and 5 miles N by E of Glasgow. It consists of the neat parish church (1830; 740 sittings) and a number of cottages scattered picturesquely among trees. Cadder House stands in the north-western vicinity of the village; is a mansion partly ancient, partly modern; and was the scene of a dispensation of the Lord's Supper by John Knox.

The parish contains also the villages of Bishopbriggs, Moodiesburn, Garnkirk, Auchenairst, Auchinloch, Chryston, Muirhead, Mollenburn, and part of Lenzie. It is bounded N by Campsie in Stirlingshire and Kirkintilloch and Cumbernauld in Dumbartonshire, E by New Monkland, SE by Old Monkland, S by Barony of Glasgow, NW by New Kilpatrick and Baldernock in Stirlingshire. Its greatest length, from E to W, is 9 miles; its breadth, from N to S, varies between 1 and 4 miles; and its area is 14,088 acres, of which 119½ are water. Sections of the Fourth and Clyde Canal and of the North British and Caledonian railways traverse the parish, whose surface is either quite level or gently undulated, attaining 319 feet above sea-level near Auchenairst, 349 at Hillhead, and 343 at Hill of Garnqueen in the SE, whilst sinking along the Kelvin to less than 100 feet. The Kelvin flows about 5½ miles along the northern boundary; and used here to overflow its banks, but is now confined by a great earthen mound. Two lakes, one of them called Bishop Loch (1 × ½ mile), lie on the southern boundary; and two small lakes lie in the SE corner. An extensive lake in the centre was early in last century drained by a tunnel 1 mile long cut through a rising ground, in places at 90 feet below the surface. A large aggregate of the land is variously deep moss, spongy moor, or stiff soil incumbent on retentive substrata; so that it might be expected to act deleteriously on the climate; yet it does not appear to produce any unhealthy effect. The rocks are variously eruptive, Devonian, carboniferous, and recent; and they include excellent building stone, abundance of limestone, large store of valuable ironstone, some coal, and extensive beds of fireclay. These are all worked in various localities—the fireclay in a great establishment at Garnkirk. The soil, on the banks of the Kelvin and of two streams in the E, is partly alluvial; elsewhere, on by far the greater part of the area, is a deep, stiff clay, containing scarcely a stone, and generally tinged far down with iron. A large aggregate of moss has been reclaimed; but more than 300 acres are still in a state of deep moss, whilst nearly 9000 acres are under cultivation. All the parish, except the estate of Cadder and the Midtown of Bedlay, belonged formerly to the see of Glasgow; and several places in it, such as Bishopbriggs, Bishop's Moss, and Bishop Loch bear names commemorative of this connection. The principal modern mansions are Garnkirk, Gartloch, Springfield, Bedlay, Robroyston, Gartferry, and Gladhall. Chief antiquities are vestiges of ANTONINUS' WALL and the site of the house at Robroyston, where Sir William Wallace was betrayed. James Boyd, first Protestant archbishop of Glasgow, Dr Wm. Leechman (1706-85), principal of Glasgow university, and Thomas Muir, Esq., banished in 1793 for advocating the principles of reform, were connected with Cadder. Nine proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 33 of between £100 and £500, 19 of from £50 to £100, and 37 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Glasgow and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, this parish is ecclesiastically divided into Cadder and CHRYSTON, the former having 2156 inhabitants in 1891, and its living amounting to £300. Under a board for the whole parish are 8 public schools, Auchenairst, Auchinloch, Bishopbridge, Cadder, Chryston, Gartloch, Lochfauld, and Stepps Road. With total accommodation for 1446 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 900, and grants of £918, 16s. Valuation £49,508, ss. 5d. Pop. (1801) 2120, (1831) 3048, (1861) 5948, (1871) 6464, (1881) 6965, (1891) 8232.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 30, 31, 1866-67.

Caddon, a rivulet of the Selkirkshire section of Stow parish, rising at 1800 feet above sea-level close to the

meeting-point with Edinburgh and Peebles shires. Thence it runs 7 miles eastward, southward, and south-eastward to the vicinity of Clovenfords; and then goes 1 mile southward, along the boundary between Stow and Galashiels parishes, to the river Tweed at Caddonfoot. It gathers its head-streams on the sheep-farm of Caddonhead; passes early between Great Law and Maiden Law, with altitudes above sea-level of 1666 and 1647 feet; and traverses thence a pleasant pastoral vale. Its upper reaches abound with small burn trout, from its lower GALASHIELS draws its water supply.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 25, 1865.

Caddonfoot, a hamlet on the mutual border of Stow and Galashiels parishes, and a *quoad sacra* parish partly also in Selkirk, Yarrow, and Innerleithen parishes, Selkirkshire. The hamlet lies on the rivulet Caddon, at its influx to the Tweed, adjacent to the Galashiels and Peebles railway, 3 miles WSW of Galashiels; straggles about a mile along both the Caddon and the Tweed; includes the farm-hamlet of Caddonlee and the hamlet of Clovenfords; is a good central station for anglers; and has a station of the name of Clovenfords, a post office of the same name under Galashiels, with money order and savings bank departments, and a railway telegraph office, an inn, a parochial church, a public school, and a subscription library. The church, erected in 1861 and enlarged in 1875, is a handsome edifice with 360 sittings; the school, rebuilt in 1875, with accommodation for 136 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 111, and a grant of £118, 4s. 6d. The parish, formed in 1870, is in the presbytery of Selkirk and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; its stipend is £100. Pop. (1891) 723.

Cademuir (Gael. *caed-an-mohr*, 'place of the great battle'), a broad-backed upland on the mutual border of Peebles and Manor parishes, Peeblesshire, flanking the eastern bank of Manor Water, and culminating at 1359 feet above sea-level, 2 miles SSW of Peebles town. Its surface is strewn with remains of ancient camps and with nearly 200 monumental stones, the transmuted vestiges of military possession by successively the Caledonians and the Romans, and of a great and sanguinary local conflict.

Cadzow, a burn, a ruined castle, an ancient forest, a village, and a *quoad sacra* parish of Lanarkshire. The burn issues from Wackenwae Well in Glasford parish; runs 5 miles north-eastward to the town of Hamilton; goes through that town into the Duke of Hamilton's lower park; runs there subterraneously through a long artificial conduit; and falls into the Clyde at the old ford below Hamilton Bridge. The Castle stands in the gorge of Avon Water, 1½ mile SSE of Hamilton; crowns a rock, nearly 200 feet high, on the left side of the stream; dates from the times of a semi-fabulous prince of the name Caw, prior to the era of the Scoto-Saxon monarchy; was a royal residence in the times of Alexander II. and Alexander III.; passed, in the time of Robert Bruce, to the family of Hamilton; appears to have been often repaired or rebuilt; consists now of little more than a keep, covered with ivy and embosomed with wood; and looks, amid the grandeur and romance of the gorge around it, like 'sentinel of fairy-land.' The ancient forest surrounds the castle; contains, on the opposite side of the Avon, the summer-house of Chatelherault, built in 1730; is now called Hamilton Wood; comprises about 1500 acres; is browsed by a noble herd of fallow deer; and is the scene of Sir Walter Scott's famous ballad of *Cadzow Castle*. Of it Mr Rt. Hutchison writes, in *Transactions of the Highland and Agricultural Society* (1881):—'The two enclosures now known as the Upper and Lower Oaks, the former comprising 70 and the latter 83 acres, form together part only of the old forest, because adjoining these remains on the S and W are old pasture fields and plantations, surrounded by a stone wall 6 feet high and about 3 miles in extent, which was most probably the boundary in feudal times. The soil is admirably adapted for the growth and development of oaks, being a clayey loam resting on a subsoil of clay. In some places the trees stand quite close together, while in others they stand

singly, or seem to surround large open patches covered with rich natural pasture, on which the famous breed of native wild white cattle browse. The principal characteristic of all these trees is their shortness of stature, combined with great girth of trunk, one of the largest, with a bole 30 feet long, girthing 26 feet 7 inches at 1 yard from the ground. Most of the trees, even the healthiest among them, are fast hastening to decay. No planting, pruning, or felling is allowed within the forest. Tradition states that these oaks were planted about 1140 by David, Earl of Huntingdon, afterwards King of Scotland; but this cannot be looked upon as a fact, for their appearance and habit clearly point to their self-sown existence.' Since this was written, five of these monarchs of the Chase were levelled by the great storm of 26 Nov. 1889; so huge and weighty were their fallen trunks, that in June 1891 they had to be blown up with dynamite. The wild cattle are pure white save for black muzzles, hoofs, and tips of the horns; show their wildness chiefly in their fear of man; have only one recognised leader among the bulls; and number some 16 bulls and 40 cows. Regarded commonly as survivors of our native wild cattle, they are held by Dr Jn. Alex. Smith, in his *Notes on the Ancient Cattle of Scotland*, to be rather 'an ancient fancy breed of domesticated cattle preserved for their beauty in the parks of the nobility.' The ancient parish, quite or nearly identical with Hamilton parish, was variously called Cadyhou, Cadyou, and Cadzow; and it changed that name to Hamilton in 1445. See AVON and HAMILTON. Pop. of village, (1891) 1046; of *q. s.* parish, 10,033.

Caerlanrig, a hamlet and a quondam chapelry in Cavers parish, Roxburghshire. The hamlet lies on the river Teviot, 6 miles NE of that river's source, and 10 miles SW of Hawick; and was the place where the famous Border freebooter, John Armstrong of Gilknochie, and a number of his companions, were hanged on trees by James V. The chapelry comprised a tract 16 miles long and 6 miles broad, contiguous to Dumfriesshire, and down the course of the Teviot; and is now included in the *quoad omnia* parish of Teviothead.

Caerlaverock, a coast parish of Dumfriesshire, lying on the Solway Firth, between the rivers Nith and Lochar. It has its church on the Lochar, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Ruthwell station, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ SE by S of Dumfries; it contains the village of Glencaple on the Nith, of Bankend on the Lochar, each with a post office under Dumfries, as well as the villages of Greenmill, Glenhovan, Shearington, and Blackshaw, and part of the village of Kelton. It is bounded N by Dumfries parish; E by the Lochar, separating it from Torthorwald, Mouswald, and Ruthwell; S by the Solway Firth, separating it from England; W by the river Nith, separating it from Kirkcudbrightshire. Its greatest length, from NNW to SSE, is $4\frac{3}{4}$ miles; its breadth, from E to W, varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and 4 miles; and its area is 18,320 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 12,382 $\frac{1}{2}$ are foreshore, and 274 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The coast along the Solway, from the mouth of the Lochar and up the Nith to Glencaple, measures about 6 miles; is all low and flat; suffers slow but sure encroachments by the tide; has a shore of sandy mud which used to serve as a kind of manure; and is subtended, on to the low water channels of the Solway and the Nith, by the 12,382 acres of foreshore called Blackshaw Bank, which is swept by the 'bore' for which the Firth is celebrated, and, at low water, is left an expanse of naked sand. The Nith widens from 2 furlongs at Kelton, to 5 at Glencaple, and to 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles opposite Bowhouse Scar; and, while all swept by the same tremendous tide as the open Solway, deep enough to take sea-borne ships with a rush up to Kelton, is so very low at neap ebb tides as, in many parts, to be fordable over to the Galloway shore. The Lochar, on the contrary, has very little estuary, is mostly a sluggish stream, and places, on its Caerlaverock bank, a belt of the great Lochar Moss, traversable only by pedestrians, and by even them only in the driest months of summer. The surface rises in Wardlaw Hill to 313, and at Banks Plantation to 300, feet above sea-level, these summit-points command-

ing extensive views over Dumfriesshire, Galloway, the Solway, and Cumberland. The views all along the Nith, as well on the shore as on the higher grounds, are confronted, on the Galloway side, by the woods of Arbigland, Newabbey, and Kirkconnel, and by the grand masses of the Criffell mountains. Much of the scenery around the Nith's mouth, specially in the neighbourhood of Caerlaverock Castle, is graphically described in Sir Walter Scott's *Guy Mannering*; yet, with poetical licence, is combined in his pictures of it with salient features borrowed from still more picturesque tracts on the Kirkcudbrightshire coast. Caerlaverock Castle itself is Sir Walter Scott's 'Ellangowan,' and forms by far the most interesting object, not only in Caerlaverock parish, but in a great extent of the SW of Scotland. Old Red sandstone is the predominant rock; has long been quarried for building purposes; is traditionally said to have been the material for Sweetheart Abbey at Newabbey village; and, at one place on the glebe, has been occasionally worked into excellent grindstones. The soil, in some parts peaty, in others a poor alluvium, is mostly a light loam. About 5320 acres are arable, and 126 under wood. At Wardlaw Hill, with remains of Roman and native works, Skene places Uxellum, a town of the Selgovæ, mentioned by Ptolemy. Dr John Hutton, first physician to Queen Anne, was a native of Caerlaverock, built a manse for its minister, and bequeathed £1000 for the benefit of its inhabitants. Marmaduke Constable-Maxwell, fourteenth Baron Herries (b. 1837; suc. 1876), of Everingham Park in Yorkshire, is chief proprietor, 1 other holding an annual value of more than £500, 2 of between £100 and £500, and 5 of from £20 to £50. Caerlaverock is in the presbytery and synod of Dumfries: the living is worth £210. The parish church (1781: 470 sittings) contains in its churchyard the grave of Robert Paterson (d. 1801), the 'Old Mortality' of Sir Walter Scott, over which a neat monument was raised in 1869 by Messrs Black of Edinburgh, the well-known publishers of Scott's novels. There is also a Free church at Glencaple; and Glencaple and Hutton Hall schools, with respective accommodation for 85 and 170 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 69 and 108, and grants of £62, 5s. 6d. and £121, 8s. 6d. Valuation £4985, 16s. Pop. (1801) 1014, (1841) 1297, (1861) 1248, (1871) 1151, (1881) 1051, (1891) 921.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 6, 10, 1803-64.

Caerlaverock Castle stands near the mouth of the Nith, 7 miles SSE of Dumfries. Its site is low ground, not many feet above high water mark; was naturally surrounded with lakelets and marshes; and is sometimes called, by the country folk, the 'Island of Caerlaverock.' It naturally possessed considerable military strength, of the same kind as that of many old fastnesses situated on islets or in the midst of great morasses; it has always possessed also the strong military defensiveness of near environment by the surging tides of the Solway and the Nith, and of the impassableness, by an army of the great Lochar Moss, or of being so situated that it can be approached, even at many miles distance, only along the sort of isthmus between the upper part of Lochar Moss and the Nith; and it, therefore, was in the highest degree, likely to be selected at an early period as a suitable place for a great artificial fort. A tradition says that a castle was founded on it by Lewarch Og, son of Lewarch Hen, about four centuries prior to the time when Ptolemy wrote his *Geography*, and bore the name of Caer-Lewarch-Og; but that tradition is utterly unsupported by either record, monument, or circumstantial evidence. Camden supposes the site to have been occupied by the Roman *Caerbantorigum*, mentioned by Ptolemy; but his conjecture is disproved by the very name *Caerbantorigum*, which signifies 'the fort on the conspicuous height.' A Roman station may have been here—can almost be affirmed, from the discovery or existence of Roman remains and Caledonian forts at no great distance, to have really been here; but that station neither was *Caerbantorigum*, nor has left any vestiges. The earliest known fort or castle on the spot comes first into view about the year

1220, or a little later; and one which stood upon it then belonged to the family of Maccuswell or Maxwell, the progenitors of Lord Herries, the proprietor of the present pile. The castle was occupied for a night in 1296 by Sir William Wallace; and it was taken by 3000 English under Edward I. in July 1300, after a two days' defence by only 60 men. A Norman-French rhymed chronicle of the siege, written by a contemporary Franciscan friar, is preserved in the British Museum; and this, as rendered by its editor, Sir Harris Nicolas (1828), says respecting the fortress:—'Caerlaverock was so strong a castle that it did not fear a siege; therefore, the king came himself, because it would not consent to surrender. But it was always furnished for its defence, whenever it was required, with men, engines, and provisions. Its shape was like that of a shield, for it had only three sides, all round, with a tower on each angle; but one of them was a double one, so high, so long, and so large that under it was the gate, with a drawbridge well made and strong, and a sufficiency of other defences; and it had good walls and good ditches filled to the edge with water.' The castle, towards the end of August, was the scene of a notable interview between Edward I. and Rt. Winchelsea, Archbishop of Canterbury; and it remained some years in possession of the English. It speedily reverted to the Scots, though in what year or by what means is not known; and, in 1312, it was held by Sir Eustace Maxwell, in support of the cause of Bruce. Sir Eustace maintained it against a second siege by the English, and successfully resisted them, but afterwards saw cause to dismantle it; and he received from Robert Bruce a charter of compensation 'for demolishing the castle of Caerlaverock.' The pile, however, appears to have been soon and effectually repaired; for, in 1347, after a shifting of the political scenes, it was held by the son of Eustace Maxwell as liegeman of Edward III. Sir Roger Kirkpatrick of Closeburn, who remained faithful to the cause of Bruce amidst the general defection of the nobles, re-took the castle from the English in 1355, and he is usually said to have then levelled it to the ground; but he at least retained as much of it as was suitable for habitation; for he lived in it for two years, and was assassinated in it by Sir James Lindsay in 1357. The castle of his times, and of previous times, is sometimes alleged to have stood on other ground than the present pile, and at some distance; but it clearly has left both its general outline and some of its courses of masonry in the present pile. A new castle, on the old foundations, appears to have begun to be built near the end of the 14th century, and is presumed to have been completed about the year 1420; and that new edifice, with the exception of extensive dilapidation, continues to stand till the present day. Murdoch, Duke of Albany, was confined in it on a charge of high treason in 1425; and the round tower at its western angle is still called Murdoch's Tower. Several of the Lords Maxwell, its proprietors, in the latter half of the 15th century and the former half of the 16th, made it a base of warlike operations against the North of England. James V., at the time of the rout of the Scots at Solway Moss in 1542, was residing in the castle, which, delivered over by Lord Maxwell to Henry VIII. in Oct. 1545, was by him retained till the following May. The English, under the Earl of Sussex, again besieged and took it in 1570; and they partially destroyed it in 1572. Robert, first Earl of Nithsdale, repaired it in 1638, and probably then added to it its most modern existing portions. The Covenanters, under Lieut. Colonel Home, besieged it in 1640; and, after a siege of fully 13 weeks, obtained possession. The castle, from that time, ceased to be an object of contest, or even a place of habitation. The Maxwells, its proprietors, transferred their residence to a small square tower on the margin of the Lochar, near the parish church. Robert, the second Earl of Nithsdale, commonly called the Philosopher, died in that tower in 1667. William, the fifth Earl, suffered attainder for participation in the rebellion of 1715, but escaped forfeiture of his estates by his having disposed them to his son in 1712; and they

afterwards passed, through failure of direct male representatives, to the Maxwells of TERREGLES. The title of Baron Herries had been held by these Maxwells from 1489, but was attained in 1716, and it was revived in favour of William Constable Maxwell by Act of Parliament in 1848, and by adjudication of the House of Lords in 1858. The courts of Caerlaverock then rang with festivity and rejoicing, at a great gathering of the tenants of the estate. The pile, though long a ruin, still wears a noble and imposing aspect. Presenting a grand entrance gateway, flanked by massive round towers, and surmounted by the Maxwells' motto, 'I bid ye fair,' it diverges from those front flanking towers right and left, and is closed in the rear by an elevation connecting the ends of the diverging elevations, so as to have a triangular outline enclosing a triangular court, which, measuring 123 feet along each of the divergent sides, is three lofty stories high. It exhibits on the E side, which was the family residence, finely sculptured doors and windows; it shows there decorative features of the best periods of ancient Scottish domestic art, similar to those in Linlithgow Palace; it had machicolated gates, successive portullises, and two deep wide fosses; it retains, in a ruinous condition, many of the features, both exterior and interior, which characterised it as a fortress; and, studied as a whole, either in itself or in connection with its surroundings, it has very high attractions for both the artist and the antiquary. See Sir Wm. Fraser's *Book of Caerlaverock; Memoirs of the Maxwells, Earls of Nithsdale, Lords Maxwell and Herries* (2 vols., Edinb. 1873).

Caerwinning, a hill in Dalry parish, Ayrshire. It rises to an altitude of 634 feet above sea-level, shows vestiges of ancient fortification, and is believed to have been occupied by the Scottish army immediately before the battle of Largs.

Caillam or **Chaluim**, a loch of NW Caithness, on the SE border of Reay parish, 9 miles SSE of Reay church. Lying 435 feet above sea-level, it has an extreme length and breadth of 5 and 4 furlongs, and communicates with Cnocglass Water, and it abounds in trout.

Caillcach, a headland in Lochbroom parish, Ross-shire.

Caillach. See INCH-CAILLACH.

Cainail, a glen in Torosay parish, Mull island, Argyllshire. It runs parallel to Glenforsa; measures about 3 miles in length; and is flanked, on the NW side, by Benmore. A considerable lake is in its lower part.

Caiplich, an upland moss on the mutual border of Inverness, Kiltarlity, and Urquhart parishes, Invernessshire. It occupies a plateau nearly 10 miles long; and it contains many sepulchral cairns, supposed to indicate the sites of early clan conflicts. A hamlet of its own name is on the Kiltarlity part of it.

Cairn, a ridge of high hills on the mutual border of Edinburgh and Peebles shires, extending from the Pentland range south-westward to the vicinity of Lanarkshire. East Cairn and West Cairn are their highest summits; culminate respectively $6\frac{1}{2}$ and $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Currie village; and have altitudes of 1839 and 1844 feet above sea-level.

Cairn, a hamlet, with a public school, in Kirkconnel parish, Dumfriesshire.

Cairn, a small river of Dumfriesshire and Kirkcudbrightshire. It is formed, in the parish of Glencairn, by the confluence of the Castlefern, the Craigdarroch, and the Dalwhat burns, a little below the village of Moniaive; it runs about 6 miles south-eastward through the lower half of Glencairn parish; it then goes $1\frac{3}{4}$ mile southward along the boundary between Glencairn and Dunscore; it then receives, on its right bank, the tributary Glenessland Burn; it then runs $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, partly along the boundary between Dunscore and Holywood and partly across a narrow part of Holywood, to the boundary between Dumfriesshire and Kirkcudbrightshire; it then runs nearly 2 miles east-south-eastward along that boundary to a confluence with the Cluden, coming in from Kirkcudbrightshire; and it thenceforth, over a distance of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles eastward, to a confluence with the Nith, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of Dumfries, bears the name of Cluden. Its

entire length of course, from the sources of the Castlefern and the Dalwhat to the mouth of the Cluden, is about 23 miles. Its scenery, in most parts, is finely picturesque; and its waters, in their lower reaches, contain great store of excellent trout, some sea-trout and herlings, a few pike, and a tolerable quantity of a peculiar variety of salmon.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 9, 1863.

Cairnacay, a hill-range (1605 feet) in Inveraven parish, Banffshire, deflecting south-westward from Ben Kinnes, and separating the lower or Ballindalloch section of Inveraven from the upper or Glenlivet section.

Cairnraig or **Carnach**, a rivulet of Creich and Dornoch parishes, SE Sutherland. Rising at 800 feet above sea-level, it flows 11½ miles, southward and eastward, through Lochs Craicail Mòr, Craicail Beag, and BUIE, and falls into the river Fleet at Torroboll, 1½ mile above which a salmon-ladder, 378 yards long, enables salmon to ascend to Loch Buié, in spite of a fall more than 60 feet high.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 102, 103, 1881-78.

Cairnaire, a large and very ancient cairn in Inverness parish, Inverness-shire, on the coast, a considerable way within flood-mark, at some distance from the mouth of the river Ness. It stands close to the fair way into Inverness harbour; and is surmounted by a beacon to warn vessels against collision with it.

Cairnaqueen, an ancient tumulus in Crathie parish, Aberdeenshire, about 1½ mile W of Crathie church. It stands on the ground where the ancient clans of Deeside used to gather for battle, and it furnished them with their slogan or war-cry. It is now planted with thriving trees, and it commands a very fine view of Lochnagar.

Cairnavain, an ancient stone tumulus on the N border of Orwell parish, Kinross-shire. It crowns a spur of the Ochil Hills, and was once so large that it furnished many hundred cart-loads of stones for the building of dykes about the year 1810, when it was found to contain a rude stone coffin, with an ursa full of bones, and with a small bone ornament, and when it was earnestly but vainly investigated for discovery of a supposed treasure, indicated in an old-world rhyme:—

'In the Dryburn Well, beneath a stane,
You'll find the key of Cairnavain,
That will mak' a' Scotland rich ane by ane.'

Cairnan, a place on the Crinan Canal, in Argyllshire, 2½ miles WNW of Lochgilphead, under which it has a post office. Nine locks are here on the canal, and occasion so much detention that travellers usually get out and walk. An inn here serves as a good station for anglers.

Cairnanno, a hamlet, with a public school, in New Deer parish, Aberdeenshire. The school was a Madras one: passed to jointly the parochial boards of New Deer, Monquhitter, and Millbrex; and, with accommodation for 164 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 83, and a grant of £78, 0s. 6d.

Cairnbeddie, a hamlet in St Martin's parish, Perthshire, 6½ miles NNE of Perth. A circular mound is here, about 230 feet in diameter, surrounded by a moat 30 feet wide; bore originally the name of Caerbod or Caerbeth, signifying 'the Castle of Macbeth,' and corrupted into Cairnbeddie; is traditionally said to have been the site of a residence of Macbeth, prior to his removing to Dunsinnan; and, opened in 1822, was found to inhere many sword-handles and small horse-shoes.

Cairnbran, a large cairn in Loth parish, Sutherland, fabled to have been the place where Ossian's dog Bran died and was buried.

Cairnbroe or **Carnbroe**. See BOTHWELL.

Cairnbulg, a headland, a fishing village, and an estate in Rathen parish, Aberdeenshire. The headland is situated 2½ miles ESE of Fraserburgh, and 6½ NW of Rattray Head. The village stands immediately SE of the headland, in the western vicinity of Inverallochy village; is included in Inverallochy *quoad sacra* parish; and carries on a herring fishery in connection with Fraserburgh. The estate belonged anciently to the Comyns; was confiscated to the Crown, with their other estates, in 1308; went by gift of Robert Bruce, in 1316, to the Earl of Ross; passed in 1375, to Sir Alexander

Fraser, ancestor of the Lords Saltoun; and belongs now to a branch of the family of Gordon. Its ancient mansion, a strong baronial castle on Philorth Water, ¾ mile from the sea, seems to have been a structure of imposing magnitude; and is now represented mainly by a square tower, which stood at the W angle; has prodigiously thick walls; and figures conspicuously amid the flat surrounding country.

Cairnburgbeg and **Cairnburgmore**, two of the five principal isles of the Treshnish group in the Argyllshire Hebrides, 3 miles W of the mouth of Loch-Tua in Mull, 5 NNW of Staffa, and 5½ SE of Coll. Their coasts, in general, are cliffs from 40 to 45 feet high; and their surfaces rise in hemispherical outline to an altitude of about 300 feet above sea-level, and look, at some distance, almost like models of two ancient shields. A fortalice of the Macleans was on Cairnburgmore; is supposed to have been erected on the site of a Scandinavian work of the 13th century; became, at the time of the Reformation, the receptacle of books and records from Iona; sustained a siege by a detachment of Cromwell's army, with the result of destruction to the Iona documents; was the scene of repeated conflicts in the rebellion of 1715; and is now in a state of ruin. A barrack was built on Cairnburgbeg in the 17th century, and, as to its walls, is still tolerably entire.

Cairchunaig, a mountain on the mutual border of Kincardine and Rosskeen parishes, Ross-shire. It has an altitude of about 3000 feet above sea-level; and precious stones have been found on it similar to those on the Cairngorm Mountains.

Cairncubie, copious springs in Dunfermline parish, Fife, on the town-moor, about 1½ mile NE of Dunfermline town. They supply Dunfermline with water, and were first connected with the town by pipes about 1797.

Cairndow, a hamlet in Lochgoilhead parish, Argyllshire, on the E side of Loch Fyne, near its head, 9½ miles NE of Inverary. It has a hotel, enjoys regular steamboat communication with Inverary, is the centre of a mission of the Church of Scotland, and has a public school. At it Wordsworth and his sister Dorothy passed the night of Aug. 29, 1804.

Cairness, an estate, with a mansion, and a hamlet, in Lomay parish, NE Aberdeenshire. The mansion, on the brow of a gentle acclivity, 2½ miles NE of Lomay station, was built in 1791-99, after designs by Jas. Playfair, at a cost of £25,000; is a handsome edifice in the Grecian style, with tetrastyle Ionic portico; and has fine pleasure-grounds: its owner, Charles Thomas Gordon, Esq., holds 4100 acres in the shire, valued at £3476 per annum. The hamlet has a post office under Lomay railway sub-post office.

Cairney. See CAIRNIE.

Cairneyhill, a village on the S border of Carnock parish, Fife, 1 mile E by N of Torryburn, and 3 miles WSW of Dunfermline. It has a post office under Dunfermline, a U. P. church (1752; 400 sittings), a seminary for young ladies, a public school, and a public library; most of its inhabitants are employed in the linen manufactory.

Cairnfield, an estate, with a mansion, in Rathven parish, NW Banffshire, 1½ mile SE of Portgordon. Its owner, Jn. Gordon, Esq., holds 3175 acres in the shire, valued at £1363 per annum.

Cairngall, an estate, with a mansion, and with extensive granite quarries, in Longside parish, Aberdeenshire, in the eastern vicinity of Longside village, and near the Peterhead branch of the Formartine and Buchan railway, 5 miles W of Peterhead. The estate, so late as 1804, was little better than waste moorland; but, prior to 1841, was reclaimed and improved into a condition of high productiveness and order. The quarries are situated in a hill which rises about 60 feet above the circumjacent ground; they are worked to some distance right into the hill, and then worked downward; and they have furnished some of the largest and finest blocks for public works and public buildings in the kingdom. They began to be worked, to any considerable extent, in 1808, when they were selected to furnish the blocks for

the foundations of the Bell Rock lighthouse; and they furnished the blocks for the foundations of the present London Bridge, for the pier-walls of the new Houses of Parliament, for the pillars in Covent Garden Market, for the great polished monolithic pillars of St George's Hall in Liverpool, and for the pedestals of several great public statues.

Cairngorm, a mountain on the mutual border of Kirk-michael parish, Banffshire, and Abernethy parish, Inverness-shire, culminating 3 miles NE of the summit of Ben Maedhui in Aberdeenshire. It has a conical outline, and rises to an altitude of 4084 feet above sea-level. It is clothed, over much of its sides, with Scotch pine forest, and covered on the top almost all the year round with snow; and it stands grouped with a great knot of the Grampians, occupying an area of about 140 square miles, sending off the head-streams of the river Dee, and of great affluents of the Spey, and often called from it the Cairngorm group. The mountain-masses of the group are broken and dissected by intervening depressions and intersecting glens; their rocks are famous for containing numerous specimens of the beautiful rock crystals popularly called Cairngorm stones; the shoulders of some of them break down in stupendous precipices; the shoulders and skirts of others are clothed with verdure or with forest; and some of the glens display sublime features of alpine scenery.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 74, 1877. See Hill Burton's *Cairngorm Mountains*.

Cairnharrow. See ANWOTH.

Cairn Hill, an estate in Craigie parish, Ayrshire. The mansion, on Cessnock Water, 5 miles SSE of Kilmarnock, is partly modern, partly a strong, old, well-preserved tower; its owner, Jn. W. Ferrier-Hamilton, Esq. (b. 1863, suc. 1872), holds 1719 acres in the shire, valued at £2687 per annum.

Cairnhill, an estate in New Monkland parish, NE Lanarkshire, 1 mile S by W of Airdrie, with a seat of Jn. More Nisbett, Esq. (b. 1826, suc. 1843), owner of 1326 acres in the shire, valued at £4470 per annum, including £2796 for minerals.

Cairnholy, a tumulus in Kirkmabreck parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, 1 mile N of the shore of Wigtown Bay, and 6 miles SE of Creetown. One tradition calls it the grave of the mythical king Galdus, who is fabled to have given his name to Galloway; another makes it the grave of a 12th century Bishop of Whithorn, who fell in battle at the head of a Scottish army fighting against the English on a neighbouring moor; but both are utterly idle. It may, however, be of Druidical origin. History knows nothing respecting it. An exploration, made in the early part of last century, discovered in it a kistvaen so large that the upper stone (6 × 3 feet) has lain unremoved till the present day. Six large sepulchral stones still stand erect on the same grassy mound. See pp. 112, 113 of Harper's *Rambles in Galloway*.

Cairnie (Gael. *cairn*, 'small cairn'), a hamlet of NW Aberdeenshire, and a parish formerly partly also in Banffshire, but in 1891 restricted by the Boundary Commissioners to the Aberdeenshire portion, the Banffshire portion having been transferred to the Banffshire parish of Keith. Cairnie is also a registration district, with a population in 1891 of 1473. The hamlet lies on the left bank of the Burn of Cairnie, a small affluent of the Isla, 4½ miles NW of its post-town Huntly. The parish is traversed, along the NE border, by the Great North of Scotland railway, and contains there Rothiemay station. The DEVERON traces the eastern, and the ISLA the north-eastern boundary. Low grounds adjoin these streams, and have a deep fertile soil. The surface sinks at the confluence of the Isla and Deveron to 296 feet above sea-level, but rises southward to the Bin (1027 feet), westward to the Little and Meikle Balloch (913 and 1199) on the Banffshire border, and to the Hill of Shenwall (957). In 1839-40 2258 acres, on and near the Bin, were planted with larch, spruce, and pine. A lime-work is at Ardonald. The entire parish formed part of the lordship of Strathbogie, taken from the Comyns by Robert Bruce, and given to Sir Adam Gordon; it thence onward was the original estate of the Gordon family; and, as now ecclesiastically

constituted, it comprises the ancient parishes of Botary and Ruthven, and part of Drumdelgry. The portrait-painter Wm. Aikman (1682-1731) was a native. The Duke of Richmond and Gordon and Major Duff Gordon Duff are the chief proprietors, 7 others holding a yearly value of less than £100. Cairnie is in the presbytery of Strathbogie and synod of Moray; the living is worth £282. The parish church is an old but commodious building, and there is also a Free church; whilst four schools—Alehousehillock, Cairnie, Ruthven, and Windyraw—with respective accommodation for 68, 127, 80, and 67 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 30, 83, 55, and 51, and grants of £27, 11s., £53, 8s. 4d., £47, 17s. 6d., and £54, 4s. 6d. Valuation of Aberdeenshire portion £7700 17s. 6d.; of Banffshire section £926, 9s. 6d. Pop. (1801) 1561, (1821) 1854, (1841) 1638, (1861) 1490, (1871) 1525, (1881) 1565, (1891) 1473, of whom 74 were in Banffshire.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 85, 86, 1876. See *A Stroll to Cairnie*, and the Rev. Dr. J. F. Gordon's *Book of the Chronicles of Keith, Cairnie, &c.*

Cairnie, an estate, with a mansion, in Cupar parish, Fife.

Cairniehill. See CAIRNEYHILL.

Cairniemount or **Cairn-o'-Mount**, a mountain on the mutual border of Strachan and Fordoun parishes, Kincardineshire. An offshoot of the Grampians, it culminates 6½ miles ESE of Mount Battock at 1488 feet above sea-level; and it is traversed, over its eastern shoulder, by a public road leading from Forfarshire to Deeside.

Cairnies, an estate, with a mansion and the Scottish Episcopal College of GLENALMOND, on the river Almond, Perthshire, 10 miles WNW of Perth. It was transferred from Monzie to Methven parish in 1891. The mansion was the seat of the Right Hon. George Patton, Lord Justice-Clerk (d. 1869), and, with the estate, is now owned by Colonel Harris.

Cairnrenan, a place on the northern border of Kilmarnock parish, Ross-shire, said to have been the burying-ground of an ancient Danish prince Irenan, and to have given name to the parish of Kilmarnock.

Cairnish. See CAIRNISH.

Cairnkinn, a summit in Penpont parish, NW Dumfriesshire, 5 miles S by E of Sanquhar. Rising 1813 feet above sea-level, it commands an extensive view over much of Dumfriesshire to parts of Ayrshire, Lanarkshire, Kirkcudbrightshire, and Cumberland.

Cairnmorearn, a summit in Durris parish, Kincardineshire, 6½ miles NW of Stonehaven. An offshoot of the Grampians, it rises 1245 feet above sea-level.

Cairnocuimhne, a large tumulus of small stones in Crathie parish, Aberdeenshire, at a narrow pass between the Dee and an overhanging hill, on the road from Aberdeen to Castleton of Braemar and to Fort George. It is said to have been formed, in the feudal times, by the practice of clans, when marching through the pass, laying each man a stone upon it in order that the chieftains might know how many men were marching to battle or had fallen on the battlefield.

Cairn-o'-Mount. See CAIRNIEMOUNT.

Cairnorrrie. See METHLICK.

Cairnpat or **Cairnpiat**, a hill in Portpatrick parish, Wigtownshire, 3¼ miles SSW of Stranraer. Rising 593 feet above sea-level, it commands a fine view of the Rhins of Galloway; and its top is engirt with remains of two (formerly three) stone walls, evidently erected for military purposes, separated from one another by ample intervening spaces, and at one time defended by entrenchments.

Cairnryan, a sea-port village in Inch parish, Wigtownshire, on the eastern shore of Loch Ryan, 5½ miles N of Stranraer. It has a post office under Stranraer, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, an inn, a good harbour, an Established church, a Free church, and a General Assembly's school. The harbour is on a small sheltered bay, where vessels of any burden may anchor in perfect safety. The Established church (1841) is the church of Loehryan *quoad sacra* parish.

Cairns, a ruined ancient castle in Midcalder parish,

Edinburghshire, 2½ miles W by N of East Cairn Hill, and ½ S by E of Midcalder village. It consists of a double tower; and is said, but without good evidence, to have been built, about 1440, by Sir William Crichton, Lord High Admiral of Scotland. An inn of its own name is in its northern vicinity.

Cairnmore, a mountain in Carsphairn parish, N Kirkcudbrightshire, 3¾ miles NE of Carsphairn village. It has an altitude of 2612 feet above sea-level; it was selected by Captain Colby, about 1814, as one of the stations for his trigonometrical survey; and, excepting in one direction, it commands a very extensive panoramic view.

Cairnmore of Fleet, a mountain on the mutual border of Minnigaff and Kirkmabreck parishes, SW Kirkcudbrightshire, 6½ miles E of Newton-Stewart. It extends about 4 miles from NNW to SSE; it has two summits, the one in Minnigaff, the other in Kirkmabreck, with altitudes of respectively 2331 and 2152 feet above sea-level; it sends off to the E a projection, called the Kuee of Cairnmore,—to the S an abutment, called the Door of Cairnmore,—to the W a spur, 1250 feet high, called Cranberry Hill; and it commands a superb prospect along the seaboard and across the waters of the Solway Firth. Cairnmore mansion stands near the western base of the mountain, on the S border of Minnigaff.

Cairtable, a mountain on the mutual border of Muirkirk parish, Ayrshire, and Douglas parish, Lanarkshire. It culminates 1¾ mile SE of Muirkirk village, and, about the same distance NNW of the meeting-point with Dumfriesshire, it has an altitude of 1944 feet above sea-level; it is crowned by two cairns; and it commands an extensive view.

Cairnton, an estate, annexed to the estate of Leys, in Banchory-Ternan parish, Kincardineshire. An ancient camp is on it, near a steep bank of the river Dee; commands a pass, traversed by the present public road, between the heights of Inchmarlo and the Dee; has two earthen ramparts, each 300 yards long, from 10 to 15 yards high, and 16 broad; and is thought, by some writers, to have been constructed by the Romans.

Cairntoul, a mountain in Crathie parish, Aberdeenshire, on the NW border of Braemar. One of the Cairngorm group of Grampians, it culminates, 2¾ miles SSE of Braeriach and 2 SW of Ben Macdui, at 4241 feet above sea-level, presenting a vast, bare, rugged mass.

Cairnrodie, a village in Peterhead parish, Aberdeenshire, near Peterhead town.

Cairnyaran, a moorland ridge in Inch parish, Wigtownshire, 5¾ miles NE of Stranraer. It has two summits about 1½ mile distant from each other, with altitudes of respectively 734 and 751 feet above sea-level; and it is crowned, within a length of 1½ mile, by no fewer than 9 cairns.

Cairston, an estate, with a mansion, in Stromness parish, Orkney, in the western vicinity of Stromness town. It anciently had a church and a monastery, ruins of which still stand in a burying-ground; and it gives name to a presbytery which has its seat in Stromness, and is in the synod of Orkney. The presbytery comprehends the parishes of Stromness, Firth, Stenness (*q. s.*), Harray, Birsay (*q. s.*), Hoy and Graemsay, Orphir, Sandwick, Walls, and Flotta and Pharay (*q. s.*), and the mission stations of Graemsay and North Walls (St John's). Pop. (1871) 10,465, (1881) 10,414, (1891) 10,069, of whom 1736 were communicants of the Church of Scotland in 1891.

Caitha, a hamlet in Stow parish, Edinburghshire, adjacent to the North British railway and to the river Gala, 4 miles S by W of Stow village.

Caithness, a maritime county in the extreme NE of the mainland of Scotland, bounded N by the Pentland Firth, E by the German Ocean, SE by the Moray Firth, SW and W by Sutherland. With irregular five-sided outline, it measures from NE to SW 43 miles; its breadth, in the opposite direction, is 28 miles; its circuit is about 145 miles; and its area is 433,878 acres, or 712 square miles. The coast has an extent of about 105 miles; includes Stroma island, lying in the Pentland Firth; and is prevailingly bold and rocky. Chief headlands are Dunnet Head (306 feet), in the middle of the

N; Duncansby Head (210), in the extreme NE; and Noss Head (115), at the point where the E coast begins to trend to the SW. Other headlands are Brims Ness, Holburn Head, and Dwarrick Head, in the N; Skirsa Head and Noss Head, in the E; and Wick Head, Ulbster Head, and the Ord (652), in the SE. Chief bays are Dunnet Bay, entering between Holburn Head and Dwarrick Head, in the N; and Sinclair's Bay, entering between Ness Head and Noss Head, in the E. Smaller bays are Sandside, Thurso, and Cannis, in the N; Freswick and Wick, in the E; and 5 or 6 little inlets or harbours in the SE. Low beaches or sandy downs lie around some portions of the northern and the eastern bays; but cliffs, cavernous rocks, and stacks or skerries characterise mostly all other parts of the coast. The surface, except over a mean breadth of about 8 miles along the SW and W, is mainly a monotonous plain, and over those 8 miles in the SW and W is mainly mountainous or hilly. Low ridges diversify the plain in the parishes of Wick, Bower, Watten, Dunnet, Olrick, Thurso, Reay, and Halkirk; and, except on the tops of some of them, where heath and bog prevail, they are generally clothed with green pasture. Bogs of various kinds, from deep moss to peaty moor, also diversify much of the plain, together with parts of the western mountains; they form large low flat tracts from the central districts up to the base of the mountains; they even form a considerable tract so deep and swampy as to be untraversable by cattle, not far from the north-eastern extremity of the county; and they are computed, in their several kinds and distributions, to amount aggregately to more than one-third of the entire area. In the W and SW, from N to S, rise the following eminences, of which those marked with asterisks culminate on the Sutherland border:—*Ben Ruadh (603 feet), *Sithean Harry (759), Ben nam Bed Mhor (952), *Cnoc Crom-uillt (1199), Ben Alisky (1142), *Knockfin Heights (1416), Maiden Pap (1587), Morven (2313), Scaraben (2054), Meall na Carrach (1301), *Creag Scalabdale (1819), and Braigh na h-Eaglaise (1387). Those in the SW have steep acclivities and rugged surfaces, being often nothing but bare rock; those in the W are less wild, less rugged, and less lofty, and for the most part are moorish or heathy. Sir John Sinclair, computing the entire area at 316,042 Scottish acres, reckoned 3000 acres to be sand or sea-beaches, 6731 to be fresh water, 130,261 to be deep mosses and flat moors, 71,200 to be mountains or high moory hills, 62,000 to be green pastures and common downs, 2000 to be meadows or haughs by the sides of streams, 850 to be occupied by coppices and plantations, and only 40,000 to be arable land of any description, either infield or outfield.

The chief rivers or streams, named in the order of their length or importance, are the Thurso, the Wick, the Forss, the Berriedale, the Longwall, the Wester, the Dunbeath, and numerous burrs. The chief lakes are Watten, Calder, Mere, Hempriggs, Westfield, Stempster-Bower, Stempster-Latheron, Rangag, Ruard, Toftingall, Alterwall, Harland, Dunnet, Mey, Duren, Kelm, Shurary, Killeminster, Yarrow, Brakegog, Olgany, and a number of loehlets. 'The Old Red sandstone,' says Mr Maedonald, 'abounds extensively in Caithness. The principal rocks in the hilly district all belong to this formation. In many parts of flatter grounds the underlying rock is a clay slate or flagstone, which consists of a formation of alternating beds of siliceous and calcareo-siliceous flagstone or slate-clay, dark foliated bituminous limestone, pyritous shale, etc. . . . Generally speaking, the strata lie from NE to SW, but the interruptions are very numerous.' Minerals are rare. The discovery of a coal substance near Scrabster led to an unsuccessful search; and veins of iron and copper ore, worked for a time in Reay and Wick parishes, were soon abandoned. A mine of lead ore was sunk a century since at Achinnarras, but proved unprofitable. Marl abounds in many of the bogs and lakes, and has been of some service for reclaiming and improving land. Millstones, building stones, and paving stones, variously from granite, limestone, and sandstone, have been ex-

tensively quarried. Paved flagstones, for exportation, are so largely worked as to afford the most extensive employment to the population next to farming and fishing; and they are well known and highly appreciated in most parts of the kingdom. They belong to the middle formation of the Devonian epoch; they imbed such vast numbers of fossil fish and plants, that portions of the fossils or impressions found there can be seen in almost every stone; and they owe their tenacity and durability to the cementing of their silica and alumina with calcareous and bituminous portions of organic matter. They were computed recently to be exported to the annual amount of from 500,000 to 600,000 superficial yards, worth from £70,000 to £80,000. The principal localities of them are on a line of 10 or 12 miles along the N coast of the Pentland Firth from Olrick parish to Reay parish, and a line from a point of the E coast 4 miles S of Wick, westward to the centre of the county in Halkirk parish. They were first exported from the lands of Scraibster, near Thurso; and they are now most largely exported from Castlehill or Castletown quarries, about 5 miles E of Thurso. The quantity of them shipped annually from Castletown Harbour, in recent years, ranged from 10,000 to 15,000 tons. Farm labourers' wages, though rather lower than in any other northern county, rose from 30 to 40 per cent. within 20 years up to 1880, such rise being partly due to this working of flagstones; since then, however, they have fallen somewhat.

The soil of the arable land and green pasture—from the E bank of Foss Water on the N coast to Assery; thence eastward by Calder Loch to Halkirk on Thurso river; thence along that river to Dale; thence eastward, by Achatibster, Toftingall, Bilbster, and Thurster, to the coast at Hempriggs; thence along the coast northward to Wester Water; thence up that water and past Bower, Alterwall, and Thurdistoft, to Dunnet Bay at Castlehill—is strongly argillaceous, and lies in the western parts on horizontal rock, in the eastern parts on hard till, drift, or gravel. The soil of the arable land and green pasture in the district W of Foss Water is a black loam or a mixture of dark earth and crystalline sand, generally incumbent on a comparatively irrelative horizontal rock. The soil in the district NE of the line of Wester Water, including the N wing of Wick parish, and most of Canisbay and Dunnet parishes, also is a dark loam, incumbent partly on irrelative rock, partly on gritty red gravel. The soil along the SE coast, from Hempriggs to the Ord, is a mixture of dark earth with gritty sand and fragments of rock, a sort of stony hazel loam, sharp and productive, incumbent on various kinds of rock; and the soil in the other districts of the county, comprehending the higher parts of Halkirk, Watten, and Latheron parishes, is variable, may be called alluvial near the banks of streams, and either a dark loam, an argillaceous earth, or a mixture of humus and gravel in other places. According to Mr G. J. Walker's 'Royal Commission Report on Agriculture' (1881), about two-fifths of the arable land are good, one-fifth being bad, and the rest medium. The climate, on the whole, is cold, wet, and windy. Inclemency of weather, owing to the total want of mountain shelter along the E and N, is felt more severely in winter and spring than in the neighbouring counties of Sutherland and Ross; and rain is both more frequent and more heavy than anywhere else in Scotland, except in Argyllshire, and in the western parts of Inverness-shire, Ross-shire, and Sutherland, the rainfall exceeding 34 inches. Snow and hard frost commonly commence about the end of December, sometimes earlier; and rain is generally frequent and heavy during October, November, and December. The winds blow from the W or the NW during three-fourths of the year, and they frequently rise to strong gales in winter, spring, and autumn. The prevailing wind, from the beginning of May till the middle of June, is usually from the NW, with a bleak cloudy sky; and from the end of June till September, is variable from the SW to the SE, but seldom from the N.

The agriculture of Caithness received a great impulse

from the labours of the celebrated Sir John Sinclair (1754-1835), though not so great as his proprietorship in the county might have led one to expect, nor so great as his mere second-hand influence produced on not a few other counties in both Scotland and England. But it afterwards was carried to a high pitch by the exertions of Sheriff Traill of Rattar, Mr Horne of Scouthel, Sir Benjamin Dunbar, and other local improvers; and at length it acquired an eminence much loftier than the agriculture of some districts in Britain which have a far superior soil and climate. 'Farms,' wrote the New Statist in 1845, 'are now to be seen of as great extent, and cultivated with as great skill and success, as in any part of Scotland. A considerable part of the county, of course, is still in the possession of small farmers, paying from £10 to £50 of yearly rent; but their condition is improving, and many of them raise green crops, and pursue a system of rotation.' At the present day, out of 3252 holdings, there are 1927 of under £10, 576 of between £10 and £20, and 386 of from £20 to £50. Principal crops—oats, over 35,000 acres; barley, 1100; turnips and swedes, 14,500; potatoes, 2000; clover, grass, &c., 55,000. A great number of cattle of the best description have long been annually reared for sale in the south; and the breeds of them have been so much improved as to take a large proportion of prizes at the Highland and Agricultural Society's shows. Sheep also are kept in large numbers; have been improved by crosses with the Cheviot and other breeds; and have, in some instances, brought the highest prices at the Falkirk trysts. Small horses are imported from the islands; and many swine are kept.

The principal branch of industry in Caithness, next to agriculture, is sea fishing. Various departments of productive labour, such as implement making, rope making, and cooper work, are carried on mainly or almost wholly in subordination to farming and fishing; some also are carried on in connection with commerce and with the local supply of all the ordinary kinds of artificer's work; at Wick there is one large distillery; but all these industries, taken together, are of less importance to the community than fishing alone. Many or most of the fishermen combine farming with their fishery work; or rather hold small farms, and employ themselves alternately in farming and in fishing. Two of the 26 fishery districts which embrace all the coasts of Scotland and its islands, from the southern extremity of Galloway to the northern extremity of Shetland, are restricted to Caithness alone, and at least 2 if not 3 others of these districts draw within their operations not a few of the Caithness fishermen. The two entirely Caithness districts are Wick and Lybster; and these have fully more than one-twelfth of all the fishermen and fisher boys of the total 26 districts. Considerable harbours are at Thurso, Castletown, Lybster, and other places; but Wick is the only head port; and most of the commerce connected with the county may be regarded as identical with what we shall have to show in our article on Wick. Valuable facility of communication is afforded by steamers plying weekly between Granton near Edinburgh and the Orkney and Shetland islands, and calling at Wick and Thurso. Inland communication beyond the county's own limits has always been rendered difficult by the barrier of mountain along all the inland border, and by the steepness and height of the main pass over the Ord, contiguous to the coast, into Sutherland. Railway communication necessarily became desiderated after the advent of the railway epoch and specially after the formation of the Highland line so far north as the N border of Ross-shire; but it acquired no fair hope of being attainable till so late as 1866, and was not begun to be formed so late as the early part of 1871. A bill was passed through Parliament in that year for the construction of a line from the terminus of the Sutherland railway at Helmsdale, through the W centre of Caithness, by way of Halkirk, to Thurso, with a branch to Wick, and that railway was opened in 1874. In 1892 another scheme was formed for making a railway from Gills Bay along the east coast of the county to Wick, and thence to Lybster and Helmsdale.

The only royal burgh is Wick; the only other town is Thurso; and the principal villages are Halkirk, Lybster, Castletown, Keiss, Sarclet, and Berriedale. The principal seats are Langwell, Barrogill Castle, Tister House, Thurso Castle, Hempriggs, Aekergill Tower, Toffingall, Watten, Barrock House, Murkle, Sandside, Westfield, Dunbeath Castle, Freswick, Stirkoke, Swiney, Nottingham House, Bilbster, Stemster, Forss, Forse, Thrumster, South-dun, Orlig, Latheronwheel, Lynegar, Castle Hill, Achavarn, Scots Calder, and Camster. According to *Miscellaneous Statistics of the United Kingdom*, 471,736 acres, with total gross estimated rental of £136,886, were divided among 1028 landowners, three together holding 217,415 acres (rental £28,349), two 63,477 (£16,738), eight 112,623 (£35,352), seven 54,656 (£14,336), five 15,658 (£7301), four 1013 (£1531), four 285 (£341), eighteen 419 (£4922), etc.

There was no change made in the boundaries of Caithness by the Boundary Commissioners. Though the parish of Reay was situated partly in the county of Caithness and partly in that of Sutherland, the mode in which it was dealt with entailed no alteration of county boundaries, for the Sutherlandshire portion was simply joined to the Sutherlandshire parish of Farr. The only other transfer made affected the interior parishes of Halkirk and Thurso (which see). The county comprises the old parishes of Bower, Canisbay, Dunnet, Halkirk, Latheron, Orlig, Reay, Thurso, Watten, and Wick; the *quoad sacra* parishes of Berriedale, Keiss, Lybster, and Pulteneytown, and the chapels of Strona and Shurrery; and these constitute the presbytery of Caithness, in the synod of Sutherland and Caithness, with 861 communicants of the Church of Scotland in 1891. The Free Church also has a presbytery of Caithness, with congregations at Berriedale, Bower, Brnan, Canisbay, Dunnet, Halkirk, Keiss, Latheron, Lybster, Orlig, Pulteneytown, Reay, Westerdale, and Watten, and with two at Thurso, and two at Wick. Other congregations within the county are, 1 U.P. at Wick, 2 Reformed Presbyterian at Wick and Thurso, 2 Congregational at Wick and Thurso, 1 Evangelical Union at Wick, 4 Baptist at Wick, Keiss, Scarfskerry, and Stroma, 1 Episcopalian at Wick and a mission at Thurso, and 1 Roman Catholic at Wick. In the year ending 30 Sept. 1891, the county had 65 schools (62 of them public), which, with accommodation for 8676 children, had 7314 on the registers, and 5421 in average attendance.

The county is governed (1891) by a Lord lieutenant, vice-admiral, and high sheriff, a vice-lieutenant, 20 deputy-lieutenants, a sheriff, a sheriff-substitute, and 78 magistrates. Sheriff courts are held at Wick every Tuesday and Friday during session; sheriff small debt courts at Wick every Tuesday during session, at Thurso every fifth Thursday, and at Lybster every fifth Wednesday; justice of peace small debt courts at Wick on the first and third Monday of every month, at Thurso on every alternate Wednesday; and courts of quarter sessions at Wick and at Thurso. There are thirty electoral divisions for the County Council, returning one member each, besides three representatives of the Commissioners of Supply. The Council is divided into the following committees:—General Purposes Committee, County Road Board, Standing Joint Committee (partly appointed by the Council and partly by the Commissioners of Supply), County Valuation Committee, Executive Committee under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts, and the Finance Committee—the convenor being a member of all committees. The police force, in 1891, comprised 23 men; and the salary of the chief constable was £200. The county prison is at Wick. The annual value of real property, assessed at £35,469 in 1815, was £66,572 in 1843, £102,910 in 1866, £133,922 in 1881, £157,292 in 1891, including £9211 for railway. The county, prior to the Reform Act of 1832, returned a member to Parliament alternately with Buteshire; but since has sent one for itself. The constituency in 1891 was 3936. The royal burgh of Wick also unites with five others beyond Caithness in sending a member to Parliament. Pop. (1871) 39,992, (1881) 38,845, (1891)

37,177, of whom 19,705 were females. H^{ouse} (1891), 7444 inhabited, 271 vacant, 28 building.

The registration county includes the former Sutherlandshire portion of Reay parish, and had in 1891 a population of 38,070. All the parishes except Bower are assessed for the poor, and all are included in the two poor-law combinations of Latheron and Thurso. The number of registered poor in the year ending 14 May, 1891, was 1194.

The territory now forming Caithness was anciently inhabited by the Caledonian tribe of the Carnavii, and about the beginning of the 10th century was subdued and settled by the Norsemen under Sigurd, Jarl of Orkney. It retains some topographical names of the Celtic or Caledonian times; but it is broadly characterised, in both its nomenclature and its antiquities, by ancient Scandinavian possession. The Scandinavian Jarls of Orkney held it as an earldom nominally under the crown of Scotland, and by King David (1124-53) it was erected into a diocese. The inhabitants, wavering in their allegiance between the Oreadian Jarls and the Scottish kings, were not long in throwing off the Scandinavian yoke. William the Lyon, in 1196, collected a strong army, crossed the Oikell, and brought Sutherland and Caithness under the power of the Scottish crown. The principal families of Caithness, at that time, were the Guns and the De Cheynes; and these were soon afterwards represented or superseded by three other leading families, the Sinclairs, the Sutherlands, and the Keiths. Feuds arose among these three latter families, or between some one or other of them and clans in other parts of the Highlands, and either formed or produced all the most signal events of subsequent times in Caithness. The Sinclairs soon got and retained the upper hand; a branch of them, in 1455, was ennobled as Earl of Caithness and Baron Berriedale. But, in 1672, Campbell of Glenorchy purchased the earldom from the contemporary earl, and afterwards married his widow; and his so doing led to a sanguinary conflict in Wick parish, on the banks of the ALTIMARLACH—happily the last event of its kind in Caithness. Campbell was subsequently created Earl of Breadalbane, with precedence according to the patent of the original earldom, and the representatives of the original Earl of Caithness thenceforth alone have been Earls of Caithness.

Ancient Caledonian stone circles are at Stemster Loch and Bower. The singular structures popularly called Picts' houses, generally of a circular form, in the shape of a truncated cone, with walls 9 or 10 feet thick, and surrounded by a deep ditch and a rampart, are numerous. There also are several old castles, many of them ruinous, some still habitable. The chief of these are Barrogill, elegantly modernised; Thurso, the venerable seat of Sir John G. T. Sinclair, Bart.; Scarbster, the ruined residence of the quondam bishops of Caithness; Girnigoe and Sinclair, erected by the thanes of Caithness; Aekergill, built by the Keiths, Earls Marischal; Dunbeath and Brims, still habitable; and Freswick, Keiss, Forss, Berriedale, Downreay, Brawl, and Durlet, all in ruins. Some substructions on a small green knoll, 1½ mile W of Duncansby Head, are vestiges of John o' Great's House. Caithness, though mainly a lowland tract, assimilated in language and customs to the Lowland counties, is often erroneously classed as part of the Highlands; at the census of 1891 only 4144 persons were returned as habitually speaking Gaelic. See James Macdonald, 'On the Agriculture of Caithness,' in *Trans. Highl. and Ag. Soc.*, 1875; Jas. T. Calder, *Sketch of the Civil and Traditional History of Caithness from the Tenth Century*; and Sam. Laing, *Prehistoric Remains of Caithness* (1866).

Caithness, a place in Glenorchy parish, Argyllshire, on the river Orchy, 6 miles NE of Dalmlair. The Orchy here makes a series of considerable leaps over and among grotesquely-shaped rocks.

Cakemuir, an ancient castle transferred in 1891 from Cranston parish to Crichton parish, E Edinburghshire, on a small burn of the same name, 3 miles E of Borthwick Castle. It is a square four-storied

tower, with massive walls and projecting battlements; an apartment in it is called Queen Mary's Room, having given shelter to that unfortunate princess after her flight in male apparel from BORTHWICK, 13 June 1567. Here she met Bothwell, and rode with him through the night to Dunbar.

Calair, a burn in Balquhider parish, Perthshire, running 6½ miles NE and N, through Glens Dubh and Inckie, to the Balvag, opposite Balquhider kirkton. Descending from 2000 to 410 feet above sea-level, it is subject to great freshets; its waters teem with little trout.

Calbruar, a hamlet in the parish and 3 miles from the village of Blair Athole, Perthshire.

Calda House. See ASSYNT.

Calder, a large district in the extreme W of Edinburghshire. The Gaelic *choille-dur* signifies a 'wooded stream,' and doubtless was applied to the district on account of the boskiness of its water-courses; but the name has been imposed on it at some very early period, and in circumstances unknown to record. The district may have originally been one property or barony, but was early divided into Calder-Clere on the E and Calder-Comitis on the W—the latter by far the larger division—being afterwards divided into Mid and West Calder.

Calder, a hamlet and a loch of NW Caithness. The hamlet, to the E of the lake, is 6½ miles SSW of Thurso, under which it has a post office; whilst a public school at it, with accommodation for 120 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 63, and a grant of £81, 14s. 6d. The loch, lying mainly in Halkirk, but partly in Reay parish, at 205 feet above sea-level, has an extreme length and breadth of 2½ miles and 7½ furlongs; presents a pleasing appearance from its striking contrast to the mossy and heathy lands which surround it, and contains abundance of good trout and little char.

Calder, an affluent of the Avon. See AVONDALE.

Calder, a stream of Kingussie parish, E Invernesshire, formed by three head-streams which rise among the Monadhth Mountains at altitudes of from 2700 to 2900 feet above sea-level. It winds 4½ miles eastward, at Spey Bridge, near Newtonmore station, falling into the Spey. Its waters abound in trout.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 64, 1874.

Calder, a rivulet of Ayr and Renfrew shires. It rises in Largs parish on the N slope of Burnt Hill (1589 feet), near the mutual border of the two counties; runs 1½ mile ENE on this boundary, then 2½ miles E and SE on the boundary between Kilmalcolm and Lochwinnoch parishes, expanding here into a triangular lake, called Calder Dam (2½ × 1½ furl.); then proceeds about 5½ miles SE, through Lochwinnoch parish, to the head of Castle-Semple Loch, in the vicinity of Lochwinnoch town. A number of beautiful cascades diversify its romantic course, while on its banks are several cotton-mills.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Calder, a rivulet of NW Lanarkshire, rising on Elrig Moor (1000 feet), in East Kilbride parish, near the Ayrshire boundary, and running 10 miles NNE and N within East Kilbride parish, and along the boundary between East Kilbride and Cambuslang on the left, Glasford and Blantyre on the right, till it falls into the Clyde at Turwheel, 1½ mile WNW of Uddingstone. Flowing mostly on a gravelly or rocky bed, between steep and richly wooded banks, it has a shallow rapid current, and makes several falls or cascades, one of them wild and romantic, and called the Reeking Linn. It bears the name of Calder Water in its upper course, and of Rotten Calder after receiving the Rotten Burn near Torrance.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 23, 31, 1865-67.

Calder, a seat of iron-works in Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, on the right bank of North Calder Water, opposite Carubroe village in Bothwell parish, 1½ mile SE of Coatbridge, and 2 miles SSW of Airdrie. The iron-works of Messrs Dixon, which were founded in 1805, have five blast-furnaces of the modern type. There has also been recently erected a complete plant for the extraction of the sulphate of ammonia and other by-products from the furnace gases. The ironstone and coal are got from the company's pits in the neighbourhood, supplemented by supplies from Spain and the west coast of England. A board school here, with

accommodation for 227 children, had (1891) a day and an evening attendance of 210 and 34, and grants of £241, 4s. 7d. and £18, 10s.

Calder, a parish in Lanarkshire. See CADDER.

Calder, in Nairnshire. See CAWDOE.

Calderbank, a large industrial village and a *quoad sacra* parish of NE Lanarkshire, partly in Bothwell but chiefly in Old Monkland parish, on the North Calder Water, 2 miles SSE of Airdrie. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments under Airdrie, a school, and a parish church; and at it are situated the steel works of the Calderbank Steel and Coal Company, which have been furnished with all the latest appliances for the manufacture of steel. The school, with accommodation for 246 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 222, and a grant of £224, 6s. 6d. Pop. (1841) 1064, (1861) 2461, (1871) 2176, (1881) 1749, (1891) 1814; of *q. s.* parish, 2410.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Calderbank, an estate, with a mansion, in Blantyre parish, Lanarkshire, 4½ miles NW of Hamilton.

Calderbank, a village, with bleach-works, on the river Calder, in Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire.

Caldercruix, a village in New Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, with an Established mission church and a station on the Airdrie and Bathgate section of the North British railway, 4½ miles ENE of Airdrie, under which it has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments. Pop. (1881) 306, (1891) 420.

Calder, East, a village and an ancient parish in the W of Edinburghshire. The village stands near the right bank of the Almond, ¾ mile ENE of Midcalder town, and 1½ mile WNW of Midcalder station; consists chiefly of two rows of houses, with gardens behind; and has a U.P. church, a post office, and a public school. At it was born a minor poet, Alex. Rodger (1784-1846). The ancient burying-ground of the parish, with the ivy-clad ruin of the church, adjoins the village, and an extensive quarry of excellent limestone is a little to the E. The parish was united in 1750 to the parish of Kirknewton. The manor or barony was given by Malcolm IV. to Randolph de Clere, taking from him the name of Calder-Clere, to distinguish it from the adjoining manor of Calder-Comitis, belonging to the Earl of Fife; underwent forfeiture in the wars of the succession; was given in 1306, by Robert Bruce, to James Douglas, the ancestor of the Earls of Morton; and includes a tract called Mortoune, which disputes with Morton parish in Dumfriesshire the claim of having given their peerage title to the Earls of Morton. Pop. of village (1871) 589, (1881) 734, (1891) 974.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857.

Caldergrove, an estate, with a handsome modern mansion, in Cambuslang parish, Lanarkshire, 4½ miles WNW of Hamilton.

Calderhall, an estate, with a mansion, in the East Calder section of Kirknewton parish, Edinburghshire, ½ mile SSW of East Calder village.

Calderhead, a *quoad sacra* parish and a registration district in Shotts and Cambusnethan parishes, Lanarkshire, lying around the head of South Calder river, 2½ miles SSE of Kirk-of-Shotts. Constituted in 1872, the parish is in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; its minister's stipend is £254. The church was built as a chapel of ease in 1860, at a cost of £1000; and under Calderhead school-board, 4 schools—Allanton, Calderhead, and 2 at Shotts—with total accommodation for 994 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 806, and grants amounting to £747, 8s. 10d. Pop. of registration district (1861) 4034, (1871) 4271, (1881) 4158, (1891) 4528.

Calder House, a mansion in Midcalder parish, Edinburghshire, in the southern vicinity of Midcalder town. Standing on an elevated lawn, and surrounded by ornamental walks, it adjoins an extensive and romantic wood intersected by Murieston and Linhouse Waters. It is in part a very ancient building, with walls of 7 feet thickness, and includes a great hall, upborne on arches, and modernised into a drawing-room. This seat is

historically famous for the celebration of the Lord's Supper in its great hall by John Knox in 1556. The hall contains a portrait of the Reformer, which, long regarded as authentic, was, in 1875, pronounced by the late Mr David Laing to be only a 'bad copy'; in the same apartment there is also a portrait of Mary Queen of Scots. For more than five centuries a seat of the Sandilands, Calder House is now held by Jas. Walter Sandilands, twelfth Baron Torphichen since 1564 (b. 1846; suc. 1869), and owner of 1880 acres in the shire, valued at £3794 per annum, including £500 for minerals.

Calder Iron-works. See CALDER, Old Monkland, Lanarkshire.

Calder, Mid, a village and a parish on the W border of Edinburghshire. The village stands on a rising ground, near the left bank of the Almond, which here receives the confluent Murieston and Linthouse Waters, 2 miles W by N of Midcalder or Kirknewton Junction, on the Caledonian, this being 11 miles WSW of Edinburgh, and 36½ E of Glasgow. Backed by the fine policies of Calder House, it has been greatly improved within the past few years, all the old thatched and most of the tiled houses having given place to others of a more modern style, several fine villas having been built to the E, and a plentiful supply of water having been introduced. At it are a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Clydesdale Bank, gas-works, a hotel, the ancient parish church, a U.P. church (1765), and a public school; whilst fairs are held here on the second Tuesday of March and the Friday after the second Tuesday of October. The parish church, a good Second Pointed building, with oblong tower, was founded early in the 13th century by Duncan, Earl of Fife, was partly rebuilt by Peter Sandilands in 1541, and has been lately enlarged and restored at a cost of over £3000; at its E end is the burying-place of the Torphichen family. Pop. of village (1861) 525, (1871) 579, (1881) 657, (1891) 671.

The parish, containing also the village of BELLS-QUARRY, is bounded N and NE by Uphall in Linlithgowshire; E by Kirknewton, Currie, and an outlying portion of Kirkliston; SE by Linton in Peeblesshire; S and W by West Calder; and NW by Livingston in Linlithgowshire. Its greatest length from N to S is 7½ miles; its breadth from E to W varies between ½ and 5½ miles; and its area is 12,324½ acres, of which 30½ are water. The ALMOND for 2½ miles traces the Livingston and Kirknewton borders, for 2 flows through the northern interior, and here from the S receives the West Calder, Harwood, Murieston, Linthouse, and two or three lesser burns; while in the furthest S of the parish rise the head-streams of the Water of Leith. The northern district is comparatively level, and with a light, dry, fertile soil, presents an embellished aspect; the southern is occupied with the slopes of the Pentlands; and from between 300 and 400 feet above sea-level along the Almond's banks the surface rises southward to East and West Cairn Hills, 1839 and 1844 feet, on the Peeblesshire boundary. About one-third of the entire area is arable; upwards of 200 acres are under wood; and a large aggregate is upland pasture. At Pumpherton, since 1877, a field of 10 acres has formed an experimental station of the Highland and Agricultural Society. The rocks are partly carboniferous and in large measure eruptive. Coal and rich lead ore have been found; excellent sandstone, limestone, and trap rock have been worked; and other useful minerals occur. Employment is also furnished by oil and paper works. Springs of very fine water are everywhere numerous, whilst slightly chalybeate springs are plentiful; and a powerful sulphureous spring is on the estate at Letham. Four tumuli on the banks of the Almond have been regarded by tradition as memorials of some great ancient battle in their vicinity. A tolerably well-preserved Roman camp is on Castle-Gregg Hill, on the SW border, 1½ mile SE of Harburn station; a castle stood at Pumpherton; an ancient double tower is at Cairns; and portions of old baronial fortalices are retained in CALDER House and MURIESTON House; the former of which is the

prominent feature of the parish. John Spottiswood (1565-1639), Archbishop of St Andrews, was a native. Eight proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 9 of between £100 and £500, 4 of from £50 to £100, and 12 of from £20 to £50. Midcalder is in the presbytery of Edinburgh and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £217. Four public schools—Bellsquarry, Causewayend, Midcalder, and Pumpherton—with respective accommodation for 116, 50, 250, and 277 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 79, 13, 208, and 167, and grants of £74, 14s., £23, 8s. 11d., £212, 6s., and £138, 9s. Valuation £17, 431, including £3908 for railways. Pop. (1801) 1014, (1831) 1489, (1861) 1389, (1871) 1634, (1881) 1698, (1891) 3126.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857.—See J. Sommers' *Account of the Parish of Midcalder* (1838).

Caldermill, a village of W Lanarkshire, 3 miles from its post-town, Strathaven.

Calder, North, a small river partly of Stirling and Linlithgow shires, but chiefly of Lanarkshire. It issues from Black Loch on the mutual border of New Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, and Slamannan parish, Stirlingshire; winds 2½ miles SW along the boundary between Lanarkshire on the right and Stirling and Linlithgow shires on the left; turns then wholly into Lanarkshire; expands soon into Hillend Reservoir (1½ × ½ mile); and running 13 miles WSW along the boundary between New Monkland and Old Monkland parishes on the right, and Shotts and Bothwell parishes on the left, falls into the Clyde at Daldowie, 1½ mile NW of Uddingstone. Its banks, over nearly the whole of its romantic course of about 16 miles, are bold, picturesque, and beautifully wooded; and are adorned, in several places, with splendid parks or mansions. Its waters contain trout.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Calder, Rotten, the lower part of CALDER Water in the NW of Lanarkshire, so named because joined by the Rotten Burn where it enters the parish of Blantyre, 2 miles SE of East Kilbride.

Calder, Rotten, a property on the western border of Blantyre parish, Lanarkshire. Coal has been worked here on a small scale; a silicified tree is near, rising out of the bed of the Rotten Calder; and there is also here a curious conical hillock, the Campknowe, anciently fortified by the Caledonians.

Calder, South, a small river rising on moors contiguous to Linlithgowshire, 2 miles ENE of Shotts Ironworks. Thence it runs about 11 miles W by S along the boundary between Shotts and Bothwell parishes on the right, and Cambusnethan and Dalziel parishes on the left; and falls into the Clyde 1½ mile above Bothwell Bridge. Its vale displays much beauty, both natural and artificial; and its waters contain trout, but offer no high attraction to the angler. A viaduct of the Caledonian railway crosses it ¾ mile N of Motherwell, and is a grand, long, lofty, stone structure of 1857. Another viaduct, at present on the main line of the Caledonian railway, but originally erected for the Wishaw and Coltness railway, stands a short distance higher up, and is a gaunt, slender, wooden pile, resting on tall stone piers. See also BOTHWELL.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Calder, West, a town and a parish in the extreme W of Edinburghshire. The town stands, at 550 feet above sea-level, on the right bank of the West Calder Burn, and has a station on the Edinburgh and Glasgow direct section of the Caledonian, 5½ miles WSW of Midcalder Junction, 16 WSW of Edinburgh, and 31½ E of Glasgow. Since 1861 it has undergone great and rapid extension, chiefly in connection with neighbouring mineral works; at it are a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank, a reading-room, a People's Hall, a parish church, a Free church, a U.P. church, and the Roman Catholic church of Our Lady and St Bridget. A public and a Roman Catholic school, with respective accommodation for 516 and 204 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 462 and 194, and grants of £688, 15s. 6d. and £254, 12s. 6d. Pop. (1861) 476, (1871) 2432, (1881) 2291, (1891) 2516.

The parish, containing also the villages of **ADDIEWELL** and **Mossend**, has a rudely triangular outline, and is bounded NE and E by Midcalder; SE by Linton, in Peebleshire; S and SW by Dunsyre, Carluke, and Carnwath, in Lanarkshire; NW by Cambusnethan in Lanarkshire, and Whitburn in Linlithgowshire. Its greatest length from NE to SW is 10 miles; its width in an opposite direction varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 21,392 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 303 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. **BREICH** Water traces most of the Linlithgowshire border, and through the interior the West Calder, Harwood, Murieston, Linhouse, and two or three lesser burns flow northward or north-eastward to the Almond; whilst in the S, on the Carnwath boundary, lies **COBINSNASH** reservoir ($1\frac{1}{2}$ mile \times $2\frac{3}{4}$ furlongs). The northern district is mainly low country, well cultivated and highly embellished; the southern consists of high, bleak moorland, incapable of cultivation. From less than 500 feet above sea-level along Breich Water, the surface rises south-eastward to the Pentlands, attaining 987 feet in Pearie Law, and 1700 in Craigengar on the boundary with Linton. The rocks to a great extent, especially in the N, belong to the Carboniferous formation, and include abundance of coal, ironstone, bituminous shale, and limestone. In the parish has been erected one of the largest works in Great Britain for the manufacture of oil—that of Young's Paraffin Light and Mineral Oil Co. Mansions are Hermard, Harburn, Hartwood House, and Limefield. West Calder is in the presbytery of Edinburgh and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the value of the living is £211. The original church, a chapel of ease to Midcalder, stood at Chapelton, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile NE of the town; the next was built in 1646. Seven schools—the two at the town, Addiewell, Cobinsnash, Garieside, Leavenseat, and Woodmuir Colliery—with total accommodation for 1868 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 1291, and grants amounting to £1597, 15s. 6d. Valuation £43,846, including £10,200 for railways and water-works. Pop. (1801) 1185, (1831) 1617, (1861) 1927, (1871) 7865, (1881) 7682, (1891) 8456.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857.

Calderwood Castle, a mansion in East Kilbride parish, Lanarkshire, on the left bank of the Rotten Calder, 5 miles W of Hamilton. For more than five centuries a seat of the Maxwells, and greatly enlarged in 1840, it stands amid beautiful grounds, with a very fine waterfall on the river.

Calderwood, Long, a hamlet in East Kilbride parish, Lanarkshire, near Calderwood policies, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of East Kilbride village.

Caldham, a hamlet in Marykirk parish, Kincauldine-shire, on the river Luther, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Laurencekirk.

Caldra, an estate with a mansion, in Fogo parish, SE Berwickshire, 4 miles S by W of Duns, belonging to Col. David Milne-Home.

Caldron, a fine waterfall in Comrie parish, Perthshire, on the river Lednock, 1 mile N of Comrie village.

Caldron Linn, a series of romantic waterfalls in Fossoy parish, Perthshire, on the river Devon, about a mile below Rumbling-Bridge station, and $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles ENE of Dollar. The series is twofold; first, a tumultuous cataract along a fearful chasm; next, two leaps, with intervening whirls, down precipitous descents. The sides of the chasm are mural, and of about equal height, but, in some parts, they so project as almost to meet; and the floor of the chasm is so worn into a descending chain of pits as to occasion the river, in careering along, to emit a furious deafening sound. The first of the two falls, over the precipitous descent, is a leap of 34 feet; the whirls between it and the second fall are through three round cavities, like caldrons or boilers, of from 16 to 22 feet in diameter. In the first of these caldrons the water is constantly agitated as if boiling; in the second it is always covered with foam; and in the third and largest, the water is as placid as an inland lake. Ledges of rock separate these cavities from each other, and they communicate by sluices wrought about their middle depth by the action of the water. By an opening like a huge door hewn out of the rock, the river

rushes in a torrent to the second fall, which occurs at a distance of 84 feet from the foot of the first one, and is a leap of 44 feet. The first leap declines a little, and the second so much from the perpendicular as to be quite oblique. The second fall is into a deep and romantic glen, where a vapour constantly ascends from the pool, which in sunshine shows all the colours of the rainbow. In rainy seasons the whole is grand beyond description.

Caldshiels. See **CAULDSHIELDS**.

Caldstane Slap, a mountain pass (1300 feet) on the mutual border of Linton parish, Peebleshire, and Midcalder parish, Edinburghshire, between East and West Cairn Hills, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Midcalder village. It is traversed by a drove-road which, prior to the railway epoch, was much frequented by dealers in sheep and cattle going to and from the Scotch and the English markets.

Caldwell. See **BELTH**.

Caledonian and Dumbartonshire Railway, a railway in Dumbartonshire, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, from Bowling on the Clyde, west-north-westward to Dumbarton, and northward thence, up the Vale of Leven, to Balloch at the foot of Loch Lomond. Authorised in 1846, and opened in 1850, it was worked for some time as an isolated line, communicating between steamboats on the Clyde and steamboats on Loch Lomond; but afterwards, from Bowling to Dumbarton, it became a constituent part of the Glasgow, Dumbarton, and Helensburgh railway. Later, too, it was joined, at the northern end, by the Forth and Clyde railway from Stirling; and, forming since 1862 a constituent portion of the Edinburgh and Glasgow, it was with it amalgamated with the North British in 1864.

Caledonian Canal, a line of inland navigation, partly artificial, partly natural, through the 'Great Glen' of Scotland. Glenmore extends right across the kingdom, directly south-westward, from the Moray Firth between the mouth of the Findhorn and the Sutors of Cromarty, to the island of Lismore at the northern end of the Sound of Mull; and it divides Inverness-shire, and the Highlands generally, into two nearly equal portions. Its NE end consists for 23 miles of the upper or narrow part of the Moray Firth; the SW end, for 32 miles, of salt-water Lochs Eil and Linnhe; and the intermediate part, with a total length of 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, is occupied for 38 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles by fresh-water Lochs Dochfour, Ness, Oich, and Lochy, and is traversed, over nearly all the rest of the distance, by streams which connect these lakes with one another, or with the sea-lochs. This intermediate part, certain portions of the lakes, and localities at the Moray Firth and at Loch Eil, are the region of the artificial portion of the Caledonian Canal. The navigation was designed to carry large vessels direct from sea to sea, in lieu of their encountering the delays and perils of the route round the Pentland Firth; and it serves also for the direct transit of swift steamers plying regularly between Inverness and Glasgow. James Watt, of steam-engine fame, prepared designs for the canal in 1773; but, his estimate (£165,000) alarming the projectors, nothing was done till 30 years later, when Telford and Jessop were authorised to prepare new estimates. The work was begun in 1803; was opened, only two-thirds finished, in October 1822; was completed in 1843-47; and cost, up to 5 May 1849, £1,311,270, though the original estimates (exclusive of land damage) had amounted to only £474,531.

A sea-lock commences the artificial part of the navigation at the Moray Firth; and this, in consequence of the shallowness of the sea-water and the flatness of the beach, is placed between the extremities of two artificial mounds, extending about 400 yards to the shore. The canal cut leaves the firth at Clachnaharry, about a mile WNW of Inverness; and goes 6 miles 35 chains to Loch Dochfour. A series of four locks is on it at Muirtown, about a mile distant from the stone bridge of Inverness; and a regulating lock is on it at Dochgarroch, near Loch Dochfour, was thoroughly repaired in 1869, and was then adjusted for the escape of salmon fry or smolt. A short deep cutting and five consecutive locks are at Fort Augustus, leading out the navigation

from the head of Loch Ness; and a canal cut of 5 miles 35 chains, with locks at Kytra and Aberhalder, goes thence to Loch Oich. The summit-level of navigation, Loch Oich lies 105 feet above high-water mark at Clachnaharry and Fort William; measures 3 miles 56 chains along the line of navigation; is, in many places, very shallow; and varies more than 9 feet in depth, according to the season. It thus presented great difficulties to the formation of a ship-passage—difficulties that were only overcome by the construction of a reservoir in Glangarry, for feeding it when low. A canal cut of 1 mile 65 chains goes from Loch Oich to Loch Lochy; and has two locks—the one a regulating lock to meet the occasional flooding of Loch Oich, the other having a fall of 9½ feet to suit the difference of level between the two lakes. Loch Lochy (93 feet) is 9½ miles long; and, for the purposes of the navigation, was raised about 12 feet above its natural level, by closing up its effluence into the river Lochy, and forming a new outlet for it at a higher level, so as to send off its effluence into the river Spean. A permanent weir, partly constructed of masonry, partly excavated from solid rock, was formed across the new outlet; and occasions the effluence to fall into the Spean at a point about 600 yards SE of the exit of the navigation from Loch Lochy. A regulating lock occurs at Gairlochy, near the foot of Loch Lochy; a canal cutting, 6½ miles in length, extends thence to Banavie; a series of eight locks, commonly called Neptune's Staircase, occurs at Banavie; and another canal cut, 1½ mile in length, with a descent of two more locks, extends thence to the sea-lock at Corpach, in the vicinity of Fort William. The navigation from end to end is so direct as to measure but 4 miles longer than a mathematical straight line; and has been so well maintained in its artificial portions as to make wonderful resistance to the abrading action of storm and flood. Twenty-eight locks are on the line—14 between the Moray Firth and Loch Oich, and 14 between Loch Oich and Loch Eil; and each is 170 feet long by 40 wide. The depth of water in the shallowest parts of the canal, at the standard level, is 17 feet. Steam tug-boats have been put on for tugging vessels through the locks and estuaries on the line of the navigation.

The canal, though a magnificent public work, cannot be said to have ever satisfactorily attained its purpose. It affords great facility to the transit of the northern fishing boats, inasmuch that in one year over 500 sailed through it in an almost unbroken line; it also has considerable value, both commercially and for tourists, in affording prompt regular transit to steamers between Inverness and the Firth of Lorn; it likewise has given important aid or impulse to several departments of local trade; but it never has answered well the grand design, for which it was formed, of carrying sea-borne vessels from sea to sea along Glenmore. The annual receipts, too, as compared with the annual expenditure, tell no very flattering tale—the latter sometimes exceeding the former considerably. New lock-gates are being provided throughout the canal, at an estimated cost of £20,000, met by Government grant.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 83, 73, 63, 62, 53.

Caledonian Railway. A railway originally designed as a trunk line connecting Edinburgh and Glasgow with Carlisle, but now embracing an extensive district, and forming the second in point of mileage and the first as regards traffic receipts of the railway systems in Scotland. An elaborate examination of the various proposals for providing railway facilities between England and Scotland was made by a Royal Commission, whose final report, 15th March, 1841, gave the preference to what is now the Caledonian system. It was not till 1845, however, that a Bill was brought into Parliament for its sanction. After a very severe contest an Act for its construction was passed in July, 1845, embracing a main line from Carlisle to Carstairs, in Lanarkshire, dividing there into a fork reaching Edinburgh on the one hand and Glasgow on the other, with a spur from the latter arm of the fork to join the Scottish Central railway at Greenhill for Stirling, Perth, and the North of Scotland. In constructing

this, 122½ miles in length, there was also taken in a portion of the Glasgow and Garnkirk and Wishaw and Coltness railways, lines opened in 1831 and 1834, and ranking early in the railway enterprise of the kingdom. For the original line, which was completed in 1848, the authorised capital was £2,100,000 in shares and £700,000 in loans. By extensions, amalgamations, leases, and working agreements the Caledonian railway now consists of 864 miles of railway owned by the company, 127 miles worked under agreement, 49½ miles of other companies' lines used under running powers, and the Forth and Clyde Canal, 52½ miles, being a total of 1093½ miles of public communications in the hands of the company. Of the system there are 2½ miles consisting of four lines of railways, 495 miles consisting of double line, the remainder consisting of single line. At July 1891 the capital expenditure of the company amounted to £42,997,512, of which there was raised in shares £33,494,492 (of which sum £11,797,084 stood as 'ordinary stock,' £2,784,693 as 'deferred' stock, and the remainder as 'guaranteed' and 'preference' stocks), and in loan and debenture stock £8,158,513, with some minor items of receipt. This capital total is to a certain extent fictitious, owing to the creation of nominal capital in consolidating various guaranteed and preference stocks, formerly carrying various dividends into stock at one uniform rate; and the 'deferred' capital is also nominal, being created to represent the claims of some of those consolidated stocks to contingent rights of dividend under certain specified circumstances.

In the half-year last reported, the railway carried 599,716 first class, 208,503 second class, and 10,514,301 third class passengers, making with 14,205 season-ticket holders, a total of 11,336,725 passengers, yielding a total revenue of £466,720. The goods revenue amounted to £859,625, the total revenue for the half-year being thus over 1½ million of money. To carry this trade the company possessed 681 locomotive engines, 1731 passenger-vehicles (including horse boxes, luggage vans, etc.), and 42,938 waggons, 30,644 of the latter being engaged in the vast mineral traffic of the company. In the course of the half-year those vehicles traversed in all 6,728,637 train-miles, of which there were run for passenger traffic 3,426,883 train-miles, and for goods and mineral traffic 3,301,754 miles. The gross revenue per train-mile was 54'48d., the passenger train average being 40'05d., and the goods train average 69'36d. per mile. As the main route of the mail service in Scotland, the Caledonian received in the half-year the sum of £33,957 for the conveyance of mails. The affairs of the company are controlled by a board of directors, fourteen in number.

As now extended, the Caledonian railway system covers a large portion of the railway map of Scotland, having Carlisle for its southern, and Aberdeen for its northern terminus, touching on the W Dumfries, Portpatrick, Ardrossan, Kilmarnock, Irvine, Wemyss Bay, Gourock, Greenock, Glasgow, Stirling, Bridge of Allan, Dunblane, Callander, Oban, Crieff, and Perth, and on the E Aberdeen, Arbroath, Dundee, Edinburgh, Leith, Carstairs, and Peebles. North-west of Perth the country is served by the Highland, and north and west of Aberdeen by the Great North of Scotland and allied railway systems. The various parts composing the Caledonian railway will be incidentally noticed under the name of the district where they occur: here only the general scope of the system will be detailed, proceeding from S to N.

From Carlisle to Beattock the line, which was opened in 1847, passes through a richly varied district, chiefly agricultural. Eight miles of the line are in England, and between the junction with the North British Longtown branch at Gretna and the Gretna Junction, a bridge over the Sark brings the line into Scotland. At Gretna Junction the Glasgow and South-Western main line strikes off to Annan and Dumfries, the traffic of that line into Carlisle being conducted under running powers. The next junction on the Caledonian system is at Kirtlebridge, where the Solway Junction line, sanctioned in 1864, branches off, crossing the Solway to Braxton, on

the Maryport and Carlisle line. The portion of the Solway Junction railway N of the Firth from the important town of Annan, was purchased by the Caledonian in 1873. The first town of importance on the main line is Lockerbie, where important lamb fairs and other stock markets are held, and where the line branches off to Dumfries, Stranraer, and Portpatrick. The Dumfries, Lochmaben, and Lockerbie Company was incorporated in 1860, to construct a line 14½ miles long, running through a pleasing district, opening up to view the numerous lochs which give the old burgh of Lochmaben its name, and giving Dumfries an important outlet to the N and E. The line was amalgamated with the Caledonian in 1865. Westwards from Dumfries, to Castle-Douglas, the railway, 19½ miles long, is in the hands of the Glasgow and South-Western Railway Company, and from Castle-Douglas to Stranraer and Portpatrick, the line (the Portpatrick) is now owned and worked by the Caledonian, Glasgow and South-Western, London and North-Western, and Midland Companies jointly. These companies have also running powers and facilities granted under statute to work over the Castle-Douglas railway from Dumfries to Castle-Douglas. The working companies through the Portpatrick railway provide an important connection with Ireland by means of steamers between Stranraer and Larne, now the shortest sea route since the passage formerly maintained between Portpatrick and Donaghadee was given up. The total mileage of the Portpatrick railway is 61½ miles, including the branch to Stranraer harbour.

Returning to the main Caledonian line, it is found to proceed northward through Annandale, till Beattock is reached. A branch line, opened 1883, to Moffat, 2 miles from Beattock, brings that favourite spa into connection with the railway system. North of Beattock there are deep rock cuttings, and the line ascends on a steep gradient to the summit-level, where an elevation 1012 feet above the sea is reached, about 10 miles beyond Beattock. The basin of the Clyde is now reached, at the lower parts of which the Caledonian railway has its greatest source of traffic and revenue. At Synnington, a branch to Biggar and Peebles, 19½ miles long, is thrown off. This railway was constructed to Broughton, 8 miles, under an Act of 1858, and in 1860 the extension to Peebles was authorised, and the line was amalgamated with the Caledonian in 1861. The main line is at this point, and for some distance northward, passing through a moorland and mountainous district, giving little promise of local traffic, but there are few parts of the railway system of the country where a larger or more important through traffic is carried. At Carstairs is an important junction. On the first construction of the line, it was merely the place where the lines for Edinburgh and Glasgow bifurcated, but it is now also the junction for the Lanark, Douglas, and Ayr route, and for a branch to Dolphinton, as well as a central goods and mineral yard for general traffic. The Dolphinton branch, 11 miles in length, was constructed in 1867. From Cleghorn, 2½ miles beyond Carstairs, the Lanark and Douglas branch, authorised in 1860, leaves the main line, but the passenger traffic is now worked direct to Carstairs. In 1865, a line of 11 miles was authorised from Douglas to Muirkirk, and on the opening of the 'Ayrshire lines' of the Glasgow and South-Western railway in 1872, running powers gave the Caledonian direct access to Ayr.

The Edinburgh section of the original line is 27½ miles long, and is now augmented by a series of branches and extensions. At Midcalder Junction the railway is joined by the Cleland line, 21 miles, constructed in 1868 to afford a short route between Edinburgh and Glasgow. This extension, which was opposed by the North British, was eventually constructed under an agreement by which the Caledonian consented not to oppose further the Tay Bridge scheme and other works then contemplated by the North British Company. An arrangement subsists by which all through passenger traffic between Edinburgh and Glasgow is shared between the two companies in certain proportions, irrespective of the number of passengers carried by each. Nearer Edinburgh a loop line,

5½ miles, constructed in 1874, leads to Balerno and Currie, rejoining the main line at Slateford. In the immediate vicinity of Edinburgh various connections have been made, being loops to facilitate the transference of traffic from the Leith branch, etc. A junction with the North British was also formed, by which the transfer of the North of Scotland traffic to the Company's own (Princes Street) station is made instead of to the North British 'Waverley' station. The Granton and Leith branches, 8 miles in all, were constructed as goods lines merely under Acts of 1857 and 1862, but in 1880 the Leith line was opened as a suburban passenger railway, with several stations, affording facilities to residents N and W of Edinburgh. The western breakwater at Granton harbour is used as a quay for railway traffic, and there, as well as at Leith docks, the Company derives a large traffic outward and inward. The terminus in Edinburgh is at the W end of Princes Street, where a handsome and commodious passenger station has recently been erected. Large goods and mineral yards have been laid out at Lothian Road and Morrison Street.

From Edinburgh, the Caledonian holds running powers over the North British railway to its own station at Larbert in Stirlingshire, and from this line there is a branch to Grangemouth, where the Company has constructed extensive dock and harbour works, and where the Forth and Clyde Canal has its eastern connection with the sea. This canal, which was acquired by the Company in 1867, was opened from sea to sea in 1790, and is 37 miles in length, with a summit-level of 150 feet, reached by 20 locks on the E side and 19 locks on the W. The capital, on amalgamation with the railway, was £1,141,333, on which the railway company guaranteed a dividend of £71,333 annually, or 6½ per cent., converted in 1881 to a 4 per cent. stock by the nominal increase of the capital at that rate to absorb the amount of the annuity.

Reverting to Carstairs Junction, the western fork proceeds to Gariongill, at which point, as already indicated, the route follows, as far as Glasgow, lines made under powers taken some of them as early as 1826, comprising 19 miles in all. Between Gariongill and Glasgow, by means of branches to a large number of outlying places, the map here presents a complex network of lines, the greater part of which is in the hands of the Caledonian. The main trunk route to the N, over which the 'limited mail' travels, diverges at Motherwell, proceeding to Castleary and Lower Greenhill, where the Scottish Central section, subsequently referred to, carries the line to Stirling, Perth, etc. Approaching Glasgow from the S, the route principally followed until lately was by the old Garnkirk route, reaching Buchanan Street station. The Central station in Gordon Street, with a splendid bridge over the Clyde above Broomielaw and parallel to Glasgow Bridge, was opened in 1879, at a cost approaching two millions sterling, since which time both the S traffic and the trains by the direct Cleland and Midcalder route to Edinburgh have been conducted to the new station. After crossing the river on leaving Glasgow, this line follows the route of the Clydesdale Junction, constructed in 1849, and incorporated as part of the Caledonian original system. It must suffice to say that the Caledonian in this district possesses lines to Larkhall and Lesmahagow, Stonehouse, Strathaven, Hamilton, East Kilbride, etc., and numerous mineral connections over and above its passenger lines. The Greenock and Paisley railway, opened in 1841, was taken as part of the Caledonian system in 1847, under a dividend guarantee, with a separate board for financial purposes. The Greenock branch was extended to Gonrock in 1889, where the trains run alongside a new pier constructed by the Company. A fleet of well-appointed saloon steamers ply daily at short intervals between Gonrock, Kilm, Dunoon, Innelan, Rothesay, and the West Highlands, and the steamers 'Columbia,' 'Iona,' 'Lord of the Isles,' and 'Ivanhoe' call during the season. The Wemyss Bay railway, 10 miles, was constructed in 1865, and is worked by the Caledonian, and, by means of an extensive service of steamers, provides a favourite

route to the watering places of the Clyde and the West Highlands. By an Act passed in 1869, the Caledonian became joint-owner with the Glasgow and South-Western of the line to Kilmarnock. The Lanarkshire and Ayrshire Company's line, which is worked by the Caledonian Company, extends from Lugton station on the Glasgow, Barrhead, and Kilmarnock joint line to Kilwinning, Salcoats, Ardrossan, Kilbirnie, and Irvine, and affords another route from Glasgow and Lanarkshire to these places, and to Arran in opposition to that of the Glasgow and South-Western Company. The distance from Glasgow to Ardrossan by the new route is 29½ miles and by the old route 31½. A pier and dock have been constructed at Ardrossan at great expense to meet the requirements of the passenger, mineral, and goods traffic by the new route.

The Scottish Central railway, projected in 1845, was completed from Greenhill to Perth in 1848, this portion being 45½ miles in length, and some additions were subsequently made to it prior to its amalgamation with the Caledonian in 1865, this amalgamation being carried after a fierce parliamentary contest. The extensions before and since amalgamation embrace a branch to Denny, 3 miles, and a branch to Alloa. The Caledonian Company also work the Kilsyth and Bonnybridge Railway in conjunction with the North British Company. At Dunblane, the Dunblane, Doune, and Callander, 10½ miles, branches off. This line was opened in 1858, and was leased by the Scottish Central, being subsequently amalgamated by it, and so eventually brought into Caledonian hands. The importance of this branch has been increased by the construction of the Callander and Oban railway, 72 miles, separately noticed, which is worked by the Caledonian Company. Near Auchterarder, a branch to Crieff, 9 miles, strikes off from the main line, and forms a circular route with the Crieff and Methven Junction, 11½ miles, and the Methven and Almond Valley to Perth, 6 miles, both now included in the Caledonian railway system. At Moncrieff, the North British Perth line *via* Fife joins the Caledonian, over which line they have running powers into Perth General Station. This station is the key of the whole of the traffic in the N of Scotland, and is in consequence a railway centre of great importance. The Caledonian Company possesses two routes out of Perth, one by the Dundee and Perth, 20½ miles to Dundee, and the other by Coupar Angus to Forfar and Aberdeen. The line to Dundee, opened in 1847, was amalgamated in 1863 with the Scottish Central, and in 1865 with the Caledonian. From Dundee, the Caledonian holds the Newtyle line, 14½ miles, which formerly left the town by a series of steep slopes worked by stationary engines, but was subsequently taken round by Lochee on better gradients, thus providing a line to that important suburb of Dundee. The Newtyle joins the other line from Perth, above referred to, near Meigle. The Dundee and Arbroath railway, 17 miles, was opened in 1838, and at an early period in its history was leased to the Scottish North-Eastern, by whom it was subsequently amalgamated as part of the Caledonian system. In 1879, carrying out a scheme originally sanctioned when the Tay Bridge Act was passed, this line was converted into a 'joint' possession of the Caledonian and North British companies, managed independently by a directorate elected by the two boards, so that this 17 miles forms an integral part of both systems. From the neighbourhood of Broughty Ferry is another cross line, joining the northern section from Perth. This is the Dundee and Forfar, or 'Forfar Direct' line, 17½ miles long.

The railways last described do not reckon as part of the main 'through' route to Aberdeen, that being on the other line proceeding N from Perth, but the Dundee and Arbroath line is continued to join the main line near Guthrie, forming a less direct through route. The first section of this route beyond Perth was constructed in 1848 as the Scottish Midland Junction line, reaching to Forfar 33½ miles. A short distance from Perth this line receives on the left the Almond Bank and Crieff railway, already mentioned, and at Stanley Junction the Highland

railway, which enjoys running powers over the Caledonian from this point to Perth, branches off. From Coupar-Angus, a branch leads to Blairgowrie, 5 miles, this being part of the original scheme; at Meigle, a branch to Alyth, 5½ miles, joins the main line, constructed under an Act of 1868, and amalgamated with the Caledonian in 1875. Another branch, 3½ miles, goes to Kirriemuir, this having also been part of the original Midland Junction scheme. From Forfar on the one hand, and Arbroath on the other, there is a line, 15½ miles, originally a separate undertaking to unite those two towns, and opened as early as 1839. When the Aberdeen railway was projected, this line was incorporated as a fork, the railway to Aberdeen leaving at Guthrie Junction, 50½ miles from Aberdeen, and having a junction fork at Frickheim towards Arbroath, thus affording access to both the routes to Perth that have been described. Branches from Bridge of Dun to Brechin, and Dultoun to Montrose, diverge from the main line, Guthrie to Aberdeen. In 1866 the whole of the lines now described from Perth to Aberdeen, which had already been associated as the Scottish North-Eastern, were incorporated with the Caledonian system.

The district commanded by the Caledonian Company is very much diversified, both as regards the scenery of the line, the character and occupation of the population, and the nature of the traffic drawn from the various sections. In no part of its system does it present memorable engineering works, although the difficulties of crossing some of the mosses on the original line from Carlisle, the solid rock tunnels on the Greenock and Gourock line and at Moncrieff Hill, the heavy cuttings near Beattock, the romantic and adventurous route through Glen Ogle on the Callander and Oban line, the bridge over the Forth at Alloa, the bridge over the Clyde at Glasgow, and the Central station there may deserve special notice. In Glasgow it forms the principal means of communication between this centre of the cotton, iron, and ship-building interests of Scotland, and the famous mineral district of Clydesdale. At Ardrossan, Greenock, Glasgow, Grangemouth, Granton, Leith, and Dundee, a large shipping trade is done, carrying coals and iron for export, and receiving a varied traffic in the imports from the Continent and America at those various ports. The line from Carlisle to Perth forms the main artery in Scotland of the great postal stream borne through the country by the 'limited mail,' and to Callander, Oban, and Aberdeen the mail is carried forward by rapid trains, as it is beyond Stanley over the Highland line. As a passenger line the Caledonian takes high rank, its stations embracing all the 'eight large towns' in Scotland, as well as nearly every populous district in the kingdom. As a means of access to the picturesque parts of Scotland, it occupies a position of great advantage, and issues an extensive programme of routes for tourists, embracing, on its own line, Bothwell, 'Tillituldum,' and the Falls of Clyde near Glasgow, with Edinburgh, Stirling, Oban, Perth, and Aberdeen amongst the attractive towns, and a journey of unexcelled interest through Perthshire and Argyllshire to Oban and the West Highlands. It also offers a series of circular tours through the Highlands and islands by means of the steamboats and railway companies with which it is in alliance. It forms part of the west coast route of communication between England and Scotland, acting in close alliance with the London and North-Western Railway Company. In this relation the Caledonian enjoys a large share of the traffic to and from England, and a practical monopoly of the railway traffic between Liverpool and Scotland.

Calif, a small island and a sea-strait in the NE of Orkney. The island lies off the NE extremity of Eday; measures about 1½ mile in length, and ¾ mile in extreme breadth; and is entirely pastoral. The strait is comparatively narrow, and forms a good harbour.

Calif or Calve, a small island in Kilninian parish, Argyllshire, lying nearly across the entrance of Tobermory harbour, on the NE coast of Mull.

Calfa, a small island near Tiree, Outer Hebrides, Argyllshire.

Calgary, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Kilmorian parish, Mull, Argyllshire. The mansion stands at the head of a small bay, opposite the middle of Coll island, and 13 miles WSW of Tobermory, under which it has a post office; and presents a fine appearance as seen from vessels sailing along the N coast of Mull.

Califer, a village in Rafford parish, NW Elginshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of its post-town Forres.

Callader or **Callater**, a loch near the southern border of Crathie and Braemar parishes, SW Aberdeenshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Castleton of Braemar. Lying 1627 feet above sea-level, it measures $6\frac{1}{2}$ by $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs; contains small delicate salmon, abundance of trout, and large pike; and sends off its superfluity by Callader Burn, running $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-north-westward to Clunie Water. The Queen's 'last expedition' with the Prince Consort (16 Oct. 1861) was up Glen Clunie to Glen Callader, 'which looked lovely, and which Albert admired much.'

Callander, a burgh and a parish of SW Perthshire. The village lies 250 feet above sea-level, on the river Teith, at the junction of the Dunblane, Doune, and Callander section of the Caledonian, with the Callander and Oban railway, 11 miles WNW of Dunblane, $15\frac{1}{2}$ NW of Stirling, $52\frac{1}{2}$ WNW of Edinburgh, $45\frac{1}{2}$ N by E of Glasgow, and $70\frac{1}{2}$ ESE of Oban. Beautifully situated on both sides of the river (here spanned by a three-arched bridge), and sheltered on the N by a line of precipitous crags, partly covered with wood, partly bare and weather-worn, it commands magnificent views of Ben Ledi, culminating $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N, and of the upper basin of the Forth engirt by crests of the Grampians, and culminating on the summit of Ben Lomond. It chiefly consists of one long wide street; is built on a regular plan, with good slated houses and numerous handsome villas; and owes its prosperity, first to the stationing of soldiers at it in 1763, next to the introduction of the cotton manufacture, next to becoming a centre for tourists visiting the Trossachs, next to the opening of the railway from Dunblane, and next to its coming into favour as a place for summer rustication. It continues to rise rapidly to importance as a focus of communication of every kind throughout the picturesque south-western section of Perthshire, together with similarly beautiful adjacent regions; is the starting-point of public conveyances from the terminus of the Dunblane railway westward to Loch Katrine and Loch Lomond; adopted the General Police and Improvement Act of Scotland of 1862; and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland and the Commercial Bank, several hotels, gas and water works, a public hall, with billiard and reading rooms and library, a hydropathic establishment, the parish church, a Free church, an Episcopal church, a public and a Free Church school, a Young Men's Christian Association, a curling club, etc. Fairs are held on the third Thursday of March (hiring), 16 May (cattle), the third Tuesday of July, and the third Thursday of December. The waterworks, formed in 1872 at a cost of £3000, draw their supply from the river Leny, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile below Loch Lubnaig. The parish church, built on the site of one erected in 1733, is a handsome modern building, as is also the Free Church; St Andrew's Episcopal church, Early English in style, was erected in 1859. The public school, with accommodation for 356 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 247, and a grant of £253, 12s. 6d. Pop. (1841) 1107, (1861) 884, (1871) 1271, (1881) 1625, (1891) 1538.

The parish, containing also the village of Kilmahog, was anciently a chapelry dependent on Inchmahome. It is bounded N by Ealquhiddy, NE by Comrie, SE by Kilmadock, S by Port-of-Monteith and Aberfoyle, and W by Buchanan in Stirlingshire. Its greatest length from E to W is $17\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth from N to S varies between $2\frac{1}{2}$ and 8 miles; and its area is $53,816\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which $2630\frac{1}{2}$ are water. Lochs KATRINE, ACHRAY, and VENNACHAR, with their connecting streams, lie along the southern boundary, at altitudes above sea-level of 364, 276, and 270 feet; the lower 2 miles of

Loch LUBNAIG project into the interior from the N, and, together with the river Teith which flows from it, divide the parish into two unequal parts, placing about one-third on the E and two-thirds on the W; Finglas Water rises on the northern border, and runs $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-south-eastward, through the interior, to the stream between Lochs Achray and Vennachar; and Keltie Water, with BRACKLAND Falls on it, rises also on the northern border, and runs $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-south-eastward through the eastern wing, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles along part of the eastern boundary, to the Teith, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE of Callander town. From W to E rise the following eminences, of which those marked with asterisks culminate on the northern or eastern boundary:—* Parlan Hill (2001 feet), * Meall Mor (2451), An Garadh (2347), Cruinn Bheinn (1787), Bealach-na-h-Iuriche (1592), * Lag a' Phuill (1649), Meall Cala (2203), Meall Gaimheich (1851), Sron Arnuille (1149), * BEN VANE (2685), BEN LEDI (2875), * Beinn Easich (2660), * Stuc a' Chroin (3189), * Meall-na h-Iolairie (1958), * Meall Odhar (2066), Cnoc Mor (1078), Callander Craig (1070), Meall Leathan Dhail (1479), and * Uamh Bheag (2179). The surface, indeed, consisting of the northern half of the upper portion of the basin of the Teith, is mainly mountainous throughout the N, and through great part of the centre, and exults in the magnificent scenery of the *Lady of the Lake* along all the southern border, including picturesque masses of the Grampians, together with Strathgartney, the better half of the TROSSACHS, all GLEN FINGLAS, the Pass of LENY, and the romantic glen and waterfall of Keltie. The higher grounds, in some parts, are clad with oak-woods and thriving plantations; a bold romantic height, the Crag of Callander, situated to the N of the town, forms a striking contrast to the valley below; and a fine peninsula, immediately W of the town, lies between the two great head-streams of the Teith flowing from respectively Lochs Vennachar and Lubnaig. All the chief places and objects are elsewhere noticed in separate articles. The rocks are various, and include some valuable minerals. Limestone, of a very beautiful colour and superior quality, chiefly deep blue with intersections or stripes of pure white, is plentiful, and has been largely worked. Slate of a blue colour and very durable, has been quarried on three estates. A grey sandstone, and a conglomerate have likewise been much worked for building purposes. A vein of lead ore is in Ben Ledi, and was for some time mined, but proved uncomensating. The soil of the arable land is partly a rich loam, capable of high cultivation, but mostly is a light gravel, greatly improved by draining and manure. Vestiges of a castle of the Earls of Linlithgow exist near the manse; remains of an ancient fortification, called BOCASTLE, crown a hill about 1 mile W of the town, and by Skene are identified with a stationary camp of Agricola (A.D. 80); but the fine embankments known as the 'Roman Camp' are now set down as a geological formation. Natives were Francis Buchanan, M.D. (1762-1829), writer on India, and Dr Rt. Buchanan (1785-1873), professor of logic in Glasgow University. Five miles from Callander is the farmhouse of Archnhillary, once the country house of Bruce, the celebrated Abyssinian traveller. At Cambusmore, 2 miles E of Callander, Sir Walter Scott wrote a great part of *The Lady of the Lake*. Coaches for the Trossachs leave the station, and run in connection with the morning and evening trains. Six proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 14 of between £100 and £500, 13 of from £50 to £100, and 41 of from £20 to £50. Callander is in the presbytery of Dunblane and synod of Perth and Stirling. The living is worth £328. Valuation (1891) £20,897, 12s. 11d. Pop. (1871) 1869, (1881) 2166, (1891) 2279.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 38, 39, 1861-69.

Callander and Oban Railway, a railway in Perth and Argyll shires, from a junction with the Dunblane, Doune, and Callander railway, at the town of Callander, 72 miles northward and westward to the town of Oban. Authorised in 1865, on a capital of £600,000 in shares, and £200,000 on loan, it was originally placed under arrangements with

the Scottish Central, which passed to the Caledonian; and by the latter company it is maintained and worked according to an Act of 1870. It was opened to Killin (17 miles) in 1870, to Tyndrum (18 miles) in 1873, to Dalnally (12 miles) in 1877, and to Oban (25 miles) in 1880, the aggregate cost of construction amounting to £670,022. It goes, by the Pass of Leny, along the western shore of Loch Lubnaig, to the vicinity of Lochearnhead; thence up Glen Ogle into the valley of the Dochart, at a point $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Killin; thence up the valley of the Dochart to Crianlarich, 6 miles NNE of the head of Loch Lomond; thence up Strathfillan to Tyndrum; thence west-south-westward to Dalnally; thence by the northern shore of Loch Awe and the Pass of Brander to Taynult; and thence along the southern shore of Loch Etive to Oban. The chief engineering difficulties on it are a gradient of 1 in 60 in the steepest part of the ascent from King's House, Balquhider, to the summit of Glen Ogle; another stiff gradient, over about 2 miles NW of Crianlarich to the top of the glen at Tyndrum; another in the descent toward Dalnally; and still another in the descent along the face of the cliff to the flat ground immediately behind Oban. The new West Highland Railway crosses the Callander and Oban line at Crianlarich, and the two lines thence run for a short distance parallel. See OBAN.

Callange, Coaltown of, North, and South, three neighbouring collier hamlets in Ceres parish, E Fife, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE by E of Cupar.

Callater, Loch. See CALLADER.

Callendar, an estate, with a mansion, in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire. The mansion, standing $\frac{3}{4}$ mile ESE of Falkirk town, amid finely wooded grounds, is an ancient edifice with very thick walls and antique turrets, and was formerly surrounded by a deep fosse, but has been greatly modernised. Queen Mary visited it; Cromwell stormed and captured it; General Monk made it his home during the stay of his troops in Scotland; Prince Charles Edward slept in it, 14 Sept. 1745; and General Hawley breakfasted at it with the Countess of Kilmarnock on the morning of his rout at Falkirk, 17 Jan. 1746; whilst at it Queen Victoria changed horses on her first visit to Scotland, 13 Sept. 1842. The estate was given, in 1246, by Alexander II. to Malcolm de Callender, and passed, in the reign of David Bruce, to Sir William Livingstone. To his descendant it gave the title of Earl in 1641; and coming along with that title, in 1695, to the Earl of Linlithgow, was forfeited, in 1716, by James, fourth Earl of Callendar and fifth of Linlithgow for his share in the '15. It was sold in 1720 to the York Buildings Company, in 1783 to William Forbes, Esq., a London merchant, whose grandson and namesake, the present proprietor (b. 1833; suc. 1855), owns 13,041 acres in the shire, valued at £16,215 per annum, including £3419 for minerals. The sum paid for it by Mr Forbes was £85,000, or not much more than half the value of the mere timber on it. Five splendid limes are in front of the mansion; a magnificent avenue of planes on the E leads to a lochlet full of aquatic vegetation; and deep forest glades are all around. The mausoleum of the Forbes family, a circular structure, with 12 fluted Doric columns, surmounted by a massive dome, is in one of the leafiest nooks of the park. A portion of Antoninus' Wall also, in a state of striking preservation, is on the estate.—*Ord. Sur.* sh. 31, 1867.

Callends, an estate in Newlands parish, Peebleshire, on the right bank of Lyne Water, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SSW of the parish church. It was purchased in 1840 for £8000 by the late Jas. Murray, Esq., who renovated the mansion. Henderland Hill (1123 feet), adjoining, is crowned by an ancient camp, whose three irregularly oval rings have a longest diameter of 445 feet.

Callernish, a village and a district of Uig parish, Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire, on the E coast of Loch Roag, 16 miles W of Stornoway. In the *Builder* of 12 June 1873, Mr Jas. Kerr of Edinburgh described a neighbouring 'cruciform sun-temple':—'A bed of peat moss, 5 feet thick, only recently cleared away by the proprietor, Sir James Matheson, had grown year by year

around the base of these standing stones. The only relics found were 2 curious built, sunk, altar chambers on the E side of the great gnomon or centre stone of a circle, having a built drain also from the same flowing towards the E. The standing stones are not hewn or dressed in any way, but are great upright blocks of gneiss. The dimensions of the gnomon are $16\frac{1}{2}$ feet high by 4 broad, and 1 foot thick, placed in the centre of a circle, 40 feet in diameter, formed of 12 stones, averaging from 10 to 13 feet high. From this circle a row of stones projects eastward 38 feet, another southward 69 feet, and another westward 43 feet. Then we find the grand meridian avenue from the N, extending in that direction from the circle 270 feet, formed of a double row of standing stones 27 feet apart. Walking up this avenue at 12 o'clock noon, and looking towards the great centre stone while the meridian sun throws his rays right athwart it, one can hardly fail to see the great object for which this rude memorial was erected. The village has a post office under Stornoway.

Calligray or Killigray, an island in Harris parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, nearly in the middle of the Sound of Harris. It measures about 2 miles in length and 1 in breadth; is nearly all deep uncultivated moss in the south end, but consists of good cultivated land in the north end; and is inhabited by a people who are mainly supported by fishing. Faint traces of a very ancient building, supposed to have been a heathen temple, are in its north end.

Callocho, a headland at the north-western extremity of Mull, Argyllshire, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of the north-eastern extremity of Coll, and 9 SW of Arduamurchan Point. It commands a magnificent view from Arduamurchan to Iona. The poet Campbell spent some time as a tutor in its neighbourhood; took deep impressions from the scenery around it; and afterwards embodied them in his *Elegy on Mull*.

Callum's Hill, a beautifully wooded eminence in Ferntower Park, Crieff parish, Perthshire. It has distinct remains of a camp of the Marquis of Montrose.

Cally, an estate, with a mansion, in Girthon parish, Kirkeudbrightshire. The mansion, standing amid an extensive park, 1 mile S of Gatehouse-of-Fleet, was built wholly of granite in 1763, from a design by Rt. Milne; about 1835 was greatly improved; includes a splendid marble vestibule, with some fine pieces of sculpture; and contains a noble collection of pictures, by Claude Lorraine, Ponsin, Velasquez, Murillo, Dürer, Sir Joshua Reynolds, etc., as also the splendid Sevres wedding casket of Marie Antoinette. The old house of Cally, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile to the N, is now an ivy-clad ruin. The owner, Horatio G. Murray-Stewart of Broughton (b. 1834; suc. 1835), holds 1584 acres in the shire, valued at £1707 per annum.

Cally, an estate, with a mansion, transferred by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 from the Persie section of Bendochy parish to Kirkmichael parish, Perthshire, on the river Arde, 8 miles NNW of Blairgowrie. A hamlet, called Bridge of Cally, is here on the river.

Calnadulach, a village in Muckairn parish, Argyllshire, near Connel Ferry.

Calrossie, an estate, with a mansion, in Logie-Easton parish, E Ross-shire, 1 mile N by E of Nigg station.

Calton. See EDINBURGH.

Calton. See GLASGOW.

Calton Hill. See EDINBURGH.

Calva, an islet and a harbour in Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland. The islet lies in the N side of the mouth of Kyle Sku, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by E of Scourie; and the harbour is a narrow strait between the islet and the mainland.

Calve. See CALF.

Calvine, a hamlet in Blair Athole parish, Perthshire, adjacent to Struan station, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Blair Athole village. It has a post and telegraph office. The Highland railway here crosses the river Garry on a handsome stone three-arched viaduct.

Cama Loch, a lake in the SE of Assynt parish, SW Sutherland, near Altnakealgach Inn. Measuring $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles in length, and from $\frac{1}{4}$ to 1 mile in width, it is

divided into two irregular sheets of water by a rocky peninsula—the upper one shallow and isletted, the lower deeper and with steeper banks, but both abounding with trout of from $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 lbs. A short stream leads to the head of Loch Veattie.

Cambie, a burn in Leslie parish, Fife, running from the skirt of the Lomond Hills eastward to the river Leven, a short way below Leslie House.

Cambo, a mansion on the SE border of Kingsbarns parish, Fife, near the coast, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by W of Craill. The seat of Sir Thos. Erskine, second Bart. since 1821 (b. 1824; suc. 1841), it suffered greatly from a fire of 8 July 1878. A small headland near it is called Cambo Ness; and some skerries, $2\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs NNE of the headland, bear the name Cambo Fings.

Cambray. See CUMBRAE.

Cambridge, a hamlet on the N border of Legerwood parish, Berwickshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Lauder.

Cambus, a village in Alloa parish, Clackmannanshire, at the confluence of the Devon with the Forth, and on the Stirling and Dunfermline railway, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Alloa town. It has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a station on the railway, a brewery, an extensive distillery, and a small harbour.

Cambusbarron, a village in St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of St Ninians town, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Stirling. It has a post office under Stirling, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a Free church, an Episcopal church, and a public school; and it shares in the wool-spinning and woollen manufacture of the parish. The public school, erected in 1875 at a cost of £4000, has accommodation for 268 children. Pop. (1891) 1121.

Cambus, Burn of, a hamlet in Kilmadock parish, Perthshire, 10 miles NW of Stirling, under which it has a post office.

Cambuscurry, a hill and a bay in Eddertoun parish, Ross-shire, on the inner Dornoch Firth, above the Meikle Ferry, 7 miles WNW of Tain. The hill has an altitude of about 600 feet above sea-level. The bay was once entered by an invading Danish fleet, but now has a depth of only 6 feet at high water. The shore around it is sandy; seems evidently to have gained upon the sea; and possibly might be recovered for the plough by means of embanking.

Cambusdoon, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Alloway *quoad sacra* parish, Ayrshire, on the right bank of the river Doon, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by W of Ayr. It is the seat of the widow of Jas. Baird, Esq. (1803-76) of Cambusdoon and Auchmedden, M.P. for Falkirk 1851-57, and founder of the Baird Trust 1874, who owned in the shire 19,599 acres, valued at £9043 per annum, including £1000 for minerals.

Cambuskenneth, an ancient abbey on a low peninsula, on the left bank of the river Forth, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile E of Stirling. The tract around was within Clackmannanshire until 1891, when the Boundary Commissioners transferred it to the county of Stirling. This tract is supposed to have been the scene of a conflict with the Picts by Kenneth II., or some other of the royal Kenneths, and to have thence derived its name of Cambuskenneth, signifying 'Field of Kenneth.' It is all alluvial and very fertile, forming one of those rich loops of the Forth, respecting which an old rhyme says—

'A crook o' the Forth
Is worth an earldom in the North.'

The abbey on it was founded in 1147 by David I.; was dedicated to the Virgin Mary; was planted with a community of monks of St Augustine, or canons-regular, from Aroise, near Atras, in the French province of Artois; was sometimes called the Monastery of Stirling; gave name to St Mary's Wynd, leading from High Street in Stirling; was very richly endowed; and, in 1445, was occupied by an abbot, a prior, and 17 monks. Its abbots, from the beginning of the 15th century, were often employed in high state duties, or raised to high civil offices. Abbot Henry, in 1493, was made

high treasurer of Scotland; Abbot Patrick Panther (1470-1519), reckoned one of the most accomplished scholars of his day, was secretary to James IV., a privy councillor, and afterwards ambassador to France; Abbot Alexander Myln (d. 1542), author of a Latin history of the Bishops of Dunkeld, twice printed for the Bannatyne Club, was employed by James V. in several state transactions with England, and became the first president of the Court of Session in 1532; and David Panther (d. 1558), last abbot of the monastery, and a distinguished scholar, was a privy councillor, secretary of state, and a frequent ambassador to foreign courts. The abbey itself, too, figured prominently in several great national affairs. Edward I. of England was here on 1 Nov. 1303 and 5 March 1304; Sir Niel Campbell, Sir Gilbert Hay, and other barons, in 1308, here swore on the High Altar to defend the title of Robert Bruce to the Scottish crown; a parliament assembled here in July 1326, remarkable as the earliest in which the representatives of burghs are minuted as having assisted; other parliaments, at other periods, assembled here; several of the Scottish kings here granted charters; and James III. (d. 1488) and Margaret of Denmark, his queen, were here interred before the high altar. The barony or property of the abbey, shortly after the accession of James VI. to the English throne, was given to John, Earl of Mar; was transferred by him to his brother, Alexander Erskine of Alva; remained with that gentleman's family till 1709; and then was purchased by the town-council of Stirling for the benefit of Cowan's Hospital. The abbey buildings were pillaged during the wars of the succession; were sacked and in great measure demolished, in 1559, by the iconoclasts of the Reformation; and are now represented by little more than one massive four-storied tower. This, 35 feet square and 70 high, is pure First Pointed in style; has a S doorway in a pedimental-headed projection, a polygonal NE stair-turret, and a low saddle-back roof, rising in a thin corbelled parapet; and thence commands a wide and brilliant view. A renovation was lately carried out to maintain its stability, but without effacing or altering its original or architectural features. Excavations also were made, in 1864, to discover the tomb of James III., and to ascertain the extent and alignment of the entire buildings; and were so far successful as to exhume the relics of the king and queen, and to lay bare the foundations of the cruciform church (178 × 37 feet) and the chapter-house. The sub-basement of the high altar was found about 3 feet beneath the surface, near the centre of the ruins; and a large flat block of limestone, covering the remains of the king and the queen, was found immediately in front of the high altar. The skull and other remains of the king were found in an oak coffin beneath the limestone block and close by were remains of a female figure, evidently the queen's. These, after a stucco cast of the king's skull had been taken for Stirling Museum, were carefully reinterred in an oak box; and a neat stone altar monument was erected over them, in 1865, by command of Queen Victoria. The cartulary of the abbey, written on 174 leaves of vellum, is preserved in the Advocates Library in Edinburgh, and was reproduced in *facsimile* for the Grampian Club in 1872 by W. Fraser.

Cambuskethan, a place with extensive grain mills in the W end of Kilmarnock parish, Ayrshire.

Cambuslang, a town and a parish of NW Lanarkshire, about 3 miles SE of Glasgow. The town is traversed by a romantic brook running into the Clyde, across which, near the west end of the town, a lattice-girder steel bridge, with stone abutments, was erected in 1893. It is about 300 feet long, and 25 feet wide between the parapets, and consists of three spans of 90 feet each. The four circular ashlar towers that support the girders rest upon concrete-filled cylinders 9 feet in diameter, that reach to the solid rock. Cambuslang contains a number of well-to-do Glasgow business people—an extensive turkey-red dyeing works, the Newton Steel Works, and a number of coalpits giving employment to the working population; and has a station on the

railway, a post office under Glasgow, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank, gas-works, a handsome parish church (1841; 1000 sittings), two other Established churches, two U.P. churches, a Free church, a Congregational chapel (1801), a Baptist chapel (1881), an Episcopal church, a R.C. church, and a handsome Institute and Library, opened in 1892. A spacious natural amphitheatre, on the green side of the ravine of the intersecting burn, a little E of the present parish church, served in 1742 as a substitute for the church of that date, from 8 Feb. to 15 Aug. being the scene of a remarkable religious revival—the Cambuslang Wark,—‘when,’ to quote the late Dr Hill Burton, ‘in an encampment of tents on the hill-side, Whitefield, at the head of a band of clergy, held, day after day, a festival, which might be called awful, but scarcely solemn, among a multitude calculated by contemporary writers to amount to 30,000 people.’ The centenary of the revival was commemorated on 14 Aug. 1842, by tent preaching in the ravine, and was attended by a multitude of persons variously estimated at from 10,000 to 12,000. A chapel on the edge of the ravine, near Sauchiebog, was founded in 1379, and dedicated to the Virgin Mary; and has bequeathed the name of Chapel-land to a plot of about 4 acres around its site. Pop. (1881) 5538, (1891) 8323.

The parish contains also groups of houses at Newton-Colliery, Flemington-Colliery, and the Steel Co. of Scotland Works at Hallside. It is bounded N by the river Clyde, separating it from Old Monkland; E by the Rotten Calder, separating it from Blantyre; S by East Kilbride; W by Carmunnock; and NW by Rutherglen. Its greatest length, from N by E to S by W, is $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles; its greatest breadth is $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 5209 acres, of which 49 are water. The surface is beautifully diversified with hill and dale. From less than 50 feet above sea-level along the Clyde, the surface rises towards a ridge, which, crowned by the summits of Dechmont (602 feet) and Turnlaw (553), occupies a breadth of about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and a length of 2 miles in the SW, and is part of a long range extending westward along the mutual border of Lanark and Ayr shires into Renfrewshire. The ground thence declines in a gradual manner, with beautiful irregularities and undulations, to the romantic glen of the Calder and to the low flat banks of the Clyde. The latter river is here from 200 to 250 feet broad; generally overflows part of the low grounds several times in the year; and has been known to rise 20 feet above its usual level. The rocks beneath the low lands belong to the Carboniferous formation. Coal is plentiful, has been worked for upwards of 300 years, and yields a large annual output; whilst ironstone also abounds, but has been worked on only a small scale. Limestone, so fine as to be known as ‘Cambuslang marble,’ is interstratified with some of the coal seams at a depth of 200 feet; has a beautiful dark grey or dark brown colour, with whitish streaks and spots; is capable of a very high polish; and has been used for ornamental purposes. Sandstone, of various colour and grain, from whitish to red and from fine to coarse, is plentiful, and has been largely quarried for building purposes. Trap rock abounds in the hills; and a hard bluish kind of it, interspersed with veins of red, blue, and violet quartz, is quarried on the E side of Dechmont. The soil on the hills is light and stony; along the banks of the Clyde is partly a light loam, partly a light sand; and elsewhere is mostly clay on a tilly subsoil. Very little land is waste or uncultivated. Chief antiquities are traces of ancient buildings on the summit of Dechmont, vestiges of Drumsargard Castle, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE of the parish church; Latrick mansion, of the 17th century, on the S side of Dechmont; and the site of an ancient hospital at Spittal, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of the church. Rt. Fleming (1630-94), author of *The Fulfilling of the Scripture*, was minister from 1653 to 1662 of Cambuslang, where was born his son and namesake (d. 1716), author of *The Rise and Fall of the Papacy*; another native was the Indian Evangelist, Claudius Buchanan, D.D. (1766-1815); and Gilbertfield gave designation to Wm. Hamilton (1670-1751), Allan Ramsay’s friend and brother-

pact. The principal mansions are Gilbertfield, Newton, Westburn, Caldergrove, Hallside, Morriston, Wellshot, and Millhugh; and 4 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 11 of between £100 and £500, 14 of from £50 to £100, and 27 of from £20 to £50. Cambuslang is in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the living is worth £445. Five public schools (Cambuslang, Hallside, Kirkhill, Newton, and West Coats), and St Bride’s Roman Catholic School, with respective accommodation for 527, 447, 436, 445, 625, and 343 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 388 and 38 evening, 492 and 37 evening, 356, 387, 249, and 267, and grants of £679, 4s. 7d. and £17, 12s., £519, 14s. 6d. and £19, 18s., £374, 12s. 6d., £352, 6s. 6d., £213, 14s. 2d., and £252, 4s. Pop. (1891) 15,364.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 23, 31, 1865-67.

Cambusmore, an estate, with a mansion, in the W end of Kilmadock parish, Perthshire, on the left bank of Keltie Water, immediately above its influx to the Teith, 2 miles ESE of Callander. Its owner, Jn. Buchanan-Baillie-Hamilton, Esq. of Arnprior, holds 12,172 acres in the shire, valued at £3207, 10s. per annum.

Cambusnethan, a village and a parish in the Middle Ward of Lanarkshire. The village, now incorporated in Wishaw police burgh, stands 1 mile WSW of Newmains station, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Wishaw station; contains a masonic hall, the parish church, a Free church, and a public school; and has fairs on the second Thursday of May and the fourth Thursday of October. The parish church, with 1082 sittings, is a plain Gothic structure, built in 1839 and enlarged in 1875; the public school, with accommodation for 460 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 377, and a grant of £413, 13s.

The parish contains also the towns and villages of Wishaw, Newmains, Overtown, Coltness Iron-works, Clydesdale-Rows, Chapel, Stane, Morningside, Waterloo, Bonkle, and part of Shotts Iron-works. It is bounded N by Shotts, E by Whitburn in Linlithgowshire and West Calder in Edinburghshire, SE by Carstairs, S by Carluke, SW by Dalserf and Hamilton, and W by Dalziel. Its greatest length, from E to W, is $7\frac{3}{4}$ miles; its breadth, from N to S, varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and 4 miles; and its area is 16,708½ acres, of which 100½ are water. The Clyde traces all the south-western boundary; the South Calder most of the northern, and the Garriol traces part of the southern, boundary; whilst four burns running eastward to Breich Water drain the north-eastern end. The tract along the Clyde is low and level, consisting of beautiful fertile haughs, and sinking to less than 100 feet above sea-level; the surface thence has a general eastward rise, attaining 356 feet near West Nethererton, 458 at Wemysshill, 570 near Newmains, 680 at Gallowhill, 844 near Springhill, and 950 on Auchterhead Muir. From the church at the village, one can see no fewer than 15 other parish churches; the line of the Caledonian railway, along the brow of the acclivities above the haughs upon the Clyde, looks over great part of Clydesdale; and the heights in the NE command views so extensive as to include the castles of Edinburgh and Dumbarton, Tinto and Loudoun Hills, and the Argylshire mountains. The tracts near the Clyde and South Calder, and parts of the interior are finely embellished with wood; the central parts, though naturally rich in aspect, are disfigured by mining operations, mineral works, and coal traffic; the eastern and north-eastern district is bleak and moorish. The rocks of great part of the parish belong to the Carboniferous formation, and are rich in good coal, valuable blackband ironstone, and excellent sandstone. Coal, worked in many places and to a vast amount, is exported E and W by all the railways. Blackband ironstone is found on the estates of Coltness and Allanton, and in the neighbourhood of Headlesscross; and supplies blast-furnaces of the Shotts Iron Company at Stane. Clay of excellent quality, in deposits generally 10 feet thick, abounds, and is used for very extensive tile-works at Wishaw and at Coltness. Cambusnethan House stands near the Clyde, amid charming grounds, at the ravine of Hall

Gill, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Wishaw station. Built in 1819, after designs by Gillespie Graham, it is an elegant Gothic edifice in imitation of a priory, and is the seat of Major-Gen. Graeme Alex. Lockhart (b. 1820; suc. 1873). Other chief mansions are Wishaw House, Coltness, Allanton, and Muirhouse. Twelve proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 43 of between £100 and £500, 66 of from £50 to £100, and 121 of from £20 to £50. The entire parish was anciently one barony belonging to the Bairds, from whom it passed to successively the Stewarts and the Somervilles. The ancient parish church stood in a very romantic spot, in the near vicinity of the Clyde, at the SW point of the parish; seems to have been built at a very remote period for the accommodation of the family occupying the original mansion of Cambusnethan; and is now represented by a mere fragment, showing some remains of architectural magnificence. Another old place of worship, which has left no vestiges, stood towards the centre of the parish, at a place still called Chapel; and a third, where the famous Covenanting ministers Cameron and Renwick preached, stood at Darnead Linn, in the extreme NE. Cambusnethan is now in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; and is divided among the *quoad sacra* parishes of Cambusnethan, Calderhead, Wishaw, and Overtown, the first being a living worth £375. Under a school-board for the entire parish there are 13 schools, viz.—5 at Wishaw, and others of Berryhill, Cambusnethan, Morningside, Waterloo, Coltness Iron Company (Overtown), Coltness Iron-works (Newmains), Overtown, and Newmains. With total accommodation for 4698 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 3655, and grants amounting to £3413, 17s. 5d. Valuation £91,036, 16s. Pop. (1801) 1972, (1831) 3824, (1841) 5796, (1861) 14,601, (1871) 20,326, (1881) 20,824, (1891) 22,709; of registration district (1871) 18,709, (1881) 19,287, (1891) 21,142.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 23, 1865. See the Rev. P. Brown's *Historical Sketches of the Parish of Cambusnethan*.

Cambus, Old. See ALDCAMBUS.

Cambustane or Camustane, a hill (500 feet) in Monikie parish, Forfarshire, culminating $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Panmure House, 5 miles NW of Buddon Ness, and 9 ENE of Dundee. It is crowned by both an ancient monument and the 'Live and let live Testimonial' in honour of the late Lord Panmure. The ancient monument is an ornamented stone pillar, in the form of a cross; and is alleged to mark the spot where Camus, the Danish general, was slain and buried in 1010, after the apocryphal rout of his army by Malcolm II. at BARRY. The Panmure testimonial was erected in 1839 by the tenantry on the Panmure estate, 'to perpetuate the memory of a nobleman who, through a long life, made the interests and comforts of his tenantry his sole and unwearying object.' Constructed after a design by John Henderson of Edinburgh, it rises to the height of 105 feet from the ground, and consists of a broad lower basement of rustic work, containing one or two small rooms, a quadrangular upper basement, the angles of which are flanked with heavy open buttresses, a colossal cylindrical column rising up into a balustrade, and surmounted by an ornamental vase, and an interior pillar in the centre of the cylindrical column, winged all round with a spiral staircase; and it figures conspicuously over a great expanse of country and of neighbouring estuary and ocean.

Cambus-Wallace, a locality in Kilmadock parish, Perthshire, 1 mile NW of Doune. A battle is traditionally said to have been fought near it, in the Middle Ages, between the families of Rosshall and Craighton; and several ancient Caledonian tombs, each enclosed with four stones, were discovered near it about the beginning of the present century.

Cambus-Wallace. See BIGGAR.

Camelon, a village and a *quoad sacra* parish in Falkirk parish, Stirlingshire. The village stands on the northern bank of the Forth and Clyde Canal, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile W by N of the town of Falkirk, near the site of a Roman town. - It long presented a squalid, woe-begone appearance, but began about 1866 to undergo material improvement;

and it now has a post office under Falkirk, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a savings bank (1867), nail factories, iron foundries, an Established and a Free church, the Falkirk cemetery, and a public school. The ancient Roman town stood on the river Carron, which winds $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the N; figures generally in modern notices of it as Old Camelon; is identified by some antiquaries with the Roman Ad Vallum; and, having this peculiarity that it lay just outside Antoninus' Wall, was connected therewith by an iter leading onward to the country N of the Forth. It appears, on good evidence, to have been a seaport, under circumstances when not only the river Carron was navigable beyond its site, but the Firth of Forth covered great part of what is now the Carse of Falkirk; and, between the retiring of the Romans and the 9th century, it is said to have been continuously occupied as a town by the Picts. An anchor was exhumed at it in 1707; two stones bearing unmistakable marks of the Roman chisel were discovered early in this century, built up in the front of one of the houses of the present village; and twelve gates of brass are fabled to have pierced the walls of the ancient city. In 1851, too, the cutting of the Polmont Junction railway exposed a sewer, which, being excavated about 1868 by the late Sir Jas. Simpson and Dr Hill Burton, yielded fragments of glass and of pottery, partly of Samian ware. The *quoad sacra* parish is in the presbytery of Linlithgow and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; its minister's stipend is £170. Pop. of village (1841) 1340, (1861) 1308, (1871) 1838, (1891) 2457; of *g. s.* parish (1871) 3286, (1881) 2724, (1891) 3332.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867. See Roy's *Military Antiquities*; pp. 61, 107, of Glennie's *Arthurian Localities*; and Nimmo's *Stirlingshire*.

Camend, a hamlet in the E of Lanarkshire, 1 mile from its post-town Carnwath.

Cameron. See BONHILL.

Cameron, a parish in the E of Fife. It contains the hamlets of Denhead, Lathones, and Radernie, 3, 6, and 6 miles SW of St Andrews, under which the first has a post office; and its church stands 4 SW of St Andrews station. Bounded N and NE by St Andrews parish, E by Dunino, SE by Carnbee, SW by Kilconquhar, and W by Ceres, it has an extreme length from E to W of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme breadth from N to S of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 9324 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres. The undulating surface nowhere much exceeds 600, or sinks below 300, feet above sea-level, but presents a series of gentle elevations, nearly parallel to one another, and extending from W to E. It is drained by burns, rising mostly on or near its western border, two of which trace the northern and south-eastern boundaries, whilst the longer Cameron Burn runs past the church eastward into Dunino, there to fall into Pitmillie Burn. Drumcarrow Craig, a rugged mass of trap, situated in the NW, is the only hill. Coal is worked; and trap rock, sandstone, and limestone are quarried. The soil in some parts is poor and moorish on till or moorland; in other parts is either clay or black earth on a retentive bottom; in other parts is a dry kindly loam on gravel or on trap rock. About 66 per cent. of the entire area is regularly or occasionally in tillage, some 25 are permanent pasture, and rather more than 6 are under wood; rather less than 3 are waste. Mount Melville in the N, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of St Andrews, is the only considerable mansion; at it was born the well-known novelist, Major Geo. Jn. Whyte-Melville (1821-78). Disjoined from St Andrews parish in 1645, Cameron includes part of the *quoad sacra* parish of Largoward, and is in the presbytery of St Andrews and synod of Fife. Its own *quoad sacra* portion had 662 inhabitants in 1891, and the living is worth £340. The church, a very plain structure, was built in 1808, and contains 495 sittings. There is also a U.P. church at Lathones; and three public schools—Cameron, Denhead, and Radernie—with respective accommodation for 68, 67, and 101 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 41, 46, and 52, and grants of £43, 16s. 6d., £33, 18s. 6d., and £45, 3s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £8417, 7s. 11d. Pop. (1801) 1095, (1831) 1207, (1841) 1167,

(1861) 1362, (1871) 1158, (1881) 1003, (1891) 886.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 41, 49, 1857-65.

Cameron Bridge, a haulie in Markinch parish, Fife, on the river Leven, and on the East of Fife railway, adjacent to Windygates village, 2 miles W by S of Leven. It has a station on the railway, and a very large distillery; of the bridge that gave it its name an old rhyme says—

'Lochtie, Lothrie, Leven, and Ore
Kin a' through Cameron Brig bore.'

Cameron Bridge, a hamlet in Liberton parish, Edinburghshire, on Braid burn, 2 miles SSE of the centre of Edinburgh. Cameron House is in its north-north-western vicinity.

Cameron's Stone. See AIRDSMOSS.

Camghouran, a village in Fortingal parish, NW Perthshire, on the S shore of Loch Rannoch, 8 miles WSW of Kinloch Rannoch.

Camiestane, a place in Kintore parish, Aberdeenshire, traditionally said to have been a battlefield, where a general of the name of Camus was slain and buried.

Camieston, an estate in St Boswells parish, Roxburghshire, 2½ miles SW of Newton St Boswells.

Camilla, a small loch in the E of Auchtertool parish, Fife, ½ mile NE of Auchtertool village. It took its name from the old mansion of Camilla or Hallyards, measures ¼ by ½ mile, and is 22 feet deep. Flanked to the N by a steepish eminence, partly bare rock, partly covered with brushwood, it contains perch, pike, and eels; and sends off a streamlet 2 miles eastward to Keith Lake.

Camisendun, a bay in Durness parish, Sutherland, within Loch Eriboll, near the ferry, 6½ miles ESE of Durness village. It affords excellent anchorage; and is a resort of vessels, under stress of weather, unable to double Cape Wrath or attempt the Pentland Firth.

Camis Eskan. See CAMUS ESKAN.

Camismore, a village and a bay or sea-loch in Kilmuir parish, W coast of Skye, Invernessshire.

Camistinavaig, a village and bay in Portree parish, E coast of Skye, Invernessshire.

Camlachie, one of the seven parliamentary divisions of the city of Glasgow, also a registration district, and a burgh of NW Lanarkshire, in the *quoad sacra* parish of Parkhead and the civil parish of Barony. The old suburban town of Camlachie stood chiefly along the N road from Glasgow to Hamilton, from a point about 1½ mile E of Glasgow Cross, thus forming a link between the extreme E of the city proper and the suburb of Parkhead. Camlachie has an almost entirely working-class population, and contains chemical, iron, and steel works, other factories, a distillery, a police station, Camlachie Institute, Parkhead *quoad sacra* parish church, a Free church, and the Glasgow Eastern (or Janehead) Necropolis. The burn rises in the vicinity of Gartcraig; runs in a south-easterly direction; forms, for some distance, the boundary between Barony parish and Glasgow royalty; and, after a total course of about 3½ miles, falls into the Clyde much polluted. Pop. of par. div. (1891) 71,157; of registration district, 43,690.

Camlarg, a collier hamlet in Dalmellington parish, Ayrshire, about 1 mile from Dalmellington village. A coal mine here is nearly 20 fathoms deep; has two seams of coal, respectively 22 and 36 inches thick; and sends up its output by means of a peculiar water-worked contrivance.

Camussmore. See CAMISMORE.

Camph, a hamlet in the S of St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire, 2½ miles S by E of Bannockburn.

Camph, an ancient circular fort on the mutual border of Aberlemno and Rescobie parishes, Forfarshire, on the summit of Turin Hill, 4½ miles ENE of Forfar. It incloses a considerable space, was fortified with a double rampart, and commands a very extensive view.

Camph, an ancient fort in Robertson parish, Roxburghshire, on the lands of Borthwickshields.

Camph, a farm in Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, near Baillieston. Pieces of horse harness, apparently of ancient date, have frequently been exhumed on it.

Camp, a hill (1153 feet) in Yetholm parish, Roxburghshire, on Halterburn farm, adjacent to the English border. An ancient Caledonian fort on it measures about 250 yards in diameter, has two ramparts and two fosses, and must have been almost impregnable.

Camp, Kilmfrewshire. See CAMPBELL.

Campbell Castle. See CASTLE-CAMPBELL.

Campbell's Cairns, a place in Knockando parish, Elginshire, supposed to have got its name from being the scene of a defeat of the Campbells in conflict with some other clan.

Campbeltown, a town and a parish of Kintyre, Argyllshire. A royal and parliamentary burgh, a seat of considerable manufacture, a seaport, and the centre of a fishery district, the town is situated at the head of a bay, called Campbeltown Loch, on the E side of Kintyre, 11 miles by land NE of the Mull of Kintyre, and 35 SSW of Tarbert, whilst by water it is 39 miles W by S of Ayr, and 83 SW of Glasgow. To quote from the *Memoir of Norman Macleod, D.D.* (1876), 'Campbeltown lies at the head of a loch which, ¾ mile in breadth, curves westward for 2½ miles into the long promontory of Kintyre, not far from its southern termination. The loch forms a splendid harbour. The island of Davarr (300 feet), thrown out like a sentinel from the hills, and connected with the shore on the SW side by a natural mole of gravel, protects it from every wind; while, from its position near the stormy Mull, whose precipices breast the full swing of the Atlantic, it affords a secure haven to ships which have rounded that dreaded headland. The external aspect of the town is very much like that of any other Scotch seaport—a central cluster of streets, with one or two plain churches lifting their square shoulders above the other houses, a quay, a lean steeple, the chimneys of some distilleries, thinner rows of whitewashed houses stretching round the "Lochend," and breaking up into detached villas buried in woods and shrubberies. The bay of Campbeltown is, however, both picturesque and lively. Cultured fields clothe the slopes of the hills, whose tops are purple with heather, and beyond which ranges of higher mountains lift their rough heads. There are fine glimpses, too, of coast scenery, especially to the S, where the headlands of Kilkerran fall steeply into the sea. But the bay forms the true scene of interest, as it is the rendezvous of hundreds of fishing-smacks and wherries. There is continual movement on its waters—the flapping and filling of the brown sails, the shouts of the men, and the "whirr" of the chain-cable as an anchor is dropped, keep the port constantly astir. Larger vessels arc also perpetually coming and going—stormed-stayed merchant ships, smaller craft engaged in coast traffic, graceful yachts, and Revenue cruisers.' A plain, 5 miles in length and 3 in breadth, extends from the head of the bay westward to the shore of the Atlantic; and from both sides of the bay and of the plain, the surface rises into groups of hills. Those to the N are bare, and, not exceeding 710 feet above sea-level, do little more than diversify the landscape; but those to the S have a considerable aggregate of wood, and go boldly aloft, with diversity of contour, to a culminating altitude of 1154 feet in Beinn Ghulean, 1½ mile SSE of Campbeltown.

The site of the town was the original seat of the Dalriadan monarchy, then bearing the name of *Dalruadhain*. It was long the centre of a numerous population; but, after the removal of the seat of the Dalriadan kingdom to the shores of Lorn, it became comparatively deserted. St Ciaran, one of the 'Twelve Apostles of Ireland,' landing in the 6th century at Dalruadhain, spent much time in a cave about 4 miles distant, still known as *Cave-a-Chiaran*, and founded a great number of small churches throughout Kintyre, vestiges of some of which yet exist. He came to be regarded as the apostle and the patron saint of all Kintyre, and was viewed as specially the founder and patron of the mother church at Dalruadhain, inasmuch that the place changed its name to *Chille-a-Chiaran*, or, in modernised form, *Kilkerran*. The Macdonalds, Lords of the Isles, sprung from a powerful chief of Kintyre, adopted Kilkerran,

the quondam Dalruadhain, as a sort of capital of their territory; and, renovating or rebuilding the town, with addition of a strong castle, called it *Kinlochkerran*, signifying the head of Ciaran's Loch. James V., in the course of his conflicts with the Macdonalds, brought a strong force against the town, but he met much resistance, and could scarcely be said to subdue it; afterwards he made a grant of it, and of all the surrounding territory, to the Campbells of Argyll, and gave them authority to seize and hold it by their own military power. The terrible struggle that followed was prolonged through many years, and so depopulated Kinlochkerran and all Kintyre as to convert them almost into a desert. The famous Earl of Argyll sent hence, in 1685, his notable declaration of war against James VII.; and, notwithstanding his own immediate fall, led the way to a grand change of the local fortunes after the revolution of 1688. The Lowlanders who had joined his standard were encouraged to settle in Kintyre, specially on and around the site of the ancient Dalruadhain; others came from the opposite mainland, bringing with them their servants and dependants, and speedily these formed a community of pious and industrious inhabitants. The town had been made a burgh of barony, but was then no more in reality than a fishing village; it had undergone change of name from Kinlochkerran to Campbeltown, in honour of its new proprietors, the Campbells of Argyll; it began now to be much improved, or almost reconstructed, by its new masters; and, in 1700, it was constituted a royal burgh. Its history thenceforth is simply a record of progress and steady prosperity.



Seal of Campbeltown.

The town, curving round the head of the bay in the segment of a circle, has streets more picturesque in grouping than orderly in detail; but includes, scattered about the shore and on the slopes of the hills, a number of villas and other houses which add much to the pleasant aspect of the bay, and give a general aspect of taste and opulence. The ancient castle, said to have been rebuilt by James V., has left no traces. A granite cross, richly sculptured with foliage, stands in the main street; appears to date from the 12th century; was thought by Gordon, in his *Itinerarium Septentrionale*, to be a Danish obelisk; is commonly believed to have been brought from either Oransay or Iona—most probably from Iona; but, not improbably, was cut and carved near the spot on which it stands. The prison, as altered and enlarged in 1871, contains 15 cells. Other public edifices are the county buildings (1871), a handsome stone structure in the Baronial style; the town-hall, with a spire; the custom house; a public wash-house; and a Gothic Good Templars' hall (1872). Four parish churches and several small chapels were formerly in the town; but two of the churches are now in ruins, and none of the chapels are represented by more than fragments of wall or heaps of rubbish. One of the two existing churches occupies the site of the ancient castle, and is sometimes called the Castlehill church; it was built in 1781, and contains 1083 sittings. The second or Gaelic church

was built in 1807, and contains 1528 sittings; its fine stone spire was added in 1836. There are also two Free churches, the one at Lochend, the other in Lorne Street, a U.P. church, St Ciaran's Episcopal church, and St Ciaran's Roman Catholic church (1850; 432 sittings), to which last a presbytery and schoolhouse were added in 1880. The U.P. church, rebuilt in 1872 at a cost of £11,000, is in the Greco-Italian style, with a massive tower 150 feet high, surmounted by an open-ribbed lantern dome; contains 950 sittings, arranged in amphitheatre form; and has behind it a meeting-hall with 200 sittings. The site of the previous church was immediately in front of the present one, and is now laid out in shrubberies. Five schools under the burgh school-board (Dalintober, Grammar, Millknowe, Campbeltown Female Industrial, and St Kieran's R.C.), with respective accommodation for 453, 644, 527, 149, and 141 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 427 day and 48 evening, 440, 376, 138, and 104, and grants of £396, 8s. 1d. and £23, 16s., £569, 0s. 6d., £414, 8s. 6d., £120, 15s., and £83, 8s. There are further an athenæum, an agricultural society, a national lifeboat establishment, and various local charities. Campbeltown is the headquarters of the Argyll and Bute Artillery Militia, and has an artillery volunteer battery and a rifle volunteer corps. For the latter a large drill-hall, called the Victoria Hall in honour of Her Majesty's Jubilee, was erected in 1887.

The town possesses a head post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, offices of the Bank of Scotland, Royal, Commercial, and Clydesdale banks, a savings bank (1827), insurance agencies, several hotels and inns, gas and water works, and 2 Saturday papers, the Independent *Argyllshire Herald* (1855), and the Conservative *Campbeltown Courier* (1873). Friday is market-day; and horse fairs are held on the first Thursday of February, the second last Wednesday of May, the second Wednesday and Thursday of August, Friday before last Wednesday of October, and the third Thursday of November. The harbour, with a depth of from 3 to 15 fathoms at low water, possesses three piers; and a lighthouse on Davarr island, built at a cost of £4916 in 1854, shows every half minute a white revolving light, visible at a distance of 17 nautical miles. On 31 Dec. 1891, 34 vessels of 2165 tons were registered as belonging to the port, 6 of 617 tons being steamers, against a total tonnage of 2251 in 1835, 1488 in 1843, 1724 in 1861, 2355 in 1873, and 2830 in 1880. The following table gives the tonnage of vessels that entered and cleared from and to foreign and colonial ports and coastwise, in cargoes and also (for the last three years) in ballast:—

	Entered.			Cleared.		
	British.	Foreign.	Total.	British.	Foreign.	Total.
1851	65,069	36	65,135	49,494	...	49,494
1861	43,632	...	43,692	37,222	...	37,222
1874	61,838	2,353	64,191	60,454	2,244	62,698
1880	83,876	3,014	86,390	82,824	2,924	85,748
1891	109,245	...	109,245	109,076	...	109,076

Of the total, 1146 vessels of 109,245 tons, that entered in 1891, 773 of 91,437 tons were steamers, 32 of 3367 tons were in ballast, and 1132 of 105,174 tons were coasters; whilst the total, 1134 of 109,076 tons, of those that cleared included 776 steamers of 92,121 tons, 418 ships in ballast of 23,077 tons, and 1134 coasters of 109,076 tons. Of coal 1495 tons were received coastwise in 1890, other imports being barley, timber, and general merchandise; the chief exports, whisky, fish, live-stock, potatoes, etc. The value of the total exports is trifling, but in 1891 the foreign and colonial imports were valued at £55,788. Steamers sail daily to Glasgow in summer and thrice a week in winter. Campbeltown also is head of the fishery district between Fort William and Inverary, in which, during 1890, there were cured 4770 barrels of white herrings, besides 57,025 cod, ling, and hake—taken by 632 boats, the persons employed

being 1978 fishermen and boys, 51 curers, 33 coopers, and some hundreds of others, and the total value of boats, nets, and lines being estimated at £28,486. Ship-building is a recent development, 1 vessel of 700 tons having been launched here in 1891 (against three in the three preceding years). The whisky distilleries, however, are still the distinctive features of the place, there now being 23—a decrease of 2 since the *New Statistical Account* was written. The quantity of proof spirits annually produced is somewhat under 2,000,000 gallons, the duty on which is about £967,000, and which, bearing a high repute, are exported to the Lowlands, England, Ireland, and foreign countries. There are, besides, a small woollen factory, a net factory, a rope-walk, the neighbouring Drumlemble colliery, &c.

The burgh is governed by a provost, a senior and a junior baillie, a dean of guild, a treasurer, and twelve councillors. A sheriff court is held every Friday, and a justice of peace court on the first Monday of every month. The town council are police commissioners. The town, as to its police force, is united to the county, and is the superintendent's station for the district of Kintyre. The corporation revenue, inclusive of income from the harbour, was £1544 in 1852, £1870 in 1862, £3334 in 1870, £11,377 in 1880, and £12,302 in 1891. Campbeltown unites with Ayr, Irvine, Inverary, and Oban in sending a member to parliament, its parliamentary constituency numbering 918 in 1891. The annual value of real property—£14,182 in 1863—was £33,618 in 1891. Pop. of parliamentary burgh (1891) 8235.

The parish of Campbeltown contains also the villages of Dalintober and Drumlemble. Comprising the four ancient parishes of Kilkivan, Kilmichael, Kilkerran, and Kilchouland, it was consolidated, under the name of Kinlochkerran or Lochhead, soon after the Reformation. It is bounded N by Killean and Saddle, E by the Firth of Clyde, S by Southend, and W by the Atlantic Ocean. Its length from N to S varies between $5\frac{1}{2}$ and $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles, its breadth between $4\frac{1}{2}$ and $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its land area is 44,220 acres. The extent of western coast is about 8, of eastern 14, miles. Campbeltown Loch on the E, and Machrihanish Bay on the W, lie opposite each other, and render the plain between them much the narrowest part of the parish. The shore on the E is chiefly rocky toward the N, a sandy beach on both sides of Campbeltown Loch, and boldly precipitous toward the S; but on the W, except to the S, is entirely sandy. The plain of 5 miles in breadth, already noticed as extending from the head of Campbeltown Loch to Machrihanish Bay, bears the name of Laggan of Kintyre; presents some appearance of being alluvial, or rather diluvial; and probably, at a comparatively recent geological period, lay under the sea. From it the surface rises northward to a hill near Ancha Lochy (710 feet), Ballivulline Hill (600), Ranachan Hill (706), Skeroblin Cruach (640), Easach Hill (1064), and Sgreadan Hill (1298); southward to Beinn Ghùilean (1154), Ballinmenach Hill (379), Achinchoan Hill (980), Arinarach Hill (1031), Tifrigus Hill (853), Skerry Fell Fad (781), The Slate (1263), and, on the Southern border, Cnoc Moy (1462). Of these Beinn Ghùilean, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSE of the town, commands a magnificent view of the Ayrshire coast, the Firth of Clyde, Kintyre, the NE of Ireland, and the Islay and Jura group of the Hebrides. Sheets of water are Black Loch ($1 \times \frac{1}{2}$ furl.), the Reservoir (3×1 furl.), Ancha Lochy ($2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ furl.), and three or four others; streams are Machrihanish Water, flowing westward, and Glenussa Water, eastward. The rocks are variously eruptive, metamorphic, Silurian, Devonian, and carboniferous; and include quartz, porphyry, sandstone, limestone, coal, and ironstone. Drumlemble colliery, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S of the town, has been noticed under Argyllshire, p. 71. Porphyry on Davarr islet of not fewer than ten or twelve different kinds, very beautiful, easily wrought, and capable of a fine polish, has hitherto been neglected, but a kind of porphyry much used for local building is quarried on the estate of Kilkivan. Calc-spar and a kind of quartz, inclining to amethyst, are found in various places. Salt from sea-water was formerly manufactured,

on a considerable scale, at a place on Machrihanish Bay, still called Salt Pans. The soils are of various character, according to the elevation or contour of the land, and to the character of the subjacent rocks; and range from very good on alluvial tracts to very poor on the hill summits. About two-thirds of the entire area are under tillage; a considerable aggregate is under wood; and the remainder is either pasture or heath. Vestiges of a battery, commonly called the Trench, raised for defence against the Irish allies of the Marquis of Montrose under Colkitto, are on a point of land at the entrance of Campbeltown Loch. Elizabeth, first Duchess of Argyll (d. 1735), the mother of the great Duke John and of Duke Archibald, lived for more than 20 years at Linnecraigs, and was interred at the S corner of the now ruinous Leland Kirk; in the town was born the celebrated Norman Macleod, D.D. (1812-72), his father being parish minister from 1808 to 1825; and a well-known U.P. minister of Campbeltown was Thos. Finlayson, D.D. (1809-72). Mansions are Linnecraigs, Kildalloig, Drumore, Kilchrist Castle, Lossett Park, and Askomil. The Duke of Argyll is chief proprietor, but 8 other land-owners hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 80 of between £100 and £500, 46 of from £50 to £100, and 100 of from £20 to £50. Campbeltown is in the presbytery of Kintyre and synod of Argyll. The charge is collegiate, and the two ministers officiate in both churches, at alternately the forenoon and the afternoon service, the income of the first minister being £248, of the second £253. Under the landward school-board are the four public schools of Aneehcorvie, Drumlemble, Kilmichael, and Peiniver, which, with respective accommodation for 60, 128, 72, and 52 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 49, 109, 39, and 38, and grants of £77, 2s., £106, 2s. 6d., £55, 7s., and £61, 3s. The parish has a poorhouse for itself, with accommodation for 124 inmates. Valuation £29,866, 2s. 7d. Pop. (1801) 7003, (1841) 9634, (1861) 8149, (1871) 8580, (1881) 9749, (1891) 10,260.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 12, 1872. See Stewart's *Collection of Views of Campbeltown and Neighbourhood, with Descriptive Notices and History of Campbeltown*.

Campbeltown, a village in Ardersier and Petty parishes, NE Inverness-shire, on the coast of a picturesque bay of the Moray Firth, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Fort George, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ NW of Fort George station, this being $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Inverness. A burgh of barony under the Earl of Cawdor, it takes its designation of Campbeltown from his lordship's family name. It is built without any regard to regularity; and the Petty part of it, though quite dovetailed into the other part, is sometimes called Stuarton. The entire place is partly a fishing village, partly a summer resort for sea-bathing; and it has a strong chalybeate spring, several hotels, a U.P. church, a subscription library, and a great fair on 12 Aug. It also contains the post office of Ardersier, and shares in the advantage of the parish and Free churches and the public school of ARDESIER. Pop. (1841) 716, (1861) 842, (1871) 845, (1881) 831, (1891) 748.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 84, 1876.

Camperdown, a mansion and a station in Liff and Beuvie parish, Forfarshire. The mansion, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of Lochee, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of Dundee, was named after Admiral Lord Duncan's victory over the Dutch in 1797. Built by the admiral's son, who was raised to the earldom of Camperdown in 1831, it superseded the original seat of the family, Lundie House, in the neighbouring parish of Lundie; and is an elegant edifice of white sandstone in the Grecian style, with a massive octostyle Ionic portico and finely embellished grounds. At the top of the principal staircase is a large and spirited painting of the battle of Camperdown. Rt. Adam Duncan-Haldane, present and third Earl (b. 1841; suc. 1867), holds 6770 acres in the shire, valued at £8241 per annum. The railway station is on the Dundee and Newtyle section of the Caledonian, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Lochee, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Dundee. See BLACKFORD and LOCHEE.

Campfield, a hamlet in Kincairdine O'Neil parish,

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Aberdeenshire, 6 miles NW of Banclary. It has a post office under Banclary.

Campfield, a place in Nymusk parish, Aberdeenshire, on the river Don, 16 miles WNW of Aberdeen. It is said to have got its name from the encamping at it of Robert Bruce's army on the eve of the battle of Inverurie.

Campmill, an estate, with a mansion, in Cathcart parish, Renfrewshire, on the verge of the county, a little NE of Crossmyloof. A green hill here, with vestiges of an ancient camp, commands an extensive view over the surrounding country, away to the heights of Dumbartonshire and Argyllshire.

Camphouse, a place in Greta parish, Dumfriesshire, on the line of the Roman road from England to Brunswark, and itself supposed to have been the site of a Roman fort.

Camp-Knowe. See BLANTYRE.

Cample, a rivulet of Morton and Closeburn parishes, Dumfriesshire. It rises on Wedder Law (2185 feet) at the boundary between Morton and Lanarkshire; runs 8 miles southward and west-south-westward, chiefly on the boundary between Morton and Closeburn; and falls into the Nith, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Thornhill. It is an excellent trouting stream.

Campmuir, a hamlet in Kettins parish, Forfarshire, 2 miles S of Cupar-Angus. Outlines of a Roman camp, with only one gate, towards the larger camp at Cupar, are in its vicinity; and here, according to Skene, the ninth legion was surprised in 83 A.D. by the Caledonians, who, however, were routed, Agricola falling on their rear.

Campmuir, a place on Langhope-Birks farm in Langton parish, Berwickshire. It has traces of an encampment made by a party of troops stationed at it after the rebellion of 1715 to overawe the Jacobites.

Camps, a rivulet of Crawford parish, Lanarkshire. It rises, in several head-streams, on heights contiguous to the boundary with Peeblesshire, and runs about 6 miles west-south-westward, through a moorish, mountainous tract, to the river Clyde opposite Crawford village. A Roman camp adjoins it on Whitecamp farm.

Campsail, a bay in Roseneath parish, Dumbartonshire, on the SW side of Gare Loch, opposite Row village, and immediately SE of Roseneath pier. Measuring just 1 mile across the entrance, it has a semicircular outline and very beautiful shores, and affords one of the best sheltered anchorages on the W coast of Scotland. It was often, in medieval times, a station of the royal navies of Scotland; was, for some time, during the last war with France, the station of a line-of-battle ship; was adopted, about 1830, as the retreat of the cutters of the Royal Yacht Club; and bore on its bosom, during a night of 1848, the royal yacht with the royal family on board.

Campsbank, an eminence (400 feet) in Carnock parish, SW Fife, adjacent to the Stirling and Dunfermline railway, and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Carnock village. It is supposed to have been occupied by a Roman camp, and it commands extensive views of the basin of the Forth from Stirling to Edinburgh.

Campsie, a picturesque cataract on the river Tay, near the W end of Cargill parish, and a short distance above Stanley village, in Perthshire. It is formed by a rugged basaltic dyke, which crosses the river's bed, and extends many miles both N and S; it is mentioned in the *Fair Maid of Perth*, and it affords good scope for salmon fishing.

Campsie, a hamlet and a parish of S Stirlingshire. The *clachan* or hamlet, with a post office under Glasgow, and a branch of the Royal Bank, lies in the mouth of Campsie or Kirkton Glen, 5 furlongs from Campsie Glen station; commands a strikingly picturesque view around and up the glen; consists chiefly of straggling cottages, interspersed with gardens, trees, and hedges; and contains an inn, the manse, and the belfry and burying-ground of the old parish church, with ancient font and sepulchral slab. Here lie buried the martyr William Boick, who suffered at Glasgow in 1683; the Campsie minister John Collins, murdered by the Laird of Bellglass on his way from a presbytery meeting in 1648; John Bell of ANTERMONY; that quaint original, the

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geographer James Bell (1769-1833); the Campsie post William Muir, over whose grave a handsome monument was erected in 1857; and, last but not least, Norman Macleod, D.D. (1812-72).

The ancient parish was larger than the present, being curtailed in 1649 by the annexation of one portion to Kilsyth, and of another to Baldernock. Till then it extended about 11 miles from E to W, from Garrel Glen to Craigmaddie Muir. Fringed to the S by a morass which flanked the course of the river Kelvin and was impassable in winter, it was bounded on the W by a line extending from the lofty eminence of Earls Seat to Cadder House; and it formed a very sequestered district, the eastern division of the ancient thanedom of Lennox. It escaped the turmoil and disasters from war and public commotions which afflicted most parts of the kingdom; and it retained old customs longer than most other districts, being marked not a little by its old-world manners. The powers of a feudal baron were exercised in it so late as 1639, when Lord Kilsyth hanged one of his servants on Gallow Hill in the barony of Benclouch; and down to 1744 blackmail was paid by its farmers to Macgregor of Glengyle for protection against the Highland caterans. The present parish, besides Campsie hamlet, contains the town of LENNOXTOWN, and the villages of MILTON of Campsie, BIRDSTONE, TORRANCE, and Balgrochan, the three last lying respectively $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W, and 3 miles W by N, of Kirkintilloch; and it is traversed, past Birdstone and Milton, to Lennoxton, by the Campsie branch of the North British railway, and from Lennoxton, west-north-westward, by the Blane Valley railway. The parish is bounded N by Killearn and Fintry, E by Fintry and Kilsyth, S by Kirkintilloch in Dumbartonshire and Cadder in Lanarkshire, SW by Baldernock, and W by Strathblane. Its length, from N to S, varies between $3\frac{1}{2}$ and $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth, from E to W, is $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 17,976 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 105 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The watershed of the CAMPSIE FIELDS forms almost all the northern, and the river Kelvin—here a small sluggish stream—traces most of the southern, boundary. Part of the Campsie Fells, cut into sections by deep romantic ravines and glens, constitutes the northern district, summits here from E to W being Brown Hill (1297 feet), Lairs (1652), *Holehead (1801), Inner Black Hill (1572), *Hart Hill (1697), *Earls Seat (1894), and *Dumbreck (1664), of which those marked with asterisks culminate on the northern or western border. The South Brae, an eastern prolongation of the Kilpatrick Hills, with a culminating altitude of 758 feet above sea-level, constitutes the western part of the southern district; and the Strath of Campsie, not more than $\frac{1}{2}$ mile broad in the extreme W, but gradually expanding till it becomes lost in the great strath of the Forth and Clyde Canal toward the E and the SE, constitutes all the remaining district. Three principal burns, and upwards of a dozen smaller ones, coming down from the Fells, form Glazert Water, which runs across the low country to the Kelvin, at a point nearly opposite to Kirkintilloch. The chief glens are famous for their picturesqueness, presenting at points a striking miniature resemblance to the Trossachs, their bottoms strewn with fallen blocks, their precipitous sides slaggy with wood or shelved with artificial terrace-paths. They are, too, one of the best haunts for naturalists within easy reach of Glasgow; so that, altogether, they form a powerful attraction to every class from the great metropolis of the West. Kirkton Glen, striking northward and north-eastward from Campsie hamlet, is the one most commonly frequented; but Fin Glen, north-westward from the same, is little inferior in most attractions, and for at least its length of way, its volume of water, and its cascades, is superior. The Strath of Campsie, for about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the western boundary, is a dark dingle or little else than a glen, traversed by the Pow Burn, between the Campsie Fells and the South Brae; and, along the southern border adjacent to the Kelvin, is flat alluvial ground, continuous with the Balmore Haughs; but elsewhere is so undulating that scarcely a stretch of 200 yards of level road can be found upon it.

The rocks are chiefly trap and carboniferous; and they have junctions, superpositions, and contents highly interesting to geologists. The trap rocks, in some parts, are quasi-columnar; in others, include a profusion of hornblende and felspar crystals; in others, are a soft friable greenstone, of marly appearance, with large quantity of mealy zeolite and calc-spar; in others, contain foliated zeolite, prehnite, and compact gypsum; in others, overlie the carboniferous strata or form dykes intersecting these strata, and frequently tilting them out of their original position. The carboniferous rocks comprise sandstone, limestone, coal, argillaceous ironstone, aluminous clay slate, and some other members. The nature and collocation of the rocks, together with the contour of their surface, the fall of streams, and the relative position of their territory, prepared the parish for mining and manufacturing operations. Coal and a very excellent limestone are extensively worked. Alum, copperas, Prussian blue, prussiate of potash, and some kindred substances are manufactured in large chemical works in the southern vicinity of Lennoxton. Bleach-works are at Haugh-Head and Glenmill; a bleachfield and calico-printing works are at Kincaid; a printfield, for linen and calico-printing, is at Lillyburn; an extensive printfield, for almost every description of cloth and calico-printing, is at Lennoxton; and a distillery was formerly at Milton. Soils are remarkably various in constitution and quality. A deep but arable moss forms small patches near the Kelvin, and a rich alluvium most of the low flat ground along its course; beds of gravel and sand, sometimes of great thickness, lie on the undulations and hillocks of the strath; a light gravelly loam occupies small tracts in the middle of the strath, and a larger tract in the SE; whilst the Fells are skirted by a light clay on a tilly subsoil, with many boulders in both itself and the subsoil. Nearly all the strath and most of the South Brae are under the plough; and most of the Fells are finely pastoral.

Norman Macleod was sent for a twelvemonth to the parish school, his father being minister from 1825 to 1835, and in his *Memoir* (1876) is a striking description of this 'half-agricultural, half-manufacturing Lowland district, in which the extremes of political feeling between stiffest Toryism and hottest Radicalism were running high. The parish was large and thickly peopled, and its natural features were in a manner symbolical of its social characteristics. The long line of the Fell, its green sides dotted with old thorns, rises into mountain solitude, from a valley whose wooded haughs are blurred with the smoke of manufacturing villages. The contrast is sharply presented. Sheep-walks, lonely as the Cheviots, look down on unsightly mounds of chemical refuse, and on clusters of smoking chimneys; and streams, which a mile away are clear as morning, are dyed black as ink before they have escaped from print-work and bleaching-green. The Manse was on the borderland of mountain and plain, for it was placed at the opening of Campsie Glen, famous for its picturesque series of thundering waterfalls and rocky pools. Behind the Manse lay the *clachan* and the old parish church, now in ruins. LENNOX Castle is the principal mansion, others being Antermoy, Anchinroch, Balquharrage, Carlston, Craigharnet, Glorat, Hayston, and Kincaid; and 7 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 18 of between £100 and £500, 24 of from £50 to £100, and 61 of from £20 to £50. Campsie is in the presbytery of Glasgow and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the living is worth £378. Its parish, Free, U.P., and Roman Catholic churches, are noticed under LENNOXTOWN, as likewise is one of its schools, besides which Craighhead and Torrance public schools, with respective accommodation for 197 and 160 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 122 day and 28 evening scholars and 105, and grants of £121, 9s. and £11, 16s. and £107, 19s. Valuation, £30,820, of which £2986 was for railways. Pop. (1831) 5109, (1851) 6918, (1861) 6483, (1871) 6739, (1881) 5873, (1891) 5338.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 30, 31, 1866-67.

Campsie Fells, a portion of the Lennox Hills, or a range of heights, which, extending east-north-eastward

from Dumblarton to Stirling, measure about 25 miles in extreme length, and 8 in mean breadth. They are interrupted, for a mile or more, by the valley of the Blane, whence to Dumblarton they bear the name of Kilpatrick Hills; and they are called, in their various portions east-north-eastward, the Killearn, the Campsie, the Kilsyth, the Fintry, the Dundaff, and the Gargunock Hills. The Campsie Fells are the most prominent portion of the entire range. Beginning at the upper valley of the Blane, they extend about 8 miles eastward to Bin Burn, on the boundary between Campsie and Fintry parishes, and to the eastern skirt of Brown Hill at the boundary between Campsie and Kilsyth parishes; they include a section of Strathblane parish, sometimes called the Strathblane Hills; and sometimes they are likewise regarded as including the Killearn and the Fintry portions of the Lennox Hills. Their highest summit is Earls Seat (1894 feet); they offer great attractions to at once the lovers of romantic scenery, geologists, and botanists; and they overlook most of the great strath of the Forth and Clyde Canal, and command beyond extensive and magnificent views of the Lowlands. See CAMPSIE.

Camptown, a hamlet in Jedburgh parish, Roxburghshire, 6 miles SSE of Jedburgh town. It takes its name from an ancient camp, now nearly effaced; and it has a post office under Jedburgh.

Camserney, a burn in Dull parish, Perthshire, running about 4 miles southward to the Tay, at a point 2½ miles W by S of Aberfeldy. A picturesque fall is on it, about midway between Coshieville and Weorn; makes a broken and tortuous descent; and struggles and dashes, in milky foam, over a precipitous and rugged channel.

Camster, a mansion in Latheron parish, SE Caithness, 4 miles N of Lybster. The late owner, Leonard Strong, Esq., held 4337 acres in the shire, valued at £300 per annum. Camster fairs are held on the last Tuesday of March.

Camstradden, a bay in Inss parish, Dumblartonshire, on the W side of Loch Lomond, opposite the N end of Inchaavanich, ½ mile S of Luss village. An island was formerly in it, containing the ancient residence of a branch of the Colquhoun family; but is now represented by only a heap of stones, visible only when the water of the lake is low. Camstradden House, adjacent to the bay, is the residence of Sir James Colquhoun's factor. Excellent roofing slates are quarried in the western vicinity, and are exported from a wharf on the bay.

Camusdinavaig. See CAMISTINAVAIG.

Camus Eskan, an estate, with a mansion, in Cardross parish, Dumblartonshire. The mansion stands near the Firth of Clyde, 1½ mile ESE of Helensburgh; is an old edifice, frequently enlarged, and has finely wooded grounds; its owner is W. Middleton Campbell, Esq., of Colgrain.

Camusnagaul, a bay in Kilmallie parish, Invernesshire, on Loch Eil, near the S entrance of the Caledonian Canal, opposite Fort William, under which there is a post office.

Camustane. See CAMBUSTANE.

Canaan. See BRUNTSFIELD.

Candacraig, an estate, with a mansion, in Strathdon parish, W Aberdeenshire, 9 miles SW of Rhyndie. The mansion, on the Don's right bank, was built in 1835 of granite quarried on the estate, and is in a mixed style of Tudor and Scottish Baronial.

Cander, a rivulet of Lanarkshire. It rises in Lesmahagow parish; runs about 3 miles northward to the meeting-point with Stonehouse and Dalsert parishes; and goes 2½ miles further NNW, along the boundary between these parishes, to the river Avon, at a point 9 furlongs NNE of Stonehouse village. The section of Dalsert parish adjacent to it is called Cander district; and a portion of that district, containing workable coal, bears the name of Candicks.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 23, 1865.

Candick, a headland in Walls parish, Orkney, at the SE extremity of Hay island. It projects eastward from the south-eastern part of the peninsula of Hoy; flanks the N side of the middle part of the Pentland Firth;

and terminates 3 miles S of the south-western extremity of Flota, 5 miles W by N of the S flank of Sandwick Bay in South Ronaldshay, 5 N by E of the northern extremity of Stroma, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ NW of the Pentland Skerries, and 12 NE by E of Dunnet Head. A lighthouse is on it; was built in 1858 at a cost of £5661; and shows a white light, revolving once a minute, and visible at the distance of 15 nautical miles. On Ruff Reef, off the lighthouse, a red beacon 34 feet above high water was erected in 1881.

Candida Casa. See WHITHORN.

Candlestick, a cavern on the coast of Duirinish parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. It is nearly 100 feet long and about 50 feet high, and it takes its name from being so dark as to be visible only with the aid of a candle.

Candren, a saline spring in Abbey parish, Renfrewshire, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Paisley. A pamphlet was written by the late Dr Lyall, strongly recommending its water as an aperient and corrective.

Candy or Spittal, a burn of Lanark and Peebles shires. It rises in the NE corner of Biggar parish; runs about 5 miles along the boundary between that parish and Peeblesshire; and falls into Biggar Water. A height overhangs it at Candyburn, and is crowned with an ancient oval camp, measuring 42 paces by 30 within an inner rampart, and 9 paces wide thence to an outer rampart.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 24, 1864.

Caniabay, a parish in the extreme NE of Caithness, containing the villages of Mey (with a post office under Wick) and Auehingill, and the townships of East Mey, West Mey, Huna, Duncansbay, Freswick, and Gills; which including the island of Stroma in the Pentland Firth. Its church is situated near Gills Bay, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Mey, and 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ NNW of Wick. Bounded N by the Pentland Firth, E by the German Ocean, S by Wick and Bower, and W by Dunnet, it has a varying length from E to W of 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 8 miles, an extreme breadth from N to S of 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 26,958 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 101 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water, and 603 $\frac{1}{2}$ foreshore. Duncansbay Head (210 feet) is the NE extremity; and Ness Head, Skirsa Head, and Mey Head are the only other considerable headlands. Gills Bay in the N and Freswick Bay in the E are the principal sea-inlets. The N coast is partly bold and rocky, but mainly low and level. The E coast, with slight exception, is all bold and precipitous. Two rocky stacks or islets are near Duncansbay Head; and a group of skerries, the Men of Mey, lies off Mey Head. The surface inland is singularly level, the only noticeable elevations from N to S being Mey Hill (218 feet), Hill of Rigifa (264), Craig Hill (288), Wart Hill (412), Black Hill (274), and Hill of Slickly (240). Four or five lakelets are scattered over the interior; Loch Mey ($\frac{1}{2}$ \times $\frac{1}{4}$ mile) lies on the NW border; but Loch Syster ($1\frac{1}{4}$ \times $\frac{1}{4}$ mile), falling just within Dunnet, was drained in 1866. A few burns emerging from mosses are the only streams, the chief of them, Gill Burn, running to Freswick Bay. Freshwater springs everywhere abound, and chalybeate springs are in several places. Old Red sandstone, of the kind elsewhere quarried as Caithness flag, is the principal rock; and limestone occurs at Mey and Quoys. A light black loam, with intermixture of moss or humus, is the soil of most of the arable lands, but a dark-coloured loam of argillaceous character occurs in places; and either it or deep moss prevails over by far the larger part of the area. The seaboard is mostly taken up by fishermen's small crofts, and there are only four large arable farms, on one of which, Philip's Mains, the late Earl of Caithness reclaimed 500 acres by steam-power since 1863. On the four estates generally much has been done during the last quarter of a century in the way of draining, reclaiming, fencing, and building. Barrogill Castle is separately noticed, as likewise are Bucholic Castle, Duncansbay Head, Freswick, and John o' Groat's House, at which last a good hotel was opened in 1876. Traces of an ancient watch-tower are on Duncansbay Head; and faint vestiges of ancient chapels are on Duncansbay, Brabster, Freswick, and Mey. Canisbay is in the presbytery of Caithness and synod of Sutherland and

Caithness; the living is worth £202. The parish church, an old cruciform edifice, on a green rising ground within 200 yards of the shore, contains 512 sittings, and there is a mission station at Stroma. There is also a Free church; and five public schools (Canisbay, Freswick, John o' Groat's, Mey, and Stroma), with respective accommodation for 142, 90, 74, 105, and 108 children, had an average attendance in 1891 of 79, 56, 78, 81, and 50, and grants of £82, 17s., £65, 14s., £93, 9s., £105, 6s., and £60, 12s. 6d. Valuation £5902, 7s. Pop. (1801) 1986, (1831) 2364, (1841) 2306, (1861) 2730, (1871) 2729, (1881) 2625, (1891) 2392.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 116, 1878.

Canisp. See ASSYNT.

Canna, an island in Small Isles parish, Inverness-shire, 3 miles NW of Rum, and 12 SW of the nearest point of Skye. It measures 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles in length from ENE to WSW, and about 1 mile in breadth; it is nearly joined, on the E, to SANDA; and, together with that island, it comprises about 429 acres of arable land, and 1794 acres of green pasture. Its surface is partly low and tolerably fertile, partly high and rocky, but nowhere higher than 800 feet above sea-level. Lias rocks form a small portion of its mass; but the main bulk consists of trap, variously basalt, greenstone, amygdaloid, and tufa. Basaltic columns occur on the S side, and are disposed in different ranges, rising in a succession of terraces. Zeolites of different kinds, and crystals of calcareous spar, are found in the cavities of the amygdaloid. A hill in the NW is remarkable for its strong action on the magnetic needle, and hence is called Compass Hill. The arable land is cropped chiefly with barley or here and potatoes. The pasture land, in general, has fine grass, and supports cattle of a larger and better kind than are found in the neighbouring islands. Cod and ling abound in the surrounding seas, and are extensively fished. A good harbour, between Canna and Sanda, is much frequented, for shelter or for occasional trade, by sailing vessels of every description; and was much used, in former times, by the Baltic traders. The island, in old times, shared generally the fortunes of the more exposed of the Hebrides; it had a fort, which now is almost entirely effaced; and it formed, for a long time, a portion of the extensive possessions of the ancient family of Clanranald. In one of two neighbouring burial-grounds is a mutilated cross, which, 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet high, is sculptured with braided work, the Greek fret, a Runic elephant, and other figures. Nearly all the inhabitants are Roman Catholics, who are served by a priest from Eigg. There is a post office under Greenock. Pop. (1841) 255, (1861) 53, (1871) 48, (1881) 57, (1891) 40.

Cannachy Bridge, a hamlet, with an inn, in Edzell parish, Forfarshire, on the North Esk river, at the boundary with Kincardineshire, 7 miles N of Brechin.

Cannar, a burn in the W of Lanarkshire. It rises in Lesmahagow parish, and runs north-westward to the river Avon, in Stonehouse parish.

Cannerton, a hamlet in Campsie parish, Stirlingshire, near the Campsie railway, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile N of Birdstone, and 2 miles SE of Lennoxton.

Cannich, a rivulet issuing from Loch Moyley or Mullardoch, on the mutual border of Ross and Inverness shires, and flowing thence 14 miles north-eastward and eastward, till it falls into the river Glass, near Glenaffric Hoct, at Invercannich, 20 miles SW of Beaulieu. Its basin is all a Highland glen. The upper part of the glen is traversed by a footpath, coming from the falls of Glomach and from the NE horn of Loch Alsh, and has a tame character, with sloping grassy mountain flanks; but the lower part presents rocky picturesque features, and is diversified in the bottom with lakelets and tarns. The rivulet, owned by The Chisholm, is well stocked with small trout.

Cannick Bridge. See KILMORACK.

Canniesburn, a hamlet in New Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of the line of the Glasgow and Dumbarton railway, and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ SW of Milngavie. It communicates several times a day with Glasgow, by omnibuses to Maryhill, and thence by rail to the city.

Cannor or Kinord, a sedge loch in the Tullich section of Glenmuick parish, Aberdeenshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Ballater. Lying at the foot of Culblean, not far from the Vat, it has an utmost length and breadth of 5 and 4 furlongs; is shallow toward the E end, but deepens to a depth of 3 or 4 fathoms in the middle; is beautifully skirted with birch woods, and studded with islets; and is said to have taken its name from a hunting-seat of Malcolm Ceanmor, on the largest of its islets.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 66, 1871.

Canny, a rivulet chiefly of Kincardineshire, but partly of Aberdeenshire. Rising at the western extremity of the Hill of Fare, it runs about $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles southward and eastward, through Banchory-Ternan parish, next 3 miles southward, partly within Aberdeenshire, partly within Banchory-Ternan; and falls into the Dec at Invercanny, 2 miles above Banchory village. A hamlet called Bridge of Canny is on it, and has a post office under Banchory. For new parish and county boundaries, see under BANCHORY-DEVENICK and BANCHORY-TERNAN.

Canonbie, a Border village and parish of Eskdale, SE Dumfriesshire. The village stands on the Esk's left bank, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile WSW of Canonbie station, on a branch of the North British, this being $5\frac{3}{4}$ miles SSE of Langholm, $1\frac{1}{4}$ NNW of Riddings Junction, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ N by E of Carlisle; at it are a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a hotel, a parish and a Free church, and a school.

The parish also contains the hamlets of Rowan Burn and Overtown, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE and 3 miles W of the village. It is bounded NW by Langholm and Ewes, E by Castleton in Roxburghshire, SE and S by Cumberland, and W by Half Morton; and in outline rudely resembling a triangle, with the English Border for base, it has an extreme length from NNE to SSW of $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme breadth from NW to SE of $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 24,360 acres, of which 218 are water. The Esk, followed closely by the railway, flows $5\frac{3}{4}$ miles SSE through the interior, next 5 furlongs SSW along the border; and its tributaries, Tarras Water, running south-south-westward, and Irvine Burn, east-north-eastward, trace nearly all the boundary with Langholm. LIDDEL Water, traversing a rugged channel, between picturesque and romantic flanks, and falling into the Esk, traces for $7\frac{3}{4}$ miles the south-eastern boundary; whilst Archer Beck and Rowan Burn, running to the Liddel, Byre and Glenzier Burns to the Esk, drain large portions of the interior. Most of the waters afford good sport to anglers. The surface may be described as comprising the low grounds of Eskdale, including haughs and other strips of low flat land along the banks of the principal streams; is elsewhere diversified by numerous undulations, ridges, and hilly eminences; and has a general descent southward and south-eastward from the neighbouring mountainous tracts of Liddesdale, Ewes, and Langholm. In the extreme S, where the Esk passes into Cumberland, the surface sinks to 98 feet above sea-level, thence it rises north-westward to Ounter Hill (548 feet) and Viewy Knowe (652)—north-north-eastward to Harelawpike (614), the Craigs (707), Bruntshiel Hill (820), the Hamches (1090), and Black Edge (1461). The rocks are partly eruptive, partly Silurian, and extensively carboniferous. Slate clay of a greyish black and ash-grey colour, and rich in both animal and vegetable fossils, is found. Coal, limestone, and a friable sandstone occur chiefly in hollows over the Silurian rocks, and are largely worked. Several chalybeate springs are within the parish; and near Tarras Water is a famous petrifying spring. The soil along both sides of the Esk, and on the banks of the Liddel, is a light and very fertile loam; that on the higher grounds is variously retentive clay or moist humus, naturally barren, but now greatly improved by draining. About eight-elevenths of the entire area are under the plough, and some 1500 acres under wood; the remainder is mostly hill pasture. The Duke of Buccleuch is sole proprietor, and the chief residences, held in feu from him, are Woodhouselee, Forge, Marsh House, Crookholm, and Woodslee. Remains of a

Roman station crown a rising ground near GILSOCKIE station; and ruins of famous mediæval strongholds are at HOLLOWES and HARELAW. Remains of other mediæval strengths are at Mumblyhirst, Auchenriock, Hallgreen, Woodhouselee, and Sark. Vestiges of an Austin priory, founded about 1165, and destroyed by the English after the battle of Solway Moss in 1542, are at Hallgreen. At Woodhead, in 1864, three silver mediæval brooches, now in the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum, were found along with coins of Edward I. and II., John Balliol, and Alexander III. Canonbie is in the presbytery of Langholm and synod of Dumfries; the living is worth £387. The original church, St Martin's, was often called the 'Liddel Church' from its situation on the bank of the Liddel; a subsequent one stood on the peninsula between the Liddel and the Esk, and was long subordinate to Jedburgh Abbey. The present parish church, erected in 1822 at a cost of £3000, is a good edifice, with 1400 sittings. There is also a Free church, 1 mile NNW, on the opposite side of the Esk; and 5 public schools—Canonbie, Gilnockie, Glenzier, Harelaw, and Rowanburn (infants)—with respective accommodation for 350, 91, 70, 72, and 99 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 207, 59, 49, 45, and 53, and grants of £232, 12s. 6d., £50, 4s. 6d., £46, 13s., £38, 12s., and £42, 19s. 6d. Pop. (1881) 2723, (1891) 2476.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 10, 11, 1864-65.

Canongate, a large and ancient suburb and parish of Edinburgh. The parish was so extensively rearranged by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891 as to require too much space to describe it here; but the new boundaries can be easily followed on the six-inch ordnance map. See EDINBURGH.

Canonmills. See EDINBURGH.

Canter. See CEANMOR.

Canterland, a dell or den in the SW of St Cyrus parish, Kincardineshire. It is traversed by a brook of the North Esk river; and it contains quarries of flagstones and shale.

Cantick Head. See CANDICK.

Cantray, an estate, with an elegant modern mansion, in Croy and Daleros parish, Inverness-shire, on the left bank of the Nairn, 9 miles ENE of Inverness, and $4\frac{1}{2}$ S of Fort George station. Its owner, Hugh Davidson, Esq., holds 3228 acres in the shire, valued at £1934 per annum.

Canty, a bay and a fishing hamlet in North Berwick parish, Haddingtonshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of the Bass, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ E of North Berwick town. The bay is small but picturesque, and the landlord of the inn keeps boats for conveying visitors to the Bass.

Cantyre. See KINTYRE.

Caol, a small sea-loch in Kilfinichen and Kilvicenan parish, SW of Mull, Argyllshire. It strikes westward from Loch Lahaich, and is too shallow to afford anchorage to sea vessels.

Caolas-Uist, the sound or sea-belt between the islands of Uist and Bernera in the Inverness-shire Hebrides.

Caolchurn. See KILCHURN.

Caolisport or Killisport, a seaboard district and a sea-loch in South Knapdale parish, Argyllshire. The district includes the peninsula and point of Knap, between Loch Sivin on the NW and Loch Caolisport on the SE. Loch Caolisport enters from the S end of the Sound of Jura; penetrates $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-eastward, contracting gradually from a width of 2 miles to a point; includes several beautiful small bays; and affords safe anchorage. Its SE screen rises gradually into hill; its NW shore is rocky, abrupt, and bold; and both are richly clothed with copsewood. ACHAHOISH hamlet lies at its head. 'The curious cave chapel,' says Skene, 'at Cove, on Loch Caolisport, which tradition says was Columba's first church in Scotland before he sailed to Iona, is probably connected with his residence with King Conall in 563.' It is 42 feet long, and contains an altar with a cross-calyvary and an oval piscina.

Caolvalloch, a hamlet in Weem parish, Perthshire.

Capheope, a burn in Hounan parish, Roxburghshire. It rises in three head-streams among the Cbeviot Hills, adjacent to the boundary with England, and runs about

4 miles north-north-westward to the Kale, a little above Hounam village.

Capel Fell, a mountain on the mutual border of Selkirk and Dumfries shires, at the sources of Ettrick Water, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Ettrick church. It has an altitude of 2223 feet above sea-level.

Capelhills. See NEWBILLS.

Capelrig, an estate, with a mansion, in Mearns parish, Renfrewshire. The mansion stands $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles SSW of Pollokshaws, and occupies the site of a seat of the Knights Templars.

Capenoch, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Keir parish, W Dumfriesshire, on the right bank of Shinnel Water, $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles WSW of Thornhill. From the Griersons it came by marriage to the Kirkpatrick of Closeburn in the first half of the 17th century; its present owner, Mrs. E. Field Gladstone, holds 1302 acres in the shire, valued at £1257 per annum.

Cape Wrath, a promontory in Durness parish, Sutherland, at the north-western extremity of the Scottish mainland, 13 miles WNW of Durness church. Pyramidal in form, it rises boldly from the sea to an altitude of 300 feet; it consists of granite gneiss; it is crowned with a lighthouse, built in 1828 at a cost of £13,550, showing a revolving light every minute, alternately red and white, visible at the distance of 27 nautical miles; and it commands a magnificent view of the Sutherland coast and of the seas around, away to the Butt of Lewis and the Hoy Head of Orkney. Rocky islets lie adjacent to it; a fissured and cavernous reef projects from its base; a lofty insulated rock, with outline rudely resembling that of a large ship under full sail, is in its near vicinity; and wall-like cliffs, 250 to 600 feet high, and pierced with caverns, stretch away from it eastward and southward. 'This dread cape,' wrote Sir Walter Scott (1814), 'so fatal to mariners, is a high promontory whose steep sides go sheer down to the breakers which lash its feet. There is no landing, except in a small creek about $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the eastward. There the foam of the sea plays at "long bows" with a huge collection of large stones, some of them a ton in weight, but which these fearful billows chuck up and down as a child tosses a ball.'

Cappers, a hamlet in Bathgate parish, Linlithgowshire, 1 mile N of Withburn.

Caprington, an estate, with a mansion, in Ricearton parish, Ayrshire. Caprington Castle stands near the left bank of the Irvine, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Kilmarnock, and is a massive edifice, partly ancient, partly modern, with a lofty tower over its main entrance. By marriage with a daughter of Sir Duncan Wallace of Sundrum, the estate passed, about 1400, to Adam Cuninghame, whose descendants were baronets of Nova Scotia from 1669 to 1829; its present holder, Wm. Cathcart Smith-Cuninghame, Esq., owns 4888 acres in the shire, valued at £8017 per annum, including £2918, 10s. for minerals.

Caputh, a village in Perthshire, and a parish formerly partly also in Forfarshire. The village stands $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of the left bank of the Tay, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of Murthly station, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Spittalfield, and 5 miles ESE of Dunkeld.

The parish contains also the villages of Spittalfield and Meikleur. It anciently included the parish of Dowally, and previous to 1891 it occupied a peculiar position. It had no fewer than eight detached parts. The main portion of the parish and five of the detached parts were situated in the main portion of the county of Perth. Two more of the detached parts were at the same time detached parts of the county of Perth, surrounded by the county of Forfar, and the remaining detached part formed part of the main portion of the county of Forfar. In order that the county of Perth should have no detached parts, and that the parish of Caputh should be situated wholly in one county (Perth), these several detached parts were transferred to neighbouring parishes within and without the county. In the case of only one transfer was there any return—that of Clunie, which gave back to Caputh 649 acres. It now comprehends the greater part of the plain of Stormont, together with picturesque tracts of upland on that plain's

northern and western skirts. Very irregular in outline, it is bounded NW by Dunkeld and Dowally, NE by Clunie, E by Lethendy and Blairgowrie, SE by Cargill, S by Kinelaven and Little Dunkeld, SW and W by Little Dunkeld. Its length from E to W varies between $6\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs and $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and its width from N to S between $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile and $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles. It is separated from Little Dunkeld and Kinelaven for $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles, from the neighbourhood of Dunkeld to the mouth of the Isla, by the Tay; is drained and beautified, along much of the N, by the Lunan Burn and a chain of lakes; and is bounded on the SE for $2\frac{3}{4}$ miles, from the mouth of the Lunan to the Tay, by the ISLA. The landscape abounds in beauties of contour, wood, and water. The surface throughout the Stormont plain is almost all level, a rich and cultivated champaign, which sinks to less than 100 feet above sea-level; northward and westward it is diversified with hill and dale, and charming little valleys, flanked or overhung by heights which exhibit much of the grandeur of Highland scenery, but little of its wildness. From the village north-westward it attains 574 feet near Thornton, 669 near East Cult, 996 in Newtyle Hill, 1250 in Conlan Hill, and 1594 in BENACHALLY on the Clunie border. Clay slate and limestone form a large portion of the rocks, and are extensively quarried. The soil, in much of the low ground, is alluvial; in many other parts along the Tay and the Isla, is a rich loam; in others of the lower grounds, is light and dry; and in the higher lands, is cold and wet, yet of considerable fertility. The principal residences are Delvine House, Meikleour House, Snaigow House, Kincairn House, Glendelvine House, Stenton House, and Hillhead. Chief antiquities are cairns, standing stones, Roman camps, and Pictish forts. The largest of the cairns, no less than 456 feet in circumference and 14 feet in height, bore the name of Cairnmore, and has been removed; and the most notable of the Roman camps are at INCHTUTRIL and on the peninsula formed by the junction of the Isla with the Tay, where are the remains of a strong and massive vallum, called Cleaven Dyke, extending from the one river to the other, with a small Roman fort at one end, and where Skene places Agricola's victory of the GRAMPAINS (86 A.D.) Caputh is in the presbytery of Dunkeld and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £312. The church was built in 1798, and repaired in 1839, and contains 800 sittings. Spittalfield public school, Meikleour and Wester Caputh (girls') sessional schools, with respective accommodation for 151, 105, and 57 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 87, 58, and 44, and grants of £103, 17s., £61, 17s., and £54, 19s. Valuation (1891) £12,810, 12s. Pop. of civil parish (1891) 1856; of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 1775; of registration district (1891) 1301.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 48, 56, 1868-70.

Cara, an island in Gigha and Cara parish, Argyllshire. It lies 1 mile S of the southern extremity of Gigha island, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of the nearest part of Kintyre; measures 1 mile in length and 3 miles in circuit; has a landing-place on the NE, and a rocky shore in all the rest of its coast; is mostly low and level, but rises at the S end into a mural rock called the Mull of Cara, 185 feet high; and is there pierced with two caverns, the one 40 feet long, 5 high, and 5 wide, the other 37 feet long, 9 high, and 9 wide. An ancient monastery is supposed to have been on the island, or to have given name to it; and remains of an old chapel, with a pointed-arched door, are still on it.

Caradale. See CARADALE.

Caraldston or Careston, a parish of Forfarshire, whose hamlet, with church and post office, lies 4 miles W of Brechin, its station and post-town. Till 1636, the parish formed part of Brechin parish, and it took its name from lands which had an obelisk said to commemorate a Danish chieftain, Carald, and thence called Carald's Stone. Bounded N by Menmuir, E by Brechin, S by Aberlemno, and W by Tannadice and Fearn, it has an extreme length, from N to S, of $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an extreme breadth of 2 miles, and a land area of 2085 acres.

The South Esk river roughly traces the southern boundary, and to it Noran Water runs through the south-western interior. The surface rises with gentle undulation from these rivers northward to 329 feet above sea-level at Peathill, and thence declines towards the northern boundary. Old Red sandstone is the predominant and almost the only rock. The soil, in some parts, is moorish, but, in most parts, is a black loam. Upwards of 280 acres are under wood, and only about 270 are pastoral or waste. Caraldston Castle (Jn. Adamson, Esq.) is a plain but stately edifice of various dates, but chiefly of the 15th century. The Roman *castra stativa* *Æsica* is supposed, by some antiquaries, to have stood on the peninsula between Noran Water and the South Esk. Caraldston is in the presbytery of Brechin and synod of Angus and Mearns; the living is worth £178. The church was built in 1636, and contains 200 sittings; a public school, with accommodation for 65 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 64, and a grant of £79, 9s. Valuation (1891) £2059, 9s. Pop. (1801) 229, (1871) 209, (1881) 194, (1891) 198. —*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 57, 1868.

Carberry, a hill and a mansion in Inveresk parish, Edinburghshire. The hill (400 feet) culminates 2½ miles SE of Musselburgh, close to the Haddingtonshire boundary, and forming part of the right flank of the vale of the Esk, presents to the NW an ornate and picturesque surface. Here, on ground held by the English at Pinkie, and known now as Queen Mary's Mount, that unfortunate princess surrendered to the Confederates, and took her last farewell of Bothwell, 15 June 1567. Carberry Tower, on the western slope of the hill, was built about 1579, more as a fortalice than as a mansion; but about 1819 underwent changes and improvements, adapting it to the comforts of modern times, and is embosomed by orchards and fine old groves. It is the seat of Wm. Buller Fullerton Elphinstone, fifteenth Baron ELPHINSTONE in the peerage of Scotland since 1509 (b. 1828; suc. 1861), who owns in the shire 769 acres, valued at £3790 per annum, including £1210 for minerals.

Carbeth, an estate, with a mansion, in Killearn parish, Stirlingshire. The mansion stands near the left bank of Endrick Water, 2 miles WSW of Balfron, and is a castellated structure of 1840.

Carbeth-Guthrie, an estate, with a mansion, in the W of Strathblane parish, Stirlingshire, 2½ miles W of Strathblane village.

Carbst, a village in Bracadale parish, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, at the head of Loch Harport, 23 miles WNW of Broadford. It has a post office, with money order and savings' bank departments, a distillery, and a public school.

Carbrook, an estate, with a mansion, in Dumipace parish, Stirlingshire. The mansion stands in a romantic situation, amid picturesquely-wooded grounds, within ½ mile of Torwood Castle, and 3 miles NNW of Larbert.

Carbuddo. See KIRKBUDDO.

Carcart. See CATHCART.

Cardan's Well, a copious spring of pure water in Monimail parish, Fife, about 1 mile from the site of the old parish church. It long had a fictitious medicinal repute, and was frequented from early times till about the beginning of the present century by many invalids, but has passed into utter disrepute and neglect.

Cardenden, a glen and a village, with a station, in Auchterderran parish, SW Fife. The glen extends N and S; is about 1 mile long, wide, unwooded, and fertile; has rich substrata of coal; and is crossed, at the N end, by the Thornton and Dunfermline branch of the North British railway. The village with the station is there, 5½ miles WSW of Thornton Junction. It has a post office. Pop. (1891) 448.

Cardon. See BROUGHTON.

Cardonald, an estate in Abbey parish, Renfrewshire, on the White Cart, 3 miles E of Paisley. It belonged anciently to the Stewart family, and passed to the Lords Blantyre. The mansion on it was large, castellated, and picturesque; underwent transmutation for the occupancy of various tenants; and, about 1855, gave place to a neat

new farmstead. A village, called Cardonald Mills, stands a little to the N; comprises a group of cottages and several grain mills; and has a *quoad sacra* church, a public school, which, with accommodation for 144 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 80, and a grant of £165, 9s.

Cardoneas, an estate, with a mansion, in Anwoth parish, SW Kirkcudbrightshire. The mansion stands amid fine grounds on the right side of Fleet Bay, 3½ miles SW of Gatehouse, and is the seat of Sir William F. Maxwell, fourth Bart. since 1804 (b. 1844; suc. 1880), who owns 6381 acres in the shire, valued at £2136 per annum. See ANWOOTH.

Cardowan, a Lanarkshire hamlet, with Wishaw for its post-town. St Joseph's Roman Catholic church at it was built in 1875, and contains 550 sittings.

Cardrona (Gael. *caerdronnach*, 'castle on the ridge'), an estate, with a station and a mansion, in Traquair parish, E Peeblesshire. The station is on the Peebles and Galashiels section of the North British railway, 3½ miles ESE of Peebles. The mansion, near the station and the right bank of the Tweed, was built in 1840, and has pleasant grounds. Its owner, Miss Williamson (suc. 1875), holds 1681 acres in the shire, valued at £1464, 9s. The ruined peel tower of the Govans (1358-1685) is on a hill above it. The grounds of Glenormiston, with wooded braes and a fine mansion, are on the opposite side of the Tweed.

Cardross (Gael. *car-rois*, 'curved point'), a village and a parish of S Dumbartonshire. The village stands on the shore of the Firth of Clyde, adjacent to the Glasgow and Helensburgh railway, 3½ miles WNW of Dumbarton; is a well-built, pleasant place; and has a station on the railway and a railway post-office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments. Pop. (1871) 301, (1881) 521, (1891) 451.

The parish contains also a suburb of Dumbarton, and the town of RENTON. Bounded N by Luss and Bonhill, E by Dumbarton, SW by the Firth of Clyde, and W by Row, it has an extreme length from NW to SE of 7½ miles, a varying breadth of 1½ and 2½ miles, and an area of 11,536½ acres, of which 2656½ are foreshore, and 615½ water. The LEVEN winds 4½ miles along all the eastern boundary; and four or five burns flow through the interior to the Firth of Clyde, which, with a shoreline in Cardross of 9½ miles, here widens from 1 mile to 3½, and almost insulates the wooded promontory of ARMORE (103 feet). From a belt of low flat ground along the Firth the surface rises northward and north-westward, to 526 feet near Carman, 978 on Killeter, and 1028 on Benuchara Muir, just within Luss—heights that command a wide and brilliant prospect. Nearly the entire surface is in full view to passengers of the Clyde steamers, and all of it forms a picturesque portion of the northern screen of the Clyde. The rocks are Silurian and Devonian, and they include a considerable dyke of jasper. Sandstone, both of reddish friable character and of bluish grey colour and durable compactness, is plentiful, and has been quarried. Limestone occurs in veins on Camus Eskan estate, and has been occasionally worked. The soil, near the Leven, is alluvial; adjacent to the Clyde is diluvial; on the grounds further inland is a mixture of sand, gravel, and humus; and on the acclivities and tops of the hill-ridge is moorish. Considerably more than one-half of the entire land area is regularly or occasionally in tillage, and about 300 acres are under wood. Much of the foreshore is capable of reclamation by embankments. Cardross Castle stood on Castle Hill, a spur of the eastern end of the hill-ridge, on the NW outskirts of Dumbarton. Here good King Robert Bruce (1274-1329) spent the two last years of his life, fishing, hawking, and building ships; and here on June 7 he died. Near Renton, in the old mansion-house of Dalquhurn, was born the novelist, Tobias Smollett (1721-71); a Tuscan column, 60 feet high, reared by his cousin to his memory, bears a Latin inscription by Dr Samuel Johnson and others. 'The Latin is miserably bad,' according to Coleridge, who passed this way with Wordsworth and his sister Dorothy, 24 Aug. 1803. Mansions are Cardross Park, Bloomhill,

Feppoch, Ardmore, Camus Eskan, Kilmaheew, and Ardloch; and 8 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 22 of between £100 and £500, 27 of from £50 to £100, and 77 of from £20 to £50. In the presbytery of Dumbarton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, Cardross is divided among the *quoad sacra* parishes of Cardross, Renton, and Dalreech, the first being a living of £345 value. The original church stood on the point of the peninsula between the Leven and the Clyde; the present one, a neat edifice with a square tower and 800 sittings, was built in 1826 at the village, where is also a Free church, other places of worship being at Renton and in the Dumbarton suburb. Two public schools, Cardross and Renton, with respective accommodation for 210 and 847 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 132 and 618, and grants of £140, 3s. and £611, 8s. 4d. Valuation (1859) £27,587. Pop. of civil parish (1801) 2549, (1831) 3596, (1861) 6325, (1891) 10,550; of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 1278; of registration district (1891) 1301.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Cardross, an estate, with a fine old mansion, in Port of Monteith parish, Perthshire. The mansion stands near the left bank of the river Forth, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of the Lake of Monteith, and 2 miles N by E of Port of Monteith station, this being 13 W by N of Stirling; its owner, Hy. David Erskine, Esq. (b. 1838; suc. 1844), holds 6245 acres in the shire, valued at £4021 per annum.

Carston. See CARALDSTON.

Carfin, a collier village in Bothwell parish NE Lanarkshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Motherwell, under which it has a post office. At it are a reading-room, St Francis Xavier's Roman Catholic church (1881), and three schools—boys', girls', and Roman Catholic. With respective accommodation for 150, 148, and 211 children, these had (1891) an average attendance of 92, 73, and 169 day and 204 evening scholars, and grants of £86, 4s., £68, 9s., and £165, 13s. 6d. and £128, 2s. Carfin House stands $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to the S, on the right bank of South Calder Water. Pop. (1861) 1342, (1871) 1111, (1881) 1428, (1891) 1567.

Carfrae-Mill, a hamlet, with an inn, in Channelkirk parish, Berwickshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Lauder. The fishings of the head-streams of the Leader lie around it; and numerous Caledonian camps and other antiquities are in its neighbourhood.

Cargen, a rivulet of E Kirkcubrightshire. It issues from Lochrutton Lake in Lochrutton parish; runs about a mile north-north-eastward to the southern boundary with Terregles; traces that boundary $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles east-north-eastward, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile south-eastward; and proceeds, within Troqueer parish, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-south-eastward, to the Nith at a point $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Dumfries. Its course, till it leaves Terregles, is brisk and picturesque; but, through Troqueer, is sluggish and naturally tame. Cargen House, Troqueer, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Dumfries, is a large edifice, with tasteful grounds and a fine mineralogical museum; its owner, Patrick Dudgeon, Esq. (b. 1817), holds 871 acres in the shire, valued at £1631 per annum. On the left or opposite bank, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile higher up, stands Cargenholm.

Cargen-Bridge, a hamlet in Troqueer, Kirkcubrightshire, on Cargen Pow, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Dumfries.

Carghadoun, an ancient fortification on the coast of Whithorn parish, Wigtownshire. It crowns a precipice on the Tonderghie estate, and covers about half an acre.

Cargill, a village and a parish of Strathmore, E Perthshire. The village stands on the left bank of the Tay, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile WSW of Cargill station on the Caledonian.

The parish, containing also the villages of BURRELTON, Woodside, and Wolfhill, is bounded NE by Cupar-Angus, E by Kettins in Forfarshire, SE by Abernethy and Collace, S by St Martin's, W by Auchtergaven and NW by Caputh. In 1891 the district at West Kinlochtry (717 acres), shown on the Ordnance Survey maps as a detached portion of the parish of Scone, but alleged to be a part of the Forfarshire parish of Kettins, was by the Boundary Commissioners transferred to the parish of Cargill. Its area is now 10,343 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres. The TAY winds $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles along all the western boundary; and the ISLA, for $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles, down to the Tay, traces the

north-western. The land surface is finely diversified with ascents and declivities, and with wood and water. The western border, to the mean breadth of about a mile, rises gradually from the Tay; the central tracts are a low plateau, with some unevenness of contour; and the eastern border includes a strip of the Sidlaw Hills. In the extreme SW the surface sinks to 100 feet above sea-level, thence rising to 409 feet near Wolfhill, 414 in Gallowhill, 390 at Redstone, 598 near Legertlaw, and 1235 in Kings Seat on the Abernethy border. Sandstone, of excellent building quality, has been extensively quarried, and limestone might be profitably worked; whilst a reddish rock marl is plentiful. The soil, near the Tay, is strongly argillaceous; on the central plateau is partly loamy, partly moorish; and towards the foot of the Sidlaws is a light dry gravel. An extensive acreage is under wood, and very little is waste or pastoral. The scenery along the Tay includes the picturesque Linn of CAMPSIE, and ranges from the softly romantic to the magnificent. Tumuli and remains of Caledonian megalithic structures occur in various places; and vestiges of a Roman camp, with *fossae* perfectly discernible, and with fragments of an aqueduct leading from it to a neighbouring rivulet, are near the confluence of the Tay and Isla. A Roman road, too, 20 feet broad, and formed of rough round stones, passes north-eastward by Burrelton; and a high rock overlooking the Linn of Campsie is crowned by traces of an ancient monastery, said to have been subordinate to Cupar, whose abbey, being supplied with fuel from Campsie Wood, gave the name of Abbey Road to the track by which it was conveyed. STOBHALL House belongs to Lord Willoughby de Eresby (Earl of Ancaster), who is much the largest proprietor, 2 other landowners holding each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, and 1 of from £50 to £100. Believed to have originally formed part of Cupar-Angus parish, but figuring on record as a separate parish so early as 1514, Cargill bore for a time the name of West Parish; it is in the presbytery of Dunkeld and synod of Perth and Stirling, the living being worth £261. The church, at the village, is a plain neat edifice, built in 1831. There is one Free church of Cargill, another of Burrelton; and two public schools, Burrelton and Newbigging, with respective accommodation for 150 and 125 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 87 and 68, and grants of £81, 10s. and £79, 7s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £11,400, 17s. 2d. Pop. (1801) 1585, (1831) 1628, (1861) 1647, (1871) 1411, (1881) 1348, (1891) 1238.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Carhurle, a hamlet on the seaboard of the E of Fife, 2 miles from its post-town Largo.

Carie, a hamlet in Kenmore parish, Perthshire, on the N side of Loch Tay, near Ardeonaig Ferry, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Killin.

Carington. See CARRINGTON.

Carinish, a village in North Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire, on the S coast of North Uist island, 13 miles SW of Lochmaddy. It has a post office under Lochmaddy, a Church of Scotland mission chapel, a Free church, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 80 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 76, and a grant of £77, 12s.

Carity, a rivulet of Forfarshire. It rises in Lintrathen parish, and runs about 9 miles eastward, through Kingoldrum and Kirriemuir parishes, to the South Esk in the vicinity of Inverquharly. It is a good trouting stream, much frequented by anglers.

Carlanerig. See CAERLANERIG.

Carlaverock. See CAERLAVEROCK.

Carleith, a farm in the parish of Old Kilpatrick, Dumbartonshire. It retains traces of part of the fosse of Antoninus' Wall.

Carleton, a small bay and a hill in Colmonell parish, Ayrshire. The bay lies $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Girvan, and has a small boat harbour. The hill rises steeply from such near neighbourhood to the bay as, at full tide, to permit barely footway between its base and the sea; attains an elevation of 520 feet above sea-level; and is crowned by a ruined fortalice.

Carlins Cairn, a mountain on the SW border of Carsphairn parish, NW Kirkcudbrightshire. It culminates 2 miles E of the Ayrshire boundary, and 3½ SSE of the head of Loch Doon, and has an altitude of 2650 feet above sea-level.

Carlin Skerry, a rocky islet, by seamen called the Barrel of Butter, in the S of Orkney, 1¼ mile SSE of the shore of Pomona, in the vicinity of Orphir church, and 9½ miles ESE of the W entrance of Hoy Mouth.

Carlin Tooth, a summit of the Cheviots (1801 feet) in the S of Southdean parish, Roxburghshire, at the watershed between the sources of the Jed and the Liddel, 11½ miles S by W of Jedburgh, and 7 furlongs from the English border.

Carlinwark, a loch in the N of Kelton parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, in the southern vicinity of Castle-Douglas. It gave its name to Castle-Douglas, from the founding of that town till 1792; it originally covered an area of about 180 acres, but was partially drained in 1765 for the purpose of procuring marl, so as to be reduced to an area of about 100 acres. It now measures ½ mile from NNE to SSW, its width varying between 1¼ and 3 furlongs. It is studded with six islets (one of them, Ash Island, evidently a crannoge or lake-dwelling), and has picturesque shores; and it sends off its superfluency by an artificial straight cut, called Carlinwark Lane, 1¼ mile north-westward to the river Dee. Bronze utensils, canoes, etc., have been discovered in the loch, on whose W side are Carlinwark House, a modern mansion, and the site of the ancient 'Three Thorns of Carlinwark,' a famous trysting-place in bygone days. See pp. 11-20 of Harper's *Isles in Galloway* (1876).

Carlonan. See **ALAY**.

Carlops, a village in Linton parish, NW Peeblesshire, on the North Esk river, at the boundary with Elinburghshire, 14 miles SSW of Edinburgh, and 2½ NNE of West Linton. Founded in 1784, it came to be inhabited chiefly by cotton weavers, and now is a centre of traffic for the working of coal and limestone in its neighbourhood, and has a Free church, a post office under Penicuik, and two inns. Carlops Hill, ¾ mile W by N, rises 1490 feet above sea-level. See **HABIE'S HOWE** and **NEWHALL**.

Carloway, a district in the N of Lewis, Outer Hebrides. It was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners, in 1891, from the parish of Lochs to that of Uig. Its coast is penetrated, 3 miles ENE from the mouth of Loch Roag, by a sea-inlet called Loch Carloway; and its interior is more mountainous than almost any other part of Lewis, and has numerous intersections of soft and moorish tracts and fresh-water lakes. The arable lands form a small proportion of the entire area, lie chiefly along the shore, and are low and sandy. A circular Scandinavian fort here is larger and more entire than almost any other antiquity of its class in Scotland, and has a strong stone turf-covered rampart 30 feet high. A village called Carloway stands at the head of Loch Carloway, and has a Free church, and a post office under Stornoway. A new road is in course of construction between Carloway and Stornoway. The father of blind Rory, the harper, mentioned in one of Sir Walter Scott's novels, resided in the district, and was the original translator of the Psalms into Gaelic. Pop. of village (1891) 321; of registration district (1891) 2959.

Carlowrie Castle, a mansion in the parish and 1½ mile E by N of the village of Kirkliston, NE Linlithgowshire. Its owner, Thomas Hutchison, Esq., holds 314 acres in the shire, valued at £1130 per annum.

Carlow's Linn, a small but interesting waterfall on the river Tweed, in Tweedsmuir parish, SW Peeblesshire, at the bridge in the southern vicinity of Tweedsmuir church.

Carlton Fell, a broad-based hill on the coast of Glaserton parish, SE Wigtonshire, 3½ miles SW of Whithorn. It is covered with verdure, and has an altitude of 475 feet above sea-level. Laggan Camp, a large elliptical mound, is on its south-western skirt overhanging the shore.

Carluke, a town and a parish of central Lanarkshire. The town stands on the right bank of Jock's Burn, ½

mile E of the Caledonian railway, 2¼ miles E of the Clyde, 5½ NNW of Lanark, and 19½ SE of Glasgow. Its site is a swell of tabular land, rising somewhat steeply from the picturesque ravine of Jock's Burn; has an elevation of between 600 and 700 feet above sea-level; and commands an extensive and brilliant view over nearly all the central portions of the basin of the Clyde. Dating from early times, the town was constituted a burgh of barony, under the name of Kirkstyle, in 1662, but declined so greatly that about the middle of last century it comprised only the parish church, the manse, and four cottages. It afterwards rose to a considerable village, inhabited chiefly by cotton-weavers; and, making a strong start in prosperity about the beginning of the present century, it rapidly assumed the appearance of a thriving town, acquired a new character and much importance from the commencement and progress of extensive mining operations in its neighbourhood, and is now a neat, well-built place, with numerous streets of substantial and comfortable houses. It is a centre of traffic for a considerable extent of surrounding country, and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, a railway station, branches of the National and British Linen Company's banks, a savings bank, hotels and inns, a gas-light company, agricultural and horticultural societies, a useful knowledge society, with library and museum, several religious and charitable institutions, corn-mills, brickworks, foundries, engineering works, timber yards, and a preserve manufactory. Cattle markets fall on the second Thursday of March, 21 May, and 31 Oct.; and a cattle show is held on the second Wednesday of June. Places of worship are the parish church (1799; 1000 sittings), a neat edifice with a square tower; a Free Church; a U.P. church (1833; 770 sittings); a handsome new United Original Secession church (1880); a new Evangelical Union church (1881); and St Athanasius' Roman Catholic church (1867; 600 sittings). Three schools—Market Place, Girls', and Roman Catholic—with respective accommodation for 612, 148, and 113 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 620, 159, and 89, and grants of £648, 18s. 6d., £186, 11s. 6d., and £90, 1s. Pop. (1841) 2090, (1861) 3111, (1871) 3423, (1881) 3867, (1891) 4116.

The parish contains also the villages of Braidwood, Harestanes with Thornice, Law, Kilncadzow, and Road-meetings with Yieldshields. Anciently called Kirk-Forest, probably from its situation in Maudslie Forest, it took the name of Carluke, seemingly about the beginning of the 14th century, from the dedication of its church to St Luke. It is bounded NW and N by Cambusnethan, E by Carstairs, S by Lanark, and SW by Lesmahagow and Dalserf. Its greatest length, from E to W, is 6½ miles; its greatest breadth, from N to S, is 4½ miles; and its area is 15,410 acres, of which 65 are water. The CLYDE flows 4½ miles along all the Lesmahagow and Dalserf boundary, and four or five burns run west-south-westward through deep romantic ravines, locally called 'Gills.' The western tract along the Clyde is luxuriant haugh, sinking to less than 200 feet above sea-level; but thence the surface rises rapidly, in banks or acclivities, to 696 feet near Braidwood, 589 near Wellrings, 675 near Strathaven, 549 near Greenknowe, 1049 near Kilncadzow, 847 near Bogside, and 1025 on King's Law, this being a summit-point of the wild bleak moor, which, ascending gradually from the central plateau, extends to the eastern border. The rocks, over great part of the area, belong to the Carboniferous formation, and are rich in coal, limestone, and ironstone. Alluvial deposits and Devonian rocks are in the W; mosses, 12 feet deep, are in the NE; and trap rock forms a ridge, about 1 mile long, from Hillhead eastward to Bashaw. Clay, suitable for bricks and pottery, abounds; coal, limestone, ironstone, and sandstone are extensively worked; and agate, calcareous spar, heavy spar, iron pyrites, galena, and bitumen are found. Mineral springs, both ferruginous and sulphurous, occur in various places; petrifying springs are numerous; and ordinary springs are so

general and copious as, in some parts, to be almost a nuisance. The soils are exceedingly diversified, according to position, to the substrata, and to both the natural and the artificial processes which have affected them; and those of prime or good loamy quality occur chiefly on the low grounds in the W. About 600 acres are under wood, about 110 are disposed in orchards, and about 400 are entirely waste. Chief antiquities are Hallbar or Braidwood Tower, Haugh Hill Mound, and traces of a Roman road, leading north-westward from Kilneadzw to Waterloo. The eminent engineer and antiquary, Major-Gen. Wm. Roy (1726-90), author of *Military Antiquities of the Romans in Britain*, was born at Miltonhead, his father being factor and gardener to the Hamiltons of Halleraig; another native was the self-taught sculptor, Rt. Forrest (1790-1852). The principal mansions are Mauldsle Castle, Milton Lockhart, Halleraig, Kirkton, Waygateshaw, Sandilandgate, Braidwood, and Orchard House; and 14 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 20 of between £100 and £500, 38 of from £50 to £100, and £62 of from £20 to £50. Carluke is in the presbytery of Lanark and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the living is worth £380. Established mission stations are at Castlehill and Halleraig; and, besides those in the town, there are public schools at Braidwood, Kilneadzw, Law, and Yieldsields, which, with respective accommodation for 168, 70, 295, and 100 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 90, 31, 237 day and 35 evening scholars, and 53, and grants of £92, 4s. 6d., £28, 14s., £234, 7s. and £13, 16s., and £50, 7s. 6d. Valuation, £48,910, 19s. Pop. (1871) 7066, (1881) 8552, (1891) 8058.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 23, 1865.

Carmacouf, an estate, with a mansion, in the parish and 3½ miles SW of the town of Douglas, S Lanarkshire.

Carmel, a rivulet of Cunningham district, Ayrshire. It rises on the eastern border of the district, a little W of Kingswell Inn; and runs about 11 miles south-westward, through Fenwick and Kilmaurs parishes, to the river Irvine, 1 mile ESE of Dreghorn.

Carmichael, a hamlet and a parish of S central Lanarkshire. The hamlet lies near the northern base of Tinto, 2½ miles E of Sandilands station, 3½ W by N of its post-village Thankerton, and 5½ SE of Lanark.

The parish is bounded NE by Pettinain, E by Covington, S by Wiston, SW by Douglas, and NW by Lesmahagow and Lanark. Its greatest length, from E by N to W by S, is 5½ miles; its greatest breadth, from N to S, is 4½ miles; and its area is 11,373½ acres, of which 59½ are water. The CLYDE flows 2½ miles along all the Lanark border down to a sharp bend a little above Bonnington Linn; and Douglas Water, down to its confluence with the Clyde at that point, follows for 3½ miles all the boundary with Lesmahagow. Millhill Burn, running to the Clyde, and Ponfeigh Water, to the Douglas, trace the north-eastern and south-western boundaries; and Shields, Drumalbin, and Carmichael Burns take a northerly course through the interior. The surface, sinking to less than 600 feet above sea-level along the Clyde and the Douglas, thence rises south-eastward to the Tinto Hills, attaining 1156 feet in Carmichael Hill, 884 in Whitecastle Hill, 1030 in Stone Hill, 1220 in Black Hill, 1205 in Level Hill, and, on the southern border, 1452 in Howgate Hill, 1734 in Lochyock Hill, and 2335 in TINTO itself, at the meeting-point of Carmichael, Covington, Symington, and Wiston parishes. The rocks are mainly eruptive, largely Devonian, and partly carboniferous. Sandstone and limestone are quarried; coal is worked; and ironstone and bituminous shale are found. The soil of the arable land is variously argillaceous, loamy, and sandy. About 4700 acres are either in tillage or in irrigated meadow, 3810 in pasture, and 735 under wood. A curious amulet, consisting of a nodule of clay ironstone, with copper handle, and with a small copper-plated casket of stained wood, bearing date 1588, but not of that period, was found at Crockbet in 1865, and is now in the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum. Carmichael House, 1 mile ENE of the church, is the seat of Sir Windham Chs. Jas. Carmichael Anstruther, ninth and fifth Bart. since 1694 and 1798,

and twentieth in descent from the first Sir William Carmichael of that ilk (fl. 1350), whose lineal descendants held the earldom of Hyndford from 1701 to 1817. Designed on a princely plan, it was never completed beyond the two wings, with a long connecting corridor; the fine plantations around it were mostly reared from seeds selected on the Continent by the eminent diplomatist, John, third Earl of Hyndford (1701-67), a native and great benefactor of this parish. Sir Windham Anstruther (b. 1824; suc. 1869) was M.P. for S Lanarkshire from 1874 to 1880, and holds 13,624 acres in the county, valued at £9950 per annum, including £722 for minerals. The other chief proprietor is Maurice Thomson-Carmichael, Esq., of Eastend House, 2 miles WSW of Thankerton. Carmichael is in the presbytery of Lanark and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the living is worth £262. The church, built in 1740, contains 450 sittings; and there is a public school, with accommodation for 91 children. Valuation, £9091, 7s. Pop. (1891) 593.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 23, 1865.

Carmunnock, a village and a parish on the Renfrewshire border of Lanarkshire. The village, 1½ mile NE of Busby station and 5 miles S by E of Glasgow, is a pleasant little place, with several shops, and a post office under Glasgow. Washing and dressing white goods for the hotels and warehouses of the city is the principal occupation of the place. Pop. (1891) 302.

The parish is bounded N by Cathcart and Rutherglen, NE and E by Cambuslang, S by East Kilbride, and W by Renfrewshire. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred from this parish to that of Cathcart so much of the road from Symshill to Croftfoot as lies between Symshill on the west, and the point at which the said road leaves the parish of Cathcart on the east. (See CATHCART.) White CART Water traces the W boundary; and the Kitoch rivulet runs in the interior. The surface is charmingly diversified with hill and dale, sinking in the W to 100 feet above sea-level, and rising E and SE to 462 feet near Windlaw, 413 near Millfarm, 671 on Cathkin Braes, 552 near Parklee, and 691 in the SE corner of the parish—heights that command one of the widest and richest prospects in the W of Scotland. Trap is the prevailing rock; but limestone and ironstone, both of prime quality, are found. The soil, for the most part, is either a free earthy mould, incumbent on trap, or a stiff clay or argillaceous earth on a retentive bottom. About 3000 acres are arable, and some 350 are under wood, 86 acres of mixed plantations having been formed on the Castlemilk estate during 1860-82, as described in *Trans. Highland and Agricultural Society* (1871). Castlemilk House, 1½ mile S of Rutherglen, is a stately old mansion, with massive battlemented walls; its owner, J. S. S. Stuart, Esq., a lineal descendant of the royal house, holds 2137 acres in the shire, valued at £3260 per annum. Queen Mary is said to have lodged at Castlemilk the night before the battle of Langside (13 May, 1568). Carmunnock is in the presbytery of Glasgow and synod of Glasgow and Ayr, and includes, *quoad sacra*, a small portion of Cathcart; the living is worth £180. The parish church, standing in the middle of the village, was built in 1767, and contains 470 sittings; and a public school, with accommodation for 164 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 87, and a grant of £96, 11s. 6d. Valuation, £7599, 9s. 8d. Pop. (1801) 700, (1831) 692, (1861) 734, (1871) 702, (1881) 721, (1891) 703.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 22, 23, 30, 31, 1865-67.

Carmyle (Gael. *cathair-maol*, 'bare town'), a village on the SW border of Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, on the right bank of the Clyde, adjacent to the Rutherglen, Baillieston, and Coatbridge branch of the Caledonian railway, 1½ mile NNE of Cambuslang, and 4½ miles SSE of Glasgow. Occupying a beautiful site, amid charming environs, it originated in a muslin manufactory, erected about 1741; it presents a straggling rural appearance, with intermixture of garden-plots and trees; and it has a station on the railway, and meal-mills, with foaming dams. Pop. (1841) 238, (1861) 506, (1871) 462, (1881) 484, (1891) 540.

Carmyllie, a village, a railway, quarries, and a parish of SE Forfarshire. The village stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of the terminus of the railway, and $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Arbroath; is the centre of business for the quarries; and has a post office under Arbroath, and a fair on the Tuesday before last Wednesday of April. The railway, constructed as private property by the Earl of Dalhousie, was sold in 1865 to the Scottish North-Eastern, and passed, with that railway, to the Caledonian; joins the Arbroath and Dundee line at Elliot Junction, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SW of Arbroath; skirts the beautiful Kelly Den, so interesting to geologists; goes thence, up Elliot Water, to Carmyllie quarries; was formed, and long used, exclusively for conveying paving and other stones from these quarries; and, in 1871, was improved and opened for the transit also of passenger trains. The quarries supply sandstone slabs, paving stones, and building sandstone; and having, in some way or other, been worked for centuries, began, in last century, to be worked for grey sandstone slates, and about 1806 for pavement stones. The most extensive works in Forfarshire for what is known as 'Arbroath pavement,' they furnish that stone from level beds 15 inches thick, in form to be raised in very large slabs, and of quality to receive a beautiful polish, and to be well adapted for billiard tables. They have given constant employment to as many as 300 men, and turned out daily 150 tons of material; are provided with a draining tunnel which cost £3000, with steam-engines and powerful cranes, with numerous planing, cutting, and polishing machines, and with other appliances for detailed operations. Paving-stones, cisterns, copes, balustrades, columns, etc., are sent from them to all the chief cities of Great Britain, to many parts of Continental Europe, to the United States of America, and to Australia and other British colonies; and they belong to the Earl of Dalhousie, being worked under lease.

The parish is bounded N by Kirkden and a detached portion of Dunnichen, E by Inverkeilor and St Vigeans, SE by Arbriot, S by Panbride, SW by Monikie, and W by a detached section of Guthrie and by Dunnichen. Its greatest length, from E to W, is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth, from N to S, varies between $2\frac{3}{4}$ and $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles; and its land area is 7553 acres. The surface, forming part of the south-eastern heights and skirts of the Sidlaw Hills, is a low plateau of elevated plain in the SE, sinking to 300 feet above sea-level. Thence it rises north-westward in a series of such rounded uplands as Dykehead (600 feet) and West Hills (648), which command a prospect from the German Ocean to the Benhinnan mountains, and from Schiehallion to Fifeness and the Lammermuirs. Several streams rise on or near the western and north-western border, and drain the interior south-eastward in the basin system of ELLIOT Water. The rocks are nearly all of the kind worked in the quarries; they abound in Devonian fossils, and contain the 'seraphim' figured in Hugh Miller's *Old Red Sandstone*. The soil, on the banks of the streams, is a fine deep alluvium; on some of the acclivities, is of a dry, light-coloured, friable character; and elsewhere is mostly fine black vegetable mould, but wet and spongy, on a tilly or gravelly bottom. The Carmyllie property belonged from an early period to Arbroath Abbey, and, passing after the Reformation through various hands, came about 1640 to the Panmure family. (See BRECHIN.) In the S of the parish is the site of Carnegie Castle, from 1358 a seat of the ancestors of the Earls of Northesk and Southesk; the present chief mansion is Guynd. Remains of a noted tumulus are near the summit of Carmyllie Hill; vestiges of an ancient camp are in Guynd Den; and several urns and stone coffins have been found. The Rev. Patrick Bell, LL.D. (1800-69), inventor of the reaping-machine, was minister from 1843. Formed in 1609 out of portions of Panbride, St Vigeans, and Inverkeilor parishes, Carmyllie is in the presbytery of Arbroath and synod of Angus and Mearns; the living is worth £171. The parish church dates from the erection of the parish, and contains 500 sittings. There is also a Free church; and 2 public schools, East and West, with respective accommodation for 131 and 195 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 79 and 75,

and grants of £62, 14s. 6d. and £61, 3s. Valuation (1891) £8004, 3s., including £1032 for the railway. Pop. (1801) 892, (1831) 1153, (1861) 1286, (1871) 1309, (1881) 1137, (1891) 1033.—*Ordn. Sur.*, shs. 49, 57, 1865-68.

Carn. See CAIRN.

Carna, a small inhabited island in Morvern parish, Argyllshire, in Loch Sunart, at the mouth of Loch Teagus, a little NE of Oronsay. It rises high, and has a rocky broken summit, but is verdant and fertile on some of its slopes, especially on the E side.

Carnabattan, a lake in Kiltarlity parish, N Invernesshire. It is not large, yet it affords good sport to the angler.

Carnach, a *quoad sacra* parish in Contin, Fodderty, and Urray parishes, S Ross-shire, comprising a secluded Highland valley, 14 miles long and only $\frac{1}{2}$ mile broad. Its post-town is Deauly, 20 miles distant. The population, in 1830, was 1056, but, in consequence of the introduction of sheep-farming, it fell to 711 in 1836, to 325 in 1891, and to 249 in 1891. Most of the inhabitants are either small tenants or shepherds. Carnach is in the presbytery of Dingwall and synod of Ross. Stipend, £120, with manse and glebe. The church was built in 1830, chiefly at the expense of Government, and contains 320 sittings.

Carnach. See CAIRNAIG.

Carnassary, a ruined castellated mansion in Kilmartin parish, Argyllshire, on an eminence at the head of Kilmartin valley. It was the residence of John Carswell, rector of Kilmartin, and Bishop of the Isles from 1566 to 1572, who published in 1567 the first book printed in Gaelic, a translation of Knox's liturgy; afterwards it became the property and the occasional residence of the Campbells of Auchinbreck.

Carnavaddy. See BENCLIBRECK.

Carnbee, a hamlet and a parish in the East Neuk of Fife. The hamlet lies 3 miles NNW of Pittenweem station, and has a post office under Pittenweem.

The parish, containing also the village of ANNCROACH, is bounded N by Cameron, NE by Dunino and Craig, E by Kilmenny, S by Anstruther-Wester, Pittenweem, and Abercrombie, SW and W by Kilconquhar. Its greatest length from E to W is $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth, from N to S, varies between 2 and $4\frac{3}{4}$ miles; and its area is 8395 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres. The surface has a north-westerly rise, from less than 100 feet above sea-level in the extreme S to 500 feet on Kellie Law and 600 at Cassingray—heights that command an extensive view from the Grampians to the Lammermuir Hills. The section to the N of Kellie Law is chiefly pastoral, but the section southward to the southern boundary, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the Firth of Forth, is a rich expanse of cultivated land. Trap rocks prevail in the centre and the N; and carboniferous rocks, with extensive coal mines, sandstone quarries, and excellent limestone, predominate over the S. The soil, in the central and northern parts, is poor; but elsewhere is mostly a stiff fructiferous clay. Archibald Constable (1775-1824), Scott's publisher, was a native. The principal mansions, all separately noticed, are Balcaskie, Pitcorbie, and Kellie Castle; and 10 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, and 3 of less than £100. Carnbee is in the presbytery of St Andrews and synod of Fife, a small portion of it being included in Largoward *quoad sacra* parish; its living is worth £315. The parish church, erected at the hamlet in 1793, contains 500 sittings. There is also a Free church; and 2 public schools, Annacroach and Carnbee, with respective accommodation for 99 and 111 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 49 and 67, and grants of £44, 7s. 6d. and £62, 16s. Valuation (1891) £11,336, 18s. 4d. Pop. (1801) 1083, (1841) 1043, (1861) 1157, (1871) 1088, (1881) 1058, (1891) 952.—*Ordn. Sur.*, sh. 41, 1857.

Carnbo, a village in Fossoway parish, Kinross-shire, on South Queich Water, adjacent to the boundary with Perthshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Kinross. It has a post office under Kinross, and a public school.

Carnbroe, an estate, with a mansion, and a village on the N border of Bothwell parish, Lanarkshire. The

mansion stands on North Calder Water, near the Caledonian railway, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Bellshill. The estate is rich in coal and ironstone, and has within it collieries, iron-works, and a chemical work. The village adjoins Calder in Old Monkland parish. Pop. with Brewsterford, (1861) 904, (1871) 873, (1881) 725, (1891) 739.

Carnchaivichin, a very large sepulchral cairn in Monzievaird and Strowan parish, Perthshire, supposed to have been raised to the memory of Kenneth, son of Dubh, King of Alban, who, according to Skene, was slain at Moughavard or Monzievaird in 1005.

Carnegie. See CARMYLLIE.

Carneil, an eminence in Carnock parish, Fifeshire, adjacent to the Stirling and Dunfermline railway, 5 furlongs WSW of Carnock village. It rises to an altitude of 400 feet above sea-level; commands an extensive view of the basin of the Forth, from Stirling to Edinburgh; is supposed to have been a camping-ground both of the Caledonians and the Romans in the time of Agricola; and has furnished several Roman urns.

Carnethy, one of the Pentland Hills on the NE border of Penicuik parish, Edinburghshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Penicuik town. It flanks the SE side of Loganlee Reservoir; has an altitude of 1890 feet above sea-level; and is crowned with a cairn.

Carniehill, a village on the S border of Carnock parish, Fifeshire, 1 mile E by N of Torryburn, and 3 miles WSW of Dunfermline. See CAIRNEYHILL.

Caru Liath, a summit (3193 feet) of BENGLO in Blair Athole parish, Perthshire.

Caru Maing, a mountain in Glen Lyon, Forthingal parish, NW Perthshire, 5 miles SSE of Kinloch-Rannoch, and 3 SW of Schiehallion. It rises 3419 feet above sea-level.

Caru-na-Caillich, an ancient tumulus on the SW coast of Morvern parish, Argyllshire, fabled to have been borne to the spot by a giantess, to build a bridge over the Sound of Mull.

Caru-na-Cuimhne. See CAIRNOCUIMHNE.

Carnock. See CARNACK.

Carnock, a village and a parish on the SW border of Fifeshire. The village stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ENE of Oakley station, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Dunfermline, under which it has a post office.

The parish contains also Cairneyhill village and the greater part of Oakley Iron-works, and is traversed by the Stirling and Dunfermline railway. It is bounded NE and E by Dunfermline parish, S and SW by Torryburn and a detached portion of Saline, W by the Culross district of Perthshire, and NW by Saline. Its greatest length, from N to S, is $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, its breadth, from E to W, varies between 7 furlongs and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 3502 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 10 are water. From 140 feet above sea-level near Cairneyhill the surface has a general northward rise to 400 on Carneil Hill, and 744 on Craigluscar Hill, which, culminating just outside the NE corner of the parish, commands a view to the Ochils, Ben Lomond, and the Pentlands. Three or four barns run eastward and south-eastward, to fall eventually into the Firth of Forth; and several springs are chalybeate, one, in the neighbourhood of Carnock village, emitting an ink-like liquid. On the NE boundary is the Compensation Reservoir, with extreme length and breadth of $\frac{1}{2}$ mile and $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlong. The rocks are partly eruptive, partly carboniferous. Coal has been extensively worked; ironstone abounds in the W; sandstone is quarried in several places; and limestone was formerly quarried on the lands of Luscar. The Forth or Oakley Iron-works, on the western border, were established in 1846, and occasioned a great increase of the population, but are now discontinued. The soils are variously clay, loam, gravel, and moss; and in most places are shallow. About 450 acres are under wood, and about 45 waste. A Roman camp is supposed to have been on Campspank; and Roman urns have been exhumed on Carneil Hill. John Row, the ecclesiastical historian, was minister from 1592 to 1646, as from 1741 to 1752 was John Gillespie, founder of the Relief Synod, now incorporated in the United Presbyterian Church. Newbigging, now a farm-

house, was the seat of Prof. Jn. Erskine (1695-1768), author of *Institutes of the Laws of Scotland*. At present the chief mansions are Blair, Carnock, and Luscar; and 3 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, 3 of from £50 to £100, and 18 of from £20 to £50. Originally comprising only the estates of Carnock, Blair, and Easter and Wester Camps, this parish was enlarged in 1650 by annexations from Dunfermline. It is in the presbytery of Dunfermline and synod of Fifeshire; the living is worth £190. A neat new parish church, cruciform and with a spire, was built in 1840 in the Saxon style and contains 400 sittings; its predecessor was the little building of 1602, in which Row ministered, and in whose kirkyard he was buried, with a Latin and Hebrew inscription on his tomb. There are also a Free church of Carnock and a U.P. church of Cairneyhill; whilst 2 public schools—Cairneyhill and Carnock—with respective accommodation for 107 and 125 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 46 and 128, and grants of £43, 7s. and £121, 14s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £5462, 12s. 8d. Pop. (1801) 860, (1831) 1202, (1861) 2925, (1871) 1764, (1881) 1055, (1891) 987.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Carnock, an estate, with a mansion, on the E border of St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SE of Stirling, and 1 mile NNW of Airth station. An old round tower, Bruce's Castle, on it, is remarkable only for its name. The owner, heir and namesake of Sir Michael Shaw-Stewart of ARDGOWAN, was born in 1854, and holds property in the parish of a yearly value of £1670. Kernack or Carnock figures in the legend of St Kentigern as the place whence, laying the dead body of the old man Fergus in a new wain drawn by two untamed bulls, he was guided by these to Cathures or Glasgow.

Carnock, a rivulet of Dumbarton and Stirling shires. It rises among the Kilpatrick hills; runs about 6 miles northward and north-eastward, partly along the boundary between the two counties, but chiefly within Stirlingshire; and falls into the Blane, a little above the point of that river's confluence with the Endrick. Part of its course is along the red sandstone chasm of ASHDOW.

Carnon, a rivulet of Ardoch parish, Argyllshire, running $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE to the river Etive at Invercharman.

Carnoustie, an estate, with an ancient mansion, in Forgie parish, Banffshire, on the left bank of the Deveron, 4 miles W of Turriff. Its owner, Jn. Harvey, Esq. (b. 1841; suc. 1867), holds 3424 acres in the shire, valued at £3297 per annum.

Carnoustie, a police burgh and a *quoad sacra* parish in Barry parish, SE Forfarshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Buddon Ness. The town has a station on the Dundee and Arbroath Joint line, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of the former and 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of the latter town; at it are also a post office, with money order, savings' bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland and the North of Scotland Bank, a local savings bank, gas-works, hotels, a handsome golf house, a Young Men's Christian Association, a linen mill, chemical manure works, a large shoe factory, and vegetable preserve works. Of recent years its fine bathing and spacious golfing links have drawn to Carnoustie many summer visitors, for whose accommodation several good lodging-houses and handsome villas have arisen. The *quoad sacra* church was built as a chapel of ease in 1835; and other places of worship are a Free, a U.P., a United Original Secession, and an Episcopal church. The last of these, built (1880-81) in the Early English style, will eventually comprise nave, chancel, organ chamber, vestry, and a round tower, 75 feet high, like that of Brechin (see article Brechin for a full description). A public school, with accommodation for 600 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 359, and a grant of £365, 7s. The *quoad sacra* parish is in the presbytery of Arbroath and synod of Angus and Mearns; its minister's stipend is £120. Valuation of burgh (1891) £15,868, 11s. Pop. of *q. s.* parish (1891) 2468; of town (1861) 1488, (1871) 1728, (1881) 3321, (1891) 4134, including Newton and West Haven.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 49, 1865.

Carnsalloch, an estate, with a mansion, in Kirkmahoe

parish, Dumfriesshire, on the left bank of the Nith, 3½ miles N by W of Dumfries. The heirs of its late owner, Gen. Thos. Hy. Johnston (died 1891), hold 2409 acres in the shire, valued at £2821 per annum.

Carntyne, a district, with a railway station, in Shettleston parish, NW Lanarkshire, near Glasgow. It has one or two foundries, engineering works, and other manufactories. A Free church was built here in 1892.

Carnwath, a village and a parish of E Lanarkshire. The village stands on a burn of its own name, ½ mile E of the Caledonian railway, 1¼ NNE of a loop of the river Clyde, 6½ miles ENE of Lanark, 25 SW of Edinburgh, and 27 ESE of Glasgow. Long a dingy and disagreeable place, it has been greatly improved, but still consists mainly of one old street, nearly ¾ mile long. It has a station, a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank, gas-works, inns, an old tollbooth, a masonic hall, and fairs on the last Friday of February, the first Wednesday of April *o.s.*, the first Wednesday of May *o.s.*, the first Thursday of July, the second Wednesday of August *o.s.*, and the Friday before 31 Oct. Carnwath has given the title of Earl to the Dalzell family since 1639; its present and fifteenth holder is Robt. H. C. Dalzell (b. 1847; suc. 1887). An ancient artificial mound at the W end of the village was formerly encompassed with a deep ditch and an earthen rampart; is supposed to have been constructed in the 12th century by Sir John Somerville of Carnwath and Linton, as a defensive work in the interest of Robert Bruce; and, in 1833, was planted with hardwood trees. A former ford adjacent to this mound was long the only pass across Carnwath Burn, and gave the parish its name (Gael. 'ford of the cairn'). The present parish church was erected in 1866 on the site of the former one, and is a handsome Gothic structure. Its collegiate predecessor was founded in 1424 by Sir Thomas Somerville for a provost and six prebendaries, and, Second Pointed in style, is now represented by a fragment of the N transept, with a five-light window and sepulchral effigies; here many of the Lords of Carnwath barony lie buried—Somervilles down to the beginning, and Lockharts since the latter half, of the 17th century. There are Free and U.P. churches; and two public schools, New and Old Carnwath, with respective accommodation for 81 and 182 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 37 and 113, and grants of £29, 11s. 6d. and £136, 17s. Pop. (1881) 845, (1891) 701.

The parish, containing also the villages of Wilsontown, Braehead, Auchengray, Forth, and Newbigging, with part of Carstairs Junction, is traversed by the Caledonian and by the lines to Wilsontown and Dolphinton. It is bounded N by West Calder in Edinburghshire, E by Dunsyre, SE by Walston, S by Libberton, and W by Carstairs. Its greatest length, from N to S, is 8½ miles; its breadth, from E to W, decreases southward from 9 to 4½ miles; and its area is 30,565 acres, of which 118½ are water. The South MEDWIN, flowing westward to the Clyde, and the Clyde itself, over a distance of 1½ mile, trace the southern boundary, whilst the North Medwin rises on the NE border, and runs southward partly on the boundary with Dunsyre, but chiefly in the interior, to the Clyde. Mause Water traces, for some distance, the boundary with Carstairs, but soon passes into Carstairs; and Dipool Water, rising on the northern border, runs about 7½ miles south-westward to the Mause, at the boundary with Carstairs. Low flat lands along the South Medwin and the Clyde sink to 600 feet above sea-level; thence the surface rises somewhat gradually northward, attaining 799 feet near Spittal, 966 on Hare Law, 922 on Braehead Moss, 950 at Beveridgehall, 1079 near Climpy House, 1121 at Lambeach, 1101 at Upper Loanhead, and 1177 on the West Calder boundary. Comprising a large extent of moss and moor, it presents, for the most part, a bleak and dreary appearance, but has redeeming features of wood and culture along the streams, and of swell and ridge in the general ascent. The rocks, over a considerable portion of the area, particularly NW of Dipool Water, belong to the Carboniferous formation, and are

rich in coal and ironstone. The soil, adjacent to the Clyde, is deep clay; on the Medwin, it passes to sand; on other arable tracts, is chiefly a mixture of moss and cold stiff clay. About 400 acres are under wood. White Loch, with extreme length and breadth of 2¼ and 1¼ furlongs, lies 1 mile WNW of Carnwath village, and has long been famous as a resort of curlews from a large extent of surrounding country; COBENS-HAW Reservoir just touches the NE border. The minor poet, Jas. Grene (1749-72), and Rt. Anderson, M.D. (1750-1830), editor of the British Poets, were natives. The chief antiquity is the ruined castle of COWTHALLY; and in that curious history of its ancient lords, *The Morrie of the Somervilles* (2 vols., 1815), are recorded the chief events in Carnwath's history. Carnwath House, at the W end of the village, belongs to Sir Simon Macdonald-Loekhart of Lee, fifth Bart. since 1896 (b. 1819; suc. 1870), and owner of 31,556 acres in the shire, valued at £21,919, including £869 for minerals. Eight other proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 21 of between £100 and £500, 10 of from £50 to £100, and 24 of from £20 to £50. Carnwath is in the presbytery of Lanark and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the living is worth £356. Besides the churches at the village, there are the *quoad sacra* parish church of Forth, and the Established mission chapels of Auchengray and Haywood; a Free church of Forth and Wilsontown; and a U.P. church of Braehead. Besides the two schools at the village there are 7 schools—Auchengray, Braehead, Forth, Haywood, Newbigging, Tarbrax, and Wilsontown—with total accommodation for 1543 children, which had (1891) an average attendance of 920, and grants amounting to £946, 14s. 4d. Pop. (1871) 5709, (1881) 5836, (1891) 5324.—*Ordn. Sur.*, shs. 23, 24, 1865-68.

Caroline Park, a mansion in Cramond parish, Edinburghshire, on the Firth of Forth, ¾ mile W of Granton station. An old-fashioned grey stone edifice, with central quadrangle, it adjoins the ruins of Roystoun Castle; was built in 1685; and received its present name in memory of George II.'s queen. By its owner, the Duke of Buccleuch, it is let for offices to A. B. Fleming & Co. (Limited), whose printing-ink and chemical works, a little to the W, are the largest in the world, supplying ink to most of the London and provincial papers, and also exporting it to every quarter of the globe.

Carolside, a mansion, with a fine deer park, since 1891 in Melrose parish, Roxburghshire, on the left bank of Leader Water, 1¼ mile NW of Earliston village. It is a seat of Donald Jas. Mackay, eleventh Lord Reay since 1628 (b. 1839; suc. 1876), he having married in 1877 the widow of Alex. Mitchell, Esq. of Stow and Carolside, who owned 2455 acres in the shire, valued at £2635 per annum.

Carphin, an estate, with a mansion, in Creich parish, N Fife, 6½ miles NW of Cupar. From a branch of the Baillies of Lamington it has passed to successively the Halkerstons, Raiths, and Cooks.

Carpow, an estate, with a mansion, in ABERNETHY parish, SE Perthshire, 3 miles W by S of Newburgh.

Carr, a burn on Cathic and Braemar parish, Aberdeenshire, running to the left side of the river Dee, 2 miles above Castletown. It makes a pretty waterfall.

Carr, a reef in Crail parish, Fife, on the N side of the entrance of the Firth of Forth, 1 mile NNE of Fife Ness. Long a scene of frequent shipwrecks, it was eventually surmounted, at its extreme point, by a beacon of solid masonry, crowned with a pillar-supported ball 25 feet above sea-level; whilst in 1844 it was further pointed out to mariners by the erection of a second lighthouse on the Isle of May, with a light directed towards it. A lightship is moored about five-sixths of a nautical mile E of the North Carr rock. It exhibits a fixed white light, visible for 11 nautical miles. It is painted red, and has a double-note fog siren trumpet.

Carradale, a village, a rivulet, and a bay on the E side of Kintyre, Argyllshire. The village, in Saddell parish, stands on the bay, at the mouth of the rivulet, 13 miles N by E of Campbeltown; at it are a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph de-

partments, an iron stean-boat pier (1871), a hotel, Saddell parish church, a Free Church (Carradale and Skipness), and a public school. Carradale Water, formed by the Drochaid and Narachan Burns, runs about 7 miles south-south-eastward to the bay; has a considerable volume; and is an excellent angling-stream, frequented by salmon. The bay is flanked, on the NE side, by a rocky headland, the Aird of Carradale (133 feet); is 1 mile broad and 5 furlongs long; and opens, with south-south-eastward exposure, into the southern part of Kilbrannan Sound. Remains of an old fort, which must once have been a place of some importance, measuring 240 feet by 72, are on the Aird of Carradale; and ruins of an oval vitrified fort, 450 feet in circumference, crown a small peninsula, on the W side of the bay. Carradale House, at its head, is a seat of Col. D. C. R. C. Buchanan, C.B., of Drumpellier (b. 1825; suc. 1840), who owns 18,000 acres in the shire, valued at £2575.

Carrbridge, a hamlet in Duthil parish, Inverness-shire, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Aviemore, and $24\frac{1}{2}$ SE of Inverness, with a station on the Aviemore and Inverness railway. It has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments, and a Free church. Pop. (1891) 335.

Carre or Cavers-Carre. See BOWDEN.

Carrick, the southernmost of the three districts of Ayrshire, under which its physical features are described, as also under its nine parishes, Ballantrae, Barr, Colmonell, Dailly, Girvan, Kirkmichael, Kirkoswald, Maybole, and Straiton. Earls of Carrick appear as early as the 12th century, being thus among the first of the Scottish nobles; they had their chief seat at TURNBERRY Castle, on the coast of Kirkoswald parish. The earldom passed, in 1271, to the father of King Robert Bruce, by marriage with Margaret, Countess of Carrick, daughter of Nigel or Niel, the second earl; was given by King Robert to his brother Edward; reverted, soon after 1334, to the Crown; and since 1404 has formed part of the inheritance of the princes and stewards of Scotland, being one of the titles of the Prince of Wales.

Carrick, an old forsaken castle in Lochgoilhead parish, Argyllshire, near the middle of the W side of Loch Goil. It stands on a rocky peninsular platform, formerly defended on the land side by a deep moat, a draw-bridge over which was flanked by two small towers. An irregular oblong structure, 66 feet long, 38 wide, and 64 high, it is now unroofed, but otherwise fairly entire; dates from the end of the 15th century, perhaps much earlier, being thought to occupy the site of a Scandinavian fort; was a royal stronghold, held by the Earls of Argyll as hereditary keepers. Carrick Castle has now become quite a fashionable seaside resort. A number of handsome villas have sprung up, a pier has been erected, and there are a hotel, a post office under Greenock, and a church for the Established mission station here, opened in 1892.

Carrick, an estate, with a mansion, in Eday island, Orkney. The estate was constituted a burgh of barony in the time of Charles I. The mansion, standing near the northern extremity of the island, opposite Calf, was the residence of Mr Fea, who in 1725 dexterously captured Gow, the 'Pirate' of Scott's romance.

Carriden, a coast parish of Linnithgowshire, containing the villages of Blackness, Bridgeness, Grangepans, and Muirhouses. It approaches within 3 furlongs and 1 mile of the post-towns and railway stations of Borrowstouness and Linnithgow; and is bounded N by the Firth of Forth, E by Abercorn, S by Linnithgow, and W by Bo'ness. Its greatest length, from E to W, is $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth, from N to S, is $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile; and its area is 2708 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which $3\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The surface, rising somewhat rapidly from the shore to a line about 1 mile inland, declines thence, for the most part, to the southern boundary, but rises again south-westward towards Glower-o'er-em (559 feet) in Borrowstouness parish; in Carriden itself it rarely much exceeds 300 feet above sea-level. Two small headlands are respectively at Blackness in the E and at Bridgeness in the W. The rocks are partly eruptive, partly car-

boniferous. Trap rock and sandstone are occasionally worked; coal has, from time immemorial, been extensively mined; and a deposit of clay, about 12 feet deep, at Brickfield near Blackness, has been extensively used for making bricks and tiles. Two streamlets, Carriden and Blackness Burns, drain most of the interior to the Forth. The soil is generally light and early, capable of producing good crops. About 90 acres are under wood, and very little is waste. Gildas, about 560, mentions Cair Eden (Gael. 'town at the front') as 'a most ancient city,' the eastern termination of ANTONINUS' WALL. Scarce a vestige remains here of that huge rampart, but numerous Roman relics have been found—a gold coin of Vespasian, an altar, vases, etc. (See BRIDGENESS.) With BLACKNESS Castle are associated most of the chief episodes in the history of the parish, a native of which was Col. James Gardiner (1688-1745), who fell at Prestonpans. Carriden House, an edifice of some antiquity, with modern additions, stands on the shore of the Firth, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Bo'ness; it has been the seat of two distinguished admirals, father and son, Sir Geo. Johnstone-Hope, K.C.B. (1767-1818), and Sir Jas. Hope, G.C.B. (1808-81). The latter held 728 acres in the shire, valued at £1350 per annum, including £52 for minerals; and the rest of the parish is divided among 25 proprietors, 4 holding each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 1 of between £100 and £500, 4 of from £50 to £100, and 16 of from £20 to £50. Carriden is in the presbytery of Linnithgow and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £293. The parish church, near Bridgeness, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E by S of Bo'ness, was built in 1766, and contains 453 sittings. Carriden and Grangepans public schools and Blackness and Carriden girls' schools, with respective accommodation for 275, 181, 35, and 68 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 243, 120, 13, and 33, and grants of £269, 8s. 5d., £98, 2s., £20, 15s., and £27, 4s. Valuation £8239, 11s. Pop. (1881) 1985, (1891) 2452.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857.

Carrington, a village and a parish in the S of Edinburghshire. The village, sometimes called Primrose, stands 3 furlongs from the South Esk's left bank, 2 miles WSW of Gorebridge station, 3 SE of Hawthornden, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ S by W of Dalkeith; at it are a post office under Gorebridge, the parish church, and a public school.

The parish is bounded N by Cockpen, E by Borthwick, SE by Temple, S by Penicuik, and SW, W, and NW by Lasswade. Its greatest length, from NE to SW, is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth, from NW to SE, varies between 1 and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 4403 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres. The South Esk traces the boundary with Borthwick; Fullarton Water, or Redside Burn, on to its confluence with the South Esk, traces the boundary with Temple; and Dalhousie Burn traces part of the boundary with Lasswade and Cockpen. The surface has a general south-westward rise from less than 400 to over 900 feet above sea-level. Along the streams the land is for the most part good, but elsewhere it is hilly and moorish. WHITEHILL, in the extreme N of the parish, is the principal mansion; and most of the property is divided between its proprietor, Major R. G. Wardlaw-Ramsay, and the Earl of Rosebery. Carrington is in the presbytery of Dalkeith and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the minister's stipend is £166, with a glebe worth about £20 a year. The school, with accommodation for 130 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 58, and a grant of £56, 4s. Valuation £7281. Pop. (1801) 409, (1831) 561, (1861) 681, (1871) 712, (1881) 606, (1891) 563.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857.

Carrity. See CARITY.

Carroll Rock. See BROEA.

Carrolstone. See CARALDSTON.

Carron, a locality, partly in Inveraver parish, but chiefly in Aberlour parish, Banffshire. It comprises a hill, a daugh, and a railway station. The hill, on the mutual border of the two parishes, rises immediately from the right bank of the Spey to a height of 967 feet above sea-level, and is separated by a narrow valley from Ben Rinnes. The daugh forms a continuation of the valley between the hill and Ben Rinnes; lies to the SW

of Kinermony Daugh; and is separated therefrom by a very deep ravine, traversed by a mountain rivulet. The station, on the Strathpey section of the Great North of Scotland, is $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Craigellachie Junction, under which it has a post and telegraph office. Near it is Carron House.

Carron (Gael. *car-ain*, 'winding river'), a bog and a small river of Stirlingshire. The bog, lying partly in Kilsyth and St Ninians parishes, but chiefly in Fintry parish, at about 1000 feet above sea-level, occupies a portion of the table-land between the E and W coasts of Scotland, and forms part of the watershed between the two seas. It sends off Carron river to the E, and an affluent of the Endrick to the W; measures about 4 miles in length, by from 1 to 2 miles in breadth; and was probably at no very distant period a lake which gradually was filled by the earthy deposits of brooks running into it from the surrounding hills. Now partly a swamp, scarcely passable even in summer, it is flooded over nearly all its extent in times of heavy rain; possesses much value for pasturage and for produce of meadow hay; exhibits, in July and August, a picturesque appearance with parties of haymakers and multitudes of haycocks all over it; and during winter, partly by natural flooding, partly by artificial damming in order to fertilise it for the next year's crop, presents over most of its area the aspect of a lake enlaid with romantic hill screens. The river, both where it leaves the lake and over the first $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles of its course, runs among the Lennox Hills, overhung by summits of from 1000 to 1870 feet above sea-level; it afterwards debouches on the low grounds and carse of the E of Stirlingshire, tracing the boundary between the parishes of Denny and Falkirk on the S, of St Ninians, Dumipace, Larbert, and Bothkennar on the N; till, after an easterly course of 20 miles, it glides into the Firth of Forth at Grangemouth. Highland in character, bleak and wild, among the hills, it forms on issuing from them a fine cascade, called Auchinlilly Linn-spout; in its course through the plain it furnishes water-power to numerous factories; and at its mouth it unites with the Forth and Clyde Canal. It anciently was estuarial, and frequented by Roman ships, to a point about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles above its present embouchure; it anciently, too, over most of the lower part of its course, made twists and turns which, partly from natural, partly from artificial, causes, have been forsaken and obliterated; it seems ever to have possessed much interest for at once the angler, the poet, and the lover of the picturesque; and still, though grievously polluted, it yields good pike and perch fishing between Denny and Larbert, and in its upper waters contains a few trout, to which in 1880 were added 30,000 young ones, a present from Sir Jas. Gibson Maitland to the Falkirk Angling Club. Buchanan terms it, in his *Epithalamium*, the boundary of the Roman conquests in Britain; Dyer sings it as still seeming responsive to Ossian's lyre; with Hector Macneil it is the classic stream where Fingal fought and Ossian hymned his heaven-taught lays; and a famous old song extols 'the bonny banks of Carron Water.' A Roman seaport town stood on it in the vicinity of the present CAMELON; ANTONINUS' WALL ran, for a considerable distance, along its banks; ARTHUR'S OVEN, stood near it in the north-western vicinity of Carron Iron-works; and the two battles of FALKIRK, in 1298 and 1745, were fought not far from its southern bank.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Carron, a village in Larbert parish, Stirlingshire, adjacent to the NE side of Carron Iron-works, near Carron river, 2 miles N by W of Falkirk. It has a money order post office and a school. Pop. (1891) 1208.

Carron, a rivulet of Nithsdale, Dumfriesshire. It rises, at 2000 feet above sea-level, among the Lowther mountains, on the NE border of Durrisdeer parish, close to Lanarkshire; runs $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-south-westward within Durrisdeer; receives from the N, in the lower part of that run, the tributary Kirk Burn; proceeds $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-westward along the boundary between Durrisdeer and Morton; and falls into the Nith just below Carronbridge village. Its vale and that of Kirk Burn

are highly picturesque, presenting considerable resemblance to some of the most famous scenery of North Wales, and they lead up to the remarkable alpine curving gorge among the Lowthers, called the Wallpath. A noble viaduct of the Glasgow and South-Western railway crosses the rivulet $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from its mouth, and commands a grand view of the upper hill screens of the vale.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 15, 9, 1864-63.

Carron, a rivulet of Kincardineshire, rising among the skirts of the Grampians, on the W border of Glenberrie parish. It runs about $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles eastward, partly in Glenberrie, partly along the boundary between Dunnotar and Fetteresso, and falls into the sea at Stonehaven. The Aberdeen section of the Caledonian railway runs near its southern bank for about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles and crosses it in the vicinity of Stonehaven.

Carron, a small river of SW Ross-shire. It rises near the central watershed of the county, not far from Luibgargan Inn, gathers its head-streams into Loch Scaven, runs about 14 miles south-westward, expands at one part into Loch Doule, and falls into the head of Loch Carron. Its vale is mainly a highland glen, but has patches of cultivated ground along its bottom, and much excellent pasture on its flanks; its waters are much increased in volume by tributary streams, and are well-stocked with salmon and with large sea-trout. Skene identifies the 'Itys' of Ptolemy with the Carron.

Carron, a small river of Kincardine parish, N Ross-shire. It is formed by confluent streams from Strath Cullenach, Glen Alladale, Glen More, and Glen Calvie, near Amat Lodge, 9 miles W of Bonar-Bridge station; and thence it runs 9 miles E by N along Strath Carron to the Kyle of Sutherland at Invercarron, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above Bonar-Bridge. It is in good repute as a salmon stream. In chap. viii. of *My Schools and Schoolmasters*, Hugh Miller describes 'the dark hills and alder-skirted river of Strath Carron,' visited by him as a lad in 1820,—its 'bleak gorge, where the lofty sides approach so near, and rise so abruptly, that for the whole winter quarter the sun never falls on the stream below.'—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 102, 1881.

Carronbridge, a village in Morton parish, Dumfriesshire, on the left bank of Carron Water, near the Nith and the Glasgow and South-Western railway, 2 miles NNW of Thornhill. It has a station on the railway, and a post office under Thornhill.

Carronbridge, a place in the vicinity of Carron Iron-works, Stirlingshire, on the river Carron, 5 miles E of Denny, under which it has a post office.

Carronhall, a village on the E border of Larbert parish, Stirlingshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of Carron river at Carronshore, and 2 miles ENE of Larbert station. Carronhall House stands amid fine grounds in its southern vicinity; its owner, Thos. Geo. Dundas, Esq. (b. 1853; suc. 1872), holds 1989 acres in the shire, valued at £2204 per annum, including £500 for a neighbouring colliery.

Carron Iron-works, a seat of vast iron manufacture in Larbert and Falkirk parishes, Stirlingshire, on the river Carron, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of Falkirk, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Grangemouth. The establishment was founded in 1760 by Dr Roebuck of Sheffield, and, on his selling out in 1773, received a charter of incorporation, by which its capital was fixed at £150,000. Long famous as the greatest foundry in Britain, it still, though surpassed in extent by some other works of its kind, continues unrivalled in the production of numerous kinds of iron goods. It was for some time closely identified with the manufacture of cannon and shot; it originated and brought to perfection the kind of ordnance called from it 'carronades;' and it all along manufactured also agricultural implements and articles of domestic iron-work, of smith-work, and of machinery. It ceased in 1852 to produce implements of war. There are two foundries—one for heavy and another for light castings. The former is capable of producing castings up to 30 tons in weight, such as land and marine engines, bridge pieces, etc. There are connected with the works four blast or smelting furnaces, all closed by the ordinary bell-and-cone apparatus, two cupola furnaces, one of which only

is worked at a time, each on alternate days, and is capable of melting continuously from 12 to 15 tons per hour. Attached to the furnaces are four blowing engines, consisting of a beam engine with cylinder 8 feet 8 inches in diameter, and three vertical engines of somewhat smaller dimensions. There are besides about 50 fixed engines and 18 boilers. The furnace gases, in addition to being re-utilized for the furnaces, is carried through all the other departments, and there used for all purposes for which coal was formerly employed. There are in all about fifty hydraulic hoists and cranes, one overhead travelling crane having a span of 84 feet. To a stranger approaching the works under shade of night, they present a very curious and striking appearance. The sky above them red with a fiery light, the roaring of huge bellows, the rush of water, and the resounding clang of weighty hammers on great anvils suggest to the imagination Vulcan and the Cyclopes busied with fashioning thunderbolts. The company hold and work for themselves extensive mines of iron ore, coal, and limestone, owning property in nine parishes of the county to the annual value of £8890; they bring in the raw material by a railway which approaches close to the furnaces; they have also a canal, extending from the centre of the works to Grangemouth, and possess a number of canal boats; they are also shipowners, their cargo and passenger steamers, as regards speed and equipment, being equal, and in some respects superior, to any on the east coast; they own 14 miles of private railways, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of tramways within the works; and have, as dependencies of their works and mines, the villages of Carron, West Carron, Carronshore, Stenhousemuir, Cuttyfield, and Larbert. The main entrance to the works is surmounted by a clock tower, bearing the Carron arms (crossed cannon), with the motto *Esto perpetua*. A U.P. church (540 sittings), Early English in style, was erected (1880-81) at a cost of £2000; and a school, with accommodation for 215 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 213, and a grant of £215, 7s. There is also a friendly society connected with the works, with over 700 members; and a co-operative store has been in existence for upwards of 50 years. Among episodes in Carron's history may be noticed James Watt's connection with Dr Roebuck, the visits of the then (1821) future Russian Emperor Nicholas and the Prince of Wales (1859), and Burns's fruitless tirling at the door one Sunday, as told in his verses inscribed on a window of Carron inn. See chap. xxxviii. of Nimmo's *Stirlingshire*.

Carronshore, a village in Larbert and Bothkennar parishes, Stirlingshire, on the left bank of the river Carron, 1 mile ENE of Carron Iron-works, and 2 miles WNW of Grangemouth. Connected with Carron Iron-works by a doubled-lined railway, it was formerly the port of the Carron Company; but has, in main degree, been superseded by Grangemouth. Yet it is still used for the landing of ironstone and lime, and for dry-dock repairs; and is accessible, in ordinary tides, by vessels of 150 tons burden. It has a post office, a mission station of the Church of Scotland, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 399 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 396, and a grant of £335, 9s. 6d. Pop. (1871) 966, (1881) 962, (1891) 1076.

Carron Station. See CARRON, Banffshire.

Carronale, an estate, with a mansion, in the parish and $\frac{2}{3}$ mile ESE of the station of Larbert, Stirlingshire.

Carrot, a wooded hill (851 feet) in Inverarity parish, Forfarshire, 6 miles N by W of Broughty Ferry.

Carroy, a sea-loch on the mutual border of Braacadale and Kilmuir parishes, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire. It branches from Loch Braacadale; penetrates the land about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-eastward; affords good anchorage in ordinary weather; and includes a narrow-mouthed bay, Pol Roag, which affords fair anchorage and perfect shelter to small craft.

Carr Rock. See CARR.

Carrubber, an estate, with a mansion, in the SW corner of Linnithgow parish, Linnithgowshire, on the left bank of the Avon, at the boundary with Stirlingshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Linnithgow.

Carruchan, an estate, with a mansion, in Troqueer parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, 2 miles SW of Dumfries.

Carruth, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Kilmalcolm parish, Renfrewshire, 2 miles W by N of Bridge of Weir station.

Carruthers, an ancient parish on the eastern border of Annandale, Dumfriesshire, consolidated in 1609 with Middlebie and Penersax, and now forming the eastern section of the present Middlebie. From the Earls of Bothwell its lands passed to the Crown by the forfeiture of Earl James, in 1567; and, given by James VI. with the earldom of Bothwell to his cousin Francis Stewart, by him they were forfeited in 1592. Subsequently they went, with other lands in their vicinity, to the Douglases of Drumlanrig.

Carrutherstown, a hamlet in Middlebie parish, Dumfriesshire, 8 miles E by S of Lockerbie, with a post office under Ruthwell.

Carryblair, an ancient sculptured obelisk in Eddertown parish, Ross-shire, adjacent to the parish school-house. Rising to a height of 10 feet, and tapering from a breadth of 4 feet at the base to a point at the top, it is surrounded, at a radius distance of 9 feet, by a stone circle 2 feet high, and is said to commemorate a Norwegian prince called Carius, who fell in battle in its neighbourhood.

Carsaig, a place on the S coast of Mull island, Argyllshire, immediately W of the mouth of Loch Bay. Two natural archways in sea-cliffs here, known as the Carsaig Arches, have recently acquired much celebrity; one of them is a tunnel, 66 feet high, 55 wide, and 150 long, through a projecting mass of rock, crested with a basaltic colonnade, and overhung by a cliff which also has colonnades, and rises to an altitude of 983 feet. The other arch is only a few feet long, but 70 feet high; and it pierces an isolated rock about 120 feet high, crowned by a basaltic column. The freestone used in the restoration (1874-76) of IONA's ancient remains was taken from Carsaig Quarry, which, it is supposed, supplied the original materials.

Carse, a small bay in Kirkbean parish, SE Kirkcudbrightshire, in the estuary of the Nith, 1 mile NNE of Kirkbean village. A foreshore of about 6000 acres, the Carse Sands, spreads eastward and south-eastward from it to the channel of the Nith; is all bare during a considerable time before and after low water; and renders the navigation, during the flow tide, particularly dangerous. See CARSETHORN.

Carse, a farm in Kirkcudbright parish, Kirkcudbrightshire. An ancient Caledonian fort, about 50 paces in diameter, is on it, and probably was designed to command a neighbouring fort on the river Dee at a considerable reach of the river's valley.

Carsebridge. See ALLOA.

Carseburn, a village in the parish and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of the town of Forfar, Forfarshire.

Carsecreugh, a ruined castle in Old Luce parish, Wigtownshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Glenluce. It stands on a desolate moor, and, says old Symson quaintly, 'might have been more pleasant, if it had been a more pleasant place.' Rebuilt by the first Viscount Stair in the latter half of the 17th century, it was the home of the 'Bride of Lammermoor' (See BALDOON), and is now represented by the square S tower and by the western side of the main edifice.

Carsegown, a hill (593 feet) in the parish and $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SW of the village of New Abbey, SE Kirkcudbrightshire. It is crowned by the Waterloo monument, a round granite tower, about 600 feet high, built in 1816.

Carsegownie, a farm in the W of Aberlemno parish, Forfarshire. An ancient baronial mansion on it has been modernised; and a Caledonian cairn here was found to contain a sarcophagus and an urn in its centre, with numerous rude sarcophagi all round its circumference.

Carse of Clackmannan, the part of the Carse of Forth lying on the left bank of the river Forth within Clackmannanshire. It has the same character as the part

lying opposite to it within Stirlingshire, but is very much smaller.

Carse of Falkirk, the part of the Carse of Forth, lying along the right bank of the river Forth, from Airth in Stirlingshire to Borrowstounness in Linlithgowshire. It is all very nearly a dead level, and is the richest portion of the entire Carse, particularly within Bothkennar and Falkirk parishes.

Carse of Forth, a great tract of low, flat, alluvial land, along both banks of the river Forth, in the counties of Perth, Stirling, Clackmannan, and Linlithgow. It extends from the foot of the Grampians, in the neighbourhood of Gartmore, away through the opening between the Lennox and the Ochil Hills, on to the low country in the vicinity of Borrowstounness; measures about 34 miles in length, and 6 in breadth; is nearly all a perfect level, with very slight declination to the Forth, having an elevation of from 12 to 20 or 25 feet above high-water level; contains, at various depths, beds of marine shells, from a few inches to a foot thick, of the same species as those still existing in the Forth; has an alluvial soil of finely comminuted earth, without the smallest trace of pebble, except what may have been artificially imported; and, in an agricultural point of view, is the richest and most important district of Scotland.

Carse of Gowrie, a low, flat, alluvial district, along the northern bank of the Tay, from Kinnoull Hill, in Perthshire, to Dundee Law in Forfarshire. It measures about 15 miles in length, and from 2 to 4 miles in breadth; lies at an elevation of from 24 to 40 feet above sea-level; and is flanked, along the N, by the Sidlaw Hills. A tract of it, 8 square miles in area, extending eastward from Kinnoull Hill, is moorish; but all the rest of the Carse is rich arable land, cultivated like a garden, parted into fields only by ditches or low hedges, and looking in summer like a sea of corn, sparsely yet beautifully interlarded with trees and houses. It contains a few villages, and about twenty proprietorial mansions; and it has, on the shore, a few tolerable harbours; but, in its main extent, is farmed with the utmost parsimony of space. Most of it was evidently under water at a recent geological period; much of it appears to have been under water at times subsequent to the surrounding country becoming inhabited; several slightly elevated mounds or ridges within it seem to have been islets when all the rest was under water, and bear now the name of *inches* or islands; and numerous parts which now are very fine arable land were, down to 1760 or even later, either morasses or large stagnant pools. The soil on the perfectly flat portions is a blue clay of very rich quality; while that on the inches is dark brown clay-loam, locally called 'black land,' of an older formation and of greater fertility. The Tay is supposed to have anciently taken a circuit round the Carse, washing the foot of the Sidlaw Hills, and entering its present channel at INVERGOWRIE. Staples for holding cables have been found at the foot of the Sidlaws to the N of the flat land; and the parish of St Madoes, now in the Carse, is said to have lain once on the southern side of the river. 'William Lithgow, the traveller,' says Mr Robert Chambers, 'in his singular book referring to a journey through Scotland in 1628, calls the Carse of Gowrie an earthly paradise, but adds the following ungracious information: "The inhabitants being only defective in affableness and communicating courtesies of natural things, whence sprang this proverb—the *Carles* (that is, Churls) of the Carse." And Pennant records another ill-natured proverb, applicable to the people of the Carse of Gowrie—that "they want water in the summer, fire in the winter, and the grace of God all the year round."

Carse of Henryie, a small tract in Lady parish, E side of Sanday island, Orkney.

Carse of Kinnell, the part of the Carse of Falkirk within BORROWSTOUNNESS, Linlithgowshire.

Carse of Stirling, the part of the Carse of Forth which extends along the right bank of the river Forth, from Craigforth to Airth, in Stirlingshire; and also, according to some authorities, the parts along the left

bank of the river, from the Moss of Kinnardine to the mouth of the Devon, within the counties of Perth, Stirling, and Clackmannan.

Carsethorn, a coast village of Kirkbean parish, SE Kirkeudbrightshire, to the S of the entrance of Carse Bay, and 1 mile NE of Kirkbean village. A sea-wall $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile long, and in places 12 feet high, was built (1866-67) for protection of the farm of South Carse from the tide.

Carsie, a village in the parish and 3 miles S of the town of Blairgowrie, NE Perthshire.

Carskey, an estate, with a modern mansion, in the parish and 4 miles WSW of the hamlet of Southend, Kintyre, Argyllshire. Carskey Bay here, 4 miles ENE of the Mull of Kintyre, affords occasional anchorage to vessels.

Carslogie, an estate, with an ancient mansion, in Cupar parish, Fife. The mansion, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Cupar town, was built in the early part of the 14th century; and for nearly 500 years was the seat of the Clephanes. An iron joug, for punishment of offenders on the estate, hung till 1793 on an aged ash-tree in a field hard by; the fate is not known of the Clephane horn and steel hand, both rendered famous by Sir Walter Scott.

Carsluith, an old tower on the coast of Kirkcubreck parish, SW Kirkeudbrightshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Creetown. At it was born Gilbert Brown, the last abbot of NEWABBAY.

Carsphain, a village and a parish in the extreme N of Kirkeudbrightshire. The village lies, 600 feet above sea-level, on the left bank of the Water of Deugh, 10 miles SE of Dalmeilton station, and $9\frac{1}{2}$ NNW of Dalry, under which it has a post office; it consists of a few scattered houses, with the parish church, manse, a school, an inn, and a hotel.

The parish, formed in 1640 out of Kells and Dalry, is bounded N and NE by New Cunnock in Ayrshire, E by Dalry, S by Kells, and W and NW by Straiton and Dalmeilton in Ayrshire. Its greatest length from N to S is $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth from E to W is $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 54,876 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ are foreshore, and 181 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. Gala Lane runs 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward along the western border to Loch Doon, which itself for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles separates Carsphain from Straiton. Rising in the NE, the Water of Deugh curves 5 miles westward along the New Cunnock boundary, and next winds 15 miles southward, east-south-eastward, and southward again, till, at the SE corner of the parish, it falls into the Water of KEX, which traces most of the eastern boundary. Besides several lesser tributaries, the Deugh receives, near the village, Carsphain Burn, flowing 5 miles south-eastward from its source near Loch Doon, just above its own confluence with the Ken; and Pulmaddy Burn, flowing 7 miles eastward along the southern border. The drainage belongs, thus, partly to the system of the Doon, but mainly to that of the Dee, the 'divide' being marked by the summits of Meikle Craigrarson (2000 feet), CARLINS CAIRN (2650), Meaul (2250), Coran of Portmark (2042), Black Craig (1730), Cullendoch Hill (1120), Ben Brack (1475), Todden Hill (1565), and White Hill (1439), extending north-north-eastward along the western and north-western confines of the parish. To the left of the Deugh, the surface, sinking to 350 feet above sea-level in the extreme SE, rises to 1249 in Marsalloch Hill, 1256 in Craig of Knockgray, 1634 in Knockwhirn, 1758 in Duouol, 2612 in CAIRNSMORE, 1632 in Dodd Hill, and 2257 in Windy Standard. The rocks are chiefly granitic and Silurian; at Woodhead, 3 miles NW of the village, a lead-mine has been worked since 1838, zinc, copper, and a little silver also being found. The greater part of the parish is suitable enough for sheep and cattle grazing, the hills being green to the top. Antiquities are some very large cairns, vestiges of an ancient Caledonian stone circle, and, near the confluence of the Deugh and the Ken, the ruins of Dundough Castle, at one time seat of a Gordon of the Kenmare family. Garryhorn, 1 mile W by N of the village, was the headquarters of Sir Robert Grierson

of Lag (1650-1736), the Covenanters' bitter persecutor; Prof. Thos. Jackson, D.D., of St Andrews (1797-1878) was a native, as also, according to some authorities, was Sir Jn. Loudon Macadam (1756-1836), of road-making celebrity, who commonly is claimed for Ayr. Three proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 9 of between £100 and £500, and 2 of less than £100. Carsphairn is in the presbytery of Kirkcudbright and synod of Galloway; the living is worth £273. The church, erected about 1815, contains 400 sittings. A public school, with accommodation for 75 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 33, and a grant of £46, 18s. 6d. Valuation (1888) £10,365, 17s. Pop. (1861) 553, (1871) 545, (1881) 484, (1891) 394.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 8, 9, 14, 15, 1863-64.

Carstairs, a village, a junction, and a parish of E Lanarkshire. The village stands, at 700 feet above sea-level, near the Caledonian railway, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Mouse Water, 1 mile WN of Carstairs Junction, and 4 miles ENE of Lanark, under which it has a postoffice. Anciently called Castleterres or Carstaires, signifying the castle or fort of the estate, it underwent great improvement prior to 1835, and presents a pleasant appearance, with the parish church on a rising ground in its centre. Pop. (1861) 450, (1871) 484, (1891) 477. The railway junction, at the divergence of the main trunk into the Edinburgh and Glasgow forks of the Caledonian, stands on low flat ground, 7 furlongs NW of the main trunk's viaduct over the Clyde, 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Edinburgh, 31 $\frac{1}{2}$ ESE of Glasgow, and 73 $\frac{1}{2}$ NNW of Carlisle. It includes a long glazed arcade, divided lengthwise into two sections, with offices and refreshment rooms along the middle, as also ranges of engine-houses. A village of the name of Carstairs Junction adjoins the station, and has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. Pop. (1881) 888, (1891) 943.

The parish, containing also the village of Ravenstruther, is bounded N by West Calder in Edinburghshire, NE and E by Carnwath, S by Pettinain, SW by Lanark, W by Lanark and Carluke, and NW by Cambusnethan. Its greatest length, from N to W to S by E, is 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its breadth from E to W varies between 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ and 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 9899 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 78 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The CLYDE for 3 miles roughly traces all the southern boundary, and its affluent, Mouse Water, after following the Carnwath border for 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles, winds about 4 miles south-westward through the interior, and passes into Lanark. The surface is low and flat along the Clyde, sinking to 600 feet above sea-level; thence it rises northward to 773 feet at Lang Hill, 884 at Harelaw, 985 at Haminghead, 1029 beyond Birniehall, and 950 at Black Hill on the West Linton boundary, the centre being considerably diversified by a multitude of low roundish sand knolls, and the N being occupied by bleak, tame, moorish uplands. A tract in the S, including the fine demesne of Carstairs House, is highly ornate; and some other spots, particularly along the Mouse Water, have features of considerable beauty. The rocks, in some parts, belong to the Carboniferous formation; in others, are eruptive. Sandstone and limestone occur, but are not quarried; and very fine clay lies NW of Mouse Water, and is used for the manufacture of tiles. The soil of the low grounds in the S is richly alluvial; of the centre is sandy; and of the grounds in some hollows and in the N, is mossy or moorish. About 8250 acres are either regularly or occasionally in tillage, and some 400 are under wood. A Roman road traversed the S of the parish; a Roman camp has left vestiges on Corbiehall farm; and 'Coria,' here placed by Skene, seems to have been the chief seat of the Damnonii in the 2d century A.D., to judge from remains both native and Roman—urns, weapons, culinary utensils, and vestiges of a bath. Sir John Lockhart-Ross (1721-90), the distinguished admiral, was a native. Carstairs House, near the Clyde, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south-west of the junction, is a fine modern Gothic mansion; its owner, Joseph Monteith, Esq., holds 5581 acres in the shire, valued at £8963 per annum. Carstairs is in the presbytery of Lanark and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the

living is worth £310. The church, erected in 1794, has a spire and clock, and contains 430 sittings. Carstairs public, Caledonian Railway Company's, and St Joseph's R.C. schools, with respective accommodation for 191, 246, and 104 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 144, 147, and 55, and grants of £158, 8s., £153, 15s. 6d., and £54, 13s. 6d. Valuation £15,737, 6s. Pop. (1801) 899, (1831) 981, (1861) 1345, (1871) 1718, (1881) 1955, (1891) 1977.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 23, 1865.

Carstairs and Dolphinton Railway, a railway of E Lanarkshire, from the Edinburgh fork of the Caledonian railway in the vicinity of Carstairs Junction, 11 miles eastward to a junction with the Leadburn, Linton, and Dolphinton railway at Dolphinton. Formed by the Caledonian company, on a capital of £105,000 in shares and £35,000 in loans, it was opened in 1867.

Carstairs Junction. See CARSTAIRS.

Cart, a river of Renfrewshire, formed by the union of the Black Cart and the White Cart at Inchinnan Bridge, and running 7 furlongs northward, along the boundary between Renfrew and Inchinnan parishes, to the Clyde, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of Renfrew town. Its banks are low and wooded; and its mouth contains a wooded islet, said to have been formed by a sunken raft of timber. The Black Cart issues from Castle Sempole Loch in Lochwinnoch parish; runs about 9 miles north-eastward past Johnstone and Linwood; and receives the Gryfe from the W at Walkinshaw. Its valley, from head to foot, has nowhere an elevation of 100 feet above sea-level; and its current is dark and sluggish.—The White Cart, rising in the moors of Eaglesham, near the meeting-point of Renfrew, Lanark, and Ayr shires, runs 9 miles northward, partly in Eaglesham, partly on the boundary between Renfrew and Lanark shires, partly in Cathcart; then turns 7 miles westward, past Pollokshaws and Crookston Castle, to Paisley, receiving the Levern from the S near Crookston Castle; and again runs 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward, through Abbey and Renfrew parishes, to its confluence with the Black Cart. Its upper and middle reaches, particularly in Cathcart parish, and thence to the neighbourhood of Paisley, exhibit beautiful scenery, sung by Burns, Campbell, Tannahill, and Graham; and its waters drive a vast amount of machinery, particularly at Pollokshaws and Paisley. Once everywhere a noble angling water for trout, perch, and braise, the Cart, both in its main body and in much of its upper streams, has been foully polluted by the discharges of public works. Its navigable communication from the Clyde to Paisley was naturally obstructed by shallows at Inchinnan Bridge; but the Paisley authorities are deepening the channel here, in order to increase the trade of their port. A navigation, continuous with it, from the Clyde opposite its mouth to the Forth and Clyde Canal, was artificially formed in 1840; bears the name of the Cart and Forth Junction Canal; and is about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 22, 30, 1865-66.

Cartar Fell, a summit of the Cheviots, on the English Border, in Southdean parish, Roxburghshire, 11 miles S by E of Jedburgh town. Rising to an altitude of 1815 feet above sea-level, it divides the head-streams of the river Jed from those of the English Tyne. On its eastern shoulder is a depression called Carter Bar; and here it is traversed by the road from Jedburgh to Newcastle.

Cartarhaugh, a wooded peninsula in Selkirk parish, Selkirkshire, at the confluence of Etrick and Yarrow Waters, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW by W of Selkirk town. Here is laid the scene of the fairy ballad of *Tamlane*.

Cartland, a village and a stupendous chasm in Lanark parish, Lanarkshire. The village stands near the chasm, 2 miles NW of Lanark town, and has a public school. The chasm, Cartland Craggs, curving fully $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from ENE to WSW, is traversed along the bottom by Mouse Water, under deep gloom, among fallen blocks; and would seem to be a rent, caused by a vertical earthquake, through a tabular hill. It is flanked by lofty cliffs of greywacke and Old Red sandstone, intersected by a vein of trap, which, with trees starting out of

them, high and low, overhanging the muddy stream, or shooting up towards the sky, rise on one side to a height of more than 200 feet, on the other side of about 400, and exhibit an exact correspondence of their confronting crags, face to face, and part to part. A meeting-place of the persecuted Covenanters for public worship, it is graphically described, in connection therewith, by Professor Wilson. A curious ancient bridge, supposed to be Roman, with one semicircular arch and a narrow roadway, bestrides Mouse Water at the lower end of the crags; and a handsome bridge, with three semicircular arches, 129 feet high, was built in 1823 after designs by Telford, a short way higher up. In the N cliff, a few yards above this bridge, is 'Wallace's Cave,' said to have hidden the hero just after his vengeance on Hazelrig, the English sheriff; whilst a spot further up, on the brink of the precipice, called Castle Qua, shows traces of ancient fortification, had subterranean chambers formed in the Caledonian times, and possibly was held by Wallace at the time of his attack on Lanark. A depression on the S flank, at the upper end of the chasm, is believed to have been part of the Mouse's channel, conveying the stream by way of the site of Baronald House, before the occurrence of the earthquake shock. See pp. 41, 42, of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (ed. by Princ. Shairp, 1874).

Cartley Hole. See ABBOTSFORD.

Cartnaval. See GARTNAVEL.

Cartsburn. See GREENOCK.

Cartsdyke. See GREENOCK.

Carty, a harbour in Penninghame parish, Wigtownshire, on the river Cree, at the boundary with Kirkcudbrightshire, 2½ miles SSE of Newton-Stewart. It has commonly about 12 feet of water at spring tides, and is regularly frequented by vessels of from 35 to 40 tons burden.

Carvie Water, a burn in the lower part of Strathdon parish, Aberdeenshire, running 3¼ miles northward to the Don.

Carwinning, a hill (652 feet) in the parish and 2½ miles N by W of the town of Dalry, N Ayrshire. Vestiges of an ancient fort are on it, formed of three concentric circular walls, and covering 2 acres.

Carwood House. See BIGGAR.

Cash-Fens, a southern suburb of Strathmiglo town, in Strathmiglo parish, Fife.

Caskieben, an estate, with a small old mansion, in Dyce parish, SE Aberdeenshire, ¼ mile NE of Blackburn. In August 1880 it was purchased for £37,000 by Mr Louis Miller, of Balloch, Crief.

Cassencarrie, a mansion in Kirkmabreck parish, SW Kirkcudbrightshire, ½ mile S of Creetown. An old building with a tower, it stands finely in a level holm—the Cree in front, and Larg Hill (969 feet) to the rear. Its late owner, Sir Jas. Caird, K.C.B., F.R.S. (d. 1892), the agricultural reformer, held 2036 acres in the shire, valued at £1297 per annum.

Cassillis House, a noble mansion, romantically situated on the left bank of the winding Doon, and on the NW verge of Kirkmichael parish, Ayrshire, 4 miles NE of Maybole, and 1 mile E by S of Cassillis station, this being 6½ miles S of Ayr. The body of it seems to belong to the middle of the 15th century, and a fine addition was made in 1830; around it are many magnificent trees—an ash, 95 feet high and 24½ in circumference, with the 'dool' and two other sycamores, which, 67, 77, and 85 feet high, girth 18½, 19½, and 17 feet at 1 foot from the ground. In the reign of David II. (1329-71) the lands of 'Castlys' came to Sir John Kennedy by his wife, Marjory de Montgomery; and Cassillis now is one of the seats of Archibald Kennedy, Marquis of AILSA, who also is fourteenth Earl of Cassillis, the earldom having been granted to David, third Lord Kennedy, in 1509. In 1537, Buchanan, tutor to the third Earl, Gilbert, here wrote his *Somnium*, a bitter satire against the Franciscan friars. Gilbert, fourth Earl, the so-called 'King of Carrick,' is infamous for his cruelty to the commendator of CROSSRAGUEL; as is John, his successor, for the part that he played in the Auchendrane

Tragedy. But of Cassillis' memories none is so celebrated as that enshrined in the ballad of *Johanne Faa*. It tells how the Gipsies came to Lord Cassillis' gate, and oh! but they sang bonnie; how the lady, with all her maids, tripped down the stair, and, yielding to glamour, followed the Gipsy laddie; how her lord, coming home at even, pursued the fugitives; and how—

'They were fifteen well-made men,
Black but very bonnie;
And they all lost their lives for ane,
'The Earl of Cassillis' Lady.'

In his *History of the Gipsies* (2d ed., New York, 1878), Mr Simson accepts the theory which makes this countess the lady of the 'grave and solemn' sixth earl, Lady Jean Hamilton, daughter of Thomas, first Earl of Haddington; her lover, one Sir John Faa or Fall of Dunbar; and the date of the episode, 1643. But Mr Jas. Paterson overthrows that theory in his *History of Ayrshire* (1858), showing that Lady Jean died in 1642, and was tenderly mourned by the widowed earl. If the story have any historic groundwork, it should rather be referred to the former half of the sixteenth century—to the days when James V. granted letters under the Great Seal to 'our leuit Johnne Faw, Lord and Erle of Litill Egypt.' At least, the Dool Tree remains, on which the Gipsies were hanged; not a half mile off are the 'Gipsies' Steps,' where the Earl came up with his betrayer. See also CULZEAN, *Scots Mag.* for 1817, *Historie of the Kennedyis*, edited by R. Pitcairn (1830), and works cited in *Dict. of Nat. Biog.* (vol. xxx., p. 426, 1892).

Cassley, a small river of Creich parish, S Sutherland. It issues from Gorm Loch Mor, 846 feet above sea-level, and 2½ miles N of Ben More Assynt, and thence runs 20½ miles south-eastward, falling into the Oikell in the vicinity of Rosehall, 8 miles WSW of Lairg, at less than 50 feet above the level of the sea. Its trout fishing is not very good, and salmon cannot ascend beyond the Glenmuick Falls—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 108, 102, 1880-81.

Castle, a hamlet in the parish and ¼ mile SE of the village of New Cumnock, E Ayrshire.

Castle, a hamlet in the E of Campsie parish, Stirlingshire, near Milton.

Castle, a small bay in Portpatrick parish, Wigtownshire, at the mouth of Craigoch burn, adjacent to Dunskey Castle, 5 furlongs SSE of Portpatrick town.

Castle or Kismull, a hamlet and a little bay at the S end of Barra island, adjacent to the small old baronial residence of the lairds of Barra, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire.

Castlebank, an estate, with a mansion, on the right bank of the Clyde, in the parish and ¼ mile SW of the town of Lanark.

Castle Campbell, a ruined feudal fortalice in Dollar parish Clackmannanshire, 1 mile N of Dollar town, by a pleasant pathway, formed in 1865. It crowns a round insulated mound, which seems to have been partly formed by the hand of Nature, and partly finished by art. W and E are deep wooded ravines, down which run streams, the Burns of Sorrow and Care, that unite just below and form a considerable brook. The mound on the Dollar side is nearly perpendicular, and from the loftier wooded hills behind was formerly disjoined by a ditch, passing down to the bottom of the glen on either side, which rendered the castle inaccessible except by means of a drawbridge, so that it was a place of very great strength. Of unknown antiquity, it formerly was called the Gloume or Castle-Gloom; but passing in 1493 to the Earls of Argyll, it changed its name to Castle-Campbell. In 1645 it was taken and burned by the Marquis of Montrose; and the chief part standing now is the keep, which contains a barrel-vaulted hall, and whose top is gained by a spiral staircase and commands a wide and very noble view. John Knox, in 1556, residing in the castle with the fourth Earl of Argyll, preached and dispensed the Lord's Supper on a green-sward sloping from the castle's base to the brink of the neighbouring precipice; and in the hill side is a curious narrow chasm, called Kemp's Score, after a noted free-

Looter. The estate of HARVIESTOWN, on which Castle-Campbell stands, was purchased from the Taits in 1859 by the late Sir Andrew Orr. See Billings' *Baronial Antiquities*.

Castleary, a hamlet near the W border of Falkirk parish, SE Stirlingshire, on the left bank of the Red Burn, and on the Forth and Clyde Canal, the Edinburgh and Glasgow section of the North British railway, and the Gartsherrie and Greenhead section of the Caledonian, 2½ miles NE of Cumbernauld, and 6½ W by S of Falkirk. One of the principal stations on Antoninus' Wall was here, and was connected by an *iter* with the S. What with the ploughshare, and what with builders in quest of stones for their dykes, it now is wholly effaced; but many Roman antiquities have been found on and near its site—urns, coins, weapons, altars, etc. Castleary Castle is an old square tower, 40 feet high, with walls of 5 feet thickness, a spiral staircase, secret passages, and an eastern addition bearing date 1679. Burned by a party of Highlanders in the '15, it is now the property of the Earl of Zetland, and is kept in tolerable repair. At the top of its garden is a noble well, girthing 8½ feet at 1 yard from the ground. The Red Burn's glen to the W, a rich field for the botanist, here forms the boundary between Dumbarton and Stirling shires, and is crossed by a splendid eight-arched viaduct of the Edinburgh and Glasgow railway. Castleary station on that railway is just beyond; in the winter of 1872-73 it was very severely damaged by a singular subsidence, due to great mining excavations for limestone. See pp. 72-76 of *Proceedings of the Alloa Society* (1875).

Castle Clanyard, a ruined tower in Kirkmaiden parish, SW Wigtownshire, ½ mile ESE of Clanyard Bay and 1½ WNW of Kirkmaiden church. It belonged to a branch of the Gordons of Kenmure, and must once have been a splendid residence.

Castlecluggy, a ruined fortalice in Monzievaird and Stronaw parish, Perthshire, on a peninsula at the N end of Monzievaird Loch. Long defended by a fosse with a drawbridge, it seems to have been very strong and of considerable extent, but is now represented by only a low square tower, with walls 5 or 6 feet thick and as hard as iron. According to Rymer's *Fœdera*, Malise, Earl of Strathern, was here besieged about 1306 by Robert Bruce.

Castle-Coeffin, an ancient fortalice in Appin, Argyllshire, on a small peninsula of Loch Linnhe, opposite Castle-Mearnaig. Said to have been built, for purposes of defence, by a Danish prince of the name of Coeffin, it seems from its architecture coeval with Castle-Shinna, but now consists of nothing more than broken ivy-clad walls.

Castle-Cole, an ancient fortalice in Clyne parish, SE Sutherland, on the E side of the Black Water, 1¾ mile above that river's junction with the Brora. One of the structures once so common in the N of Scotland, and known as Pictish towers, it has an oblong form, with unmeasured walls 11 feet thick, and with a doorway 5 feet high and 3 wide; within the walls it measured 22 feet in length; but it now is reduced to merely the lower part of the S and E walls, about 12 feet high. It was formerly surrounded with a defensive wall, 6 feet from its exterior, and with a line of watch-towers onward to the coast; and it must, in the times before the invention of gunpowder, have been impregnable.

CastleCraig, a ruined ancient residence in the W end of Kirkmichael parish, Ross-shire, on the brow of a precipice, overhanging Cromarty Firth. It is said to have been erected by the Urquharts, Barons of Cromarty; and it was long the principal residence of the Bishops of Ross. It originally consisted of only a tower, but from time to time received extensive additions; and it was once surrounded by a defensive wall, 12 or 13 feet high. Now it is reduced to merely one tower or single wing, probably the original keep, 50 feet high from the ground to the top of the chimney.

CastleCraig, a fortalice in Nigg parish, Ross-shire, on the top of a rock fronting Cromarty. Said to have been built by William the Lyon for the suppression of robbers,

it is now so nearly obliterated that only the foundations are traceable; but it still gives name to the farm surrounding it.

Castle Craig, an estate, with a modern mansion, in the N of Kirkurd parish, W Peeblesshire, near the right bank of Tarth Water, 6 miles SE of Dolphinton station. Its owner, Sir Thomas David Gibson-Carmichael of Skirling, fourteenth Bart. since 1628 (b. 1859; suc. 1891), holds 8756 acres in Peebleshire and 732 in Edinburghshire, valued respectively at £5796 and £4624 per annum.

CastleCraig or Castlegregg. See CALDER, MID.

Castle-Craignish. See CRAIGNISH.

Castle-Dangerous (of Sir Walter Scott). See DOUGLAS CASTLE.

Castle-Donnan, a fine old ruined castle in Kintail parish, SW Ross-shire, in the immediate vicinity of Dornie village. Given by Alexander III., after the battle of Largs, to Colin Fitzgerald, it has long been in a state of ruin.

Castle-Douglas, a town in the N of Kelton parish, Kirkcudbrightshire. Prettily situated at the N end of CARLINWARK Loch, with a background of low rounded hills, it is the junction of three lines of railway—to Dumfries (opened 1860), Portpatrick (1861), and Kirkcudbright (1864)—being 19½ miles SW of Dumfries, 61 E by N of Portpatrick, 10½ NNE of Kirkcudbright, 113½ SW by S of Edinburgh, and 111½ S by E of Glasgow. Till 1765 it was but the tiny hamlet of Causewayend, and its growth to the thriving village of Carlinwark was due to the famous marl-pits of the loch; in 1792, becoming the property of Sir William Douglas of Gelston, it was re-named by him Castle-Douglas, and was erected into a burgh of barony. Under an extended charter (1829), it elects triennially a provost, two bailies, and 7 councillors, the magistrates and councillors acting also as police commissioners; sheriff small debt courts sit in January, April, June, and September, and justice of peace courts on the first Monday of every month. An important market is held on Monday, and the following are the fairs throughout the year:—horses and hiring, 11 Feb. if Monday, otherwise on Monday after; hiring, 23 March, if Monday, etc.; hoggets, Monday before 24 April; hiring, 26 May and 30 June, if Monday, if not, Monday after; lambs, Monday of August before Lockerbie; hiring, 23 Sept., if Monday, etc.; horses, Monday of November before Dumfries; and hiring, Monday after it. The town is laid out in regular squares, with a main, two back, and four cross streets; and it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Bank of Scotland, the British Linen Co., the National, the Union, and the Clydesdale banks, a savings bank, insurance agencies, hotels, a bowling green, a tannery, an iron-foundry, a farming implement works, a mineral water factory, and a Friday paper, the *Kirkcudbrightshire Advertiser* (1858). A new town-hall was built of red freestone in 1862 at a cost of £1300, and besides a large hall, capable of containing from 500 to 600 persons, it has a reading-room and library of the Mechanics' Institute; the old town-hall, with a clock-tower, is occupied now as a billiard-room. Since 1873 a *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Kirkcudbright and synod of Galloway, Castle-Douglas possesses six places of worship—the Established church (1868), a good Gothic edifice; King Street and Macmillan Free churches; a U.P. church (1870); St Ninian's Episcopal church; and St John's Roman Catholic (1867). Of the two Free churches, that in King Street is a recent erection, with a spire and a handsome stained E window; whilst Macmillan church is the former Reformed Presbyterian chapel, with the addition of a memorial spire. St Ninian's is a beautiful Early English structure, with tower and spire, completed and consecrated in 1874, but begun many years before; and St John's, too, has a spire 80 feet high. School B, at the head of Colton Street, was opened in 1877, shortly before which date School A, in Academy Street, was greatly enlarged. With respective accommodation for 300 and 185 children, these had (1891) an

average attendance of 237 and 183, and grants of £248, 13s. and £200, 3s. 6d. There is also a Roman Catholic school, with accommodation for 120. Pop. (1841) 1847, (1861) 2261, (1871) 2274, (1881) 2565, (1891) 2851; of g. s. parish, 2832.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 5, 1857. See chap. i. of Harper's *Rambles in Galloway*, and pp. 34-39 of Maxwell's *Steuartary of Kirkcudbright*.

Castle-Douglas and Dumfries Railway, a railway partly in Dumfriesshire but chiefly in Kirkcudbrightshire, from a junction with the Glasgow and South-Western in the vicinity of Dumfries station, 19½ miles south-westward to Castle-Douglas. It was authorised in 1856, on a capital of £120,000 in shares and £40,000 in loans; was opened 7 Nov. 1860; and was amalgamated with the Glasgow and South-Western 5 July 1865.

Castle-Drumin, a ruined baronial fortalice in Inver-aven parish, Banffshire, on the peninsula at the confluence of the rivers Aven and Livet. Nearly half of it has fallen, but the rest is tolerably entire, rises to a considerable height, and has great thickness of wall.

Castle-Duart. See DUART.

Castledykes, a picturesque spot in Dumfries parish, Dumfriesshire, overlooking a beautiful bend of the river Nith, ¾ mile SSE of Dumfries town. A castle of the Comyns stood on it, and figures in the history of the days of Bruce, but has completely disappeared.

Castle-Feather, an ancient fortification on the S coast of Whithorn parish, Wigtownshire, crowning an almost sheer precipice of over 100 feet, and enclosing nearly an acre of ground, 5 furlongs W by N of Borough Head.

Castleferm, a rivulet of Glencairn parish, W Dumfriesshire, rising on Troston Hill (1271 feet), close to the Kirkcudbrightshire border. Along that border and through the interior of Glencairn it flows 7 miles south-eastward and north-eastward, till, ½ mile S of Moniaive village, it unites with Craigdarroch and Dalwhat Waters to form the river CAIRN.

Castle-Forbes, a mansion in Keig parish, central Aberdeenshire, 3 miles N of Whitehouse station, this being 26½ WNW of Aberdeen. Standing on the left bank of the Don, on the finely-wooded slope of the SW base of BENNOCHIE, it is a good modern granite edifice, designed in the Scottish Baronial style by the late Archibald Simpson, Esq. Its owner, Horace-Courtenay Forbes, nineteenth Baron Forbes since 1442 (b. 1829; suc. 1868), is premier baron of Scotland, and twenty-third in direct descent from John de Forbes (fl. 1200); he holds in the shire 13,621 acres, valued at £5676 per annum.

Castle Fraser, a grand old mansion in Cluny parish, central Aberdeenshire, 3 miles ESE of Monymusk station. A six-storied quadrangular building, erected at different periods between 1454 and 1618, it has a square tower to the W, and a round one, 100 feet high, to the SE; and it is one of the finest specimens of Flemish architecture in Scotland. Its original name was Muchells, Muchal, or Muchil-in-Mar; and from 1633 to 1720 four Frasers of Muchells bore the title of Baron Fraser, the second being a zealous Covenanter, and the fourth as zealous a Jacobite. The latter was succeeded by his stepson, Charles Fraser, 'Old Inverallochie,' whose son and namesake, commanding the Frasers at Culloden, was brutally shot by order of the Duke of Cumberland; and whose present descendant, Fred. Mackenzie Fraser, Esq. (b. 1831; suc. 1871), holds 4247 acres in the shire, valued at £3697 per annum.

Castles Girmigoe and Sinclair, two neighbouring ruined fortalices on the coast of Wick parish, Caithness, crowning a rocky peninsula, a little W of Noss Head, and 3¼ miles NNE of Wick town. Built mainly at a time unknown to record, and partly in the 16th century, they were the chief strongholds of the Sinclairs, Earls of Caithness; and, of great extent and irregular structure, included an extant five-storied tower, 50 feet high. A room in Castle-Sinclair, said to have been the bedchamber of the Earls, communicated through a trap-door with the sea; and the whole was so strong, by both nature and art, as to be impregnable prior to the invention of

gunpowder. In a dark dungeon here, John Garrow, Master of Caithness, was imprisoned (1576-82) by his father, the fourth Earl, whom he had displeased by his lenity towards the townfolk of Dornoch. At last his keepers, having kept him for some time without food, gave him a large mess of salt beef, and then withholding all drink from him, left him to die of raging thirst. The singular episode of the coiner Smith (1612) and the capture of Girmigoe by Sir Rt. Gordon (1623) are recounted in vol. i., pp. 436, 532, of Chambers's *Domestic Annals* (1858).

Castle-Gloom. See CASTLE-CAMPBELL.

Castlegower. See BUTTLE.

Castle-Grant, a mansion in Cronedale parish, Elginshire, 2¼ miles W of the river Spey, and 2¼ NNE of Grantown. A plain old castellated edifice, consisting of a high quadrangular five-storied pile, with lower lateral wings, it underwent extensive repairs and improvements about 1836; it contains a superb dining-room, 47 feet by 27; and its extensive grounds are finely adorned with venerable trees, and command an imposing prospect, bounded on the sky-line by the Grampians. On 5 Sept. 1860, the Queen and Prince Consort drove *incognito* to Castle-Grant—'a fine (not Highland-looking) park, with a very plain-looking house, like a factory.' Castle-Grant is the ancestral seat of the Grants of Grant, of whom Sir Lewis Alex. Grant, Bart., succeeded in 1811 to the lands and earldom of Seafield. Caroline Stuart, countess-dowager of Seafield, is proprietrix, and holds in Moray 305,891 acres. In 1884 she erected a neat cottage hospital in memory of her son Ian Charles, the eighth Earl. See Sir William Fraser's *The Grants of Grant* (1883).

Castlehaven, the stronghold of Sir Neil Cunningham, on the coast of Crail parish, E Fife, which, falling into ruin, was demolished in 1839.

Castlehaven, a creek in Tarbat parish, NE Ross-shire, at the extreme point of the Tarbat peninsula. It is traditionally said to have anciently had a fort on an islet within it; and it gives the title of Baron to the Earl of Cromartie. It is accessible only to boats, and to these only at high water.

Castlehill. See CARLUKE and KIPFEN.

Castlehill, a post office hamlet in the parish and 3 miles E by S of the post-town of Inverness.

Castle-Huntly, an estate, with a noble old baronial mansion, in Longforgan parish, Perthshire. The mansion, 1¼ mile NNW of the Firth of Tay, and 7 miles W of Dundee, is situated on the summit of a high rock, which, on the SW side, rises sheer up from the dead level of the Carse of Gowrie, and on the E sinks gradually to the plain. It was built, under royal licence of 26 Aug. 1452, by Andrew, second Lord Gray of Foulis, and was named, according to a baseless tradition, after his lady, a daughter of the Earl of Huntly. In 1615 it was sold to Patrick Lyon, first Earl of Kinghorn; and, becoming the favourite residence of his grandson and namesake, the third Earl of Kinghorn and first of Strathmore (d. 1695), it was by him greatly improved, and re-named Castle-Lyon, whilst its estate was erected in 1672 by royal charter into a lordship called the lordship of Lyon. Passing by sale, in 1777, to Geo. Paterson, Esq., a son-in-law of the twelfth Lord Gray, it was restored by him to its original name, renovated without, and modernised within, enlarged with wings, battlements, round tower, and corner turrets, and altogether rendered one of the most remarkable combinations of old and modern masonry in the kingdom. The present proprietor, Geo. Frederick Paterson, Esq. (b. 1857; suc. 1867), holds 2001 acres in the shire, valued at £5321 per annum.

Castle-Island, a small island in Small Isles parish, Inverness-shire, near the SE side of the island of Eigg. It is inhabited only by persons tending cattle, and only during part of the summer months.

Castle-Island. See LEVEN, LOCH.

Castle-Kennedy, a hamlet, a lake, and a ruined ivy-mantled mansion in Ineh parish, Wigtownshire. The hamlet lies adjacent to the Dumfries and Portpatrick

railway, and to the southern extremity of the lake, 3 miles E by S of Stranraer, and has a station on the railway, which here forms a loop line, a post office, and a public school. The lake is cut so deeply by a peninsula, as sometimes to be reckoned rather two lakes than one, called Black and White Lochs, which extend parallel to each other, Black Loch having an utmost length and breadth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile and $2\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs, White Loch of $7\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs. Each contains an islet; and on the south-south-eastward peninsula between the two stands the ruined mansion, included now in the beautiful policies of LOCHINCH, a seat of the Earl of Stair. Built by John, fifth Earl of Cassillis in 1607, it passed about 1677, with the surrounding property, to Sir John Dalrymple, afterwards Viscount Stair. It was a stately square edifice, but, being accidentally destroyed by fire in 1716, it was never restored. The 'dressed grounds' were laid out by Field-Marshal Stair in the Dutch style of landscape gardening, and, after some forty years of neglect, have more than recovered their former beauty since 1841. See pp. 99-103 of Wm. Millwright's *Wigtownshire*.

Castle-Kilchurn. See KILCHURN.

Castle-Lachlan, an estate, with a mansion, in Strachur and Stralachlan parish, Argyllshire. The mansion, built about 1790, near the old ruinous tower of the chiefs of the MacLachlans, stands on the eastern shore of Loch Fyne, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Inverary by water; its owner, John MacLachlan, Esq. of Stralachlan Castle, holds 12,000 acres in the shire, valued at £2006 per annum.

Castle-Law, a hill in Gifford parish, Haddingtonshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSW of Gifford village. A northern spur of the Lammermuirs, it rises to an altitude of 921 feet above sea-level, and is crowned with an ancient circular camp, measuring 370 by 337 feet within the ramparts.

Castle-Law, a conical hill (1026 feet) in Forgandenny parish, SE Perthshire, 2 miles SSE of Forgandenny village. On it are vestiges of a Scandinavian fort, 500 feet in diameter; and it commands an extensive view.

Castle-Law, a summit of the Pentlands, in Glencross parish, Edinburghshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Penicuik. It has an altitude of 1595 feet above sea-level, and it shows distinct vestiges of an ancient camp.

Castle-Law, a rising ground in Linton parish, NW Peebleshire, adjacent to West Water, 5 furlongs SSW of Linton village. A cairn stood on it till about 1827, and yielded a stone coffin, which seemed to have contained the body of some very distinguished person.

Castle-Law, a hill (875 feet) on Venchen farm, Yetholm parish, NE Roxburghshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Kirk Yetholm. An ancient Caledonian camp on it has two ramparts and two fosses, and measures 200 yards in diameter.

Castle-Leod, a seat of the Earl of Cromartie (born in 1852; succeeded in 1888), in Fodderty parish, Ross-shire, 1 mile N of Strathpeffer. Built by Sir Roderick Mackenzie (d. 1625), it was a principal seat of his descendants, the Earls of Cromartie; is a bartizaned and turreted five-storied edifice, with walls, in many parts, from 7 to 8 feet thick; contains a hall or dining-room, 32 feet by 21, exclusive of recesses; and presents a venerable and imposing appearance, with its ancient trees, among them a Spanish chestnut, girthing 22 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet at 1 foot from the ground. See TARBAT HOUSE.

Castle-Loch, a lake in Lochmaben parish, Dumfriesshire, immediately SSE of Lochmaben town. In shape resembling a stone arrow-head, with apex pointing north-north-westward, it has an extreme length and breadth of $\frac{3}{4}$ mile and $5\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs, and, as seen from the NE with the Torthorwald hills on the sky-line, presents a picturesque appearance. Both the site of the original castle of the Bruces, and the scanty remains of the subsequent castle so famous in history, are near its shores, but will be noticed under LOCHMABEN. Its waters contain ten kinds of fish, including loch trout, pike, perch, roach, bream, chub, and vendace. The last of these, a shy, small Teleostean, of the Salmonidæ family, peculiar to this lake and to Mill Loch, has drawn great attention

both from naturalists and from epicures; and is preserved and caught in sweep-nets once a year—on the third Tuesday of July—by the Vendace Club.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 10, 1864.

Castle-Lyon. See BORROWSTOUNNESS and CASTLE-HUNTY.

Castle-Maol, a ruined, strong, square fortalice, on the N coast of Strath park, Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, contiguous to Kyle Akin village. It is said to have been built by the wife of a Macdonald, the daughter of a Norwegian king, for the purpose of exacting toll from all vessels passing through Kyle Akin strait.

Castle-Mearnaig or Castle-Glensanda, a ruined fortalice on the Kingerloch coast of Lismore and Appin parish, Argyllshire, crowning a conical rock, adjacent to Glensanda Hill, opposite Castle-Coeffin. The rock on which it stands is about 150 feet high, and 44 feet by 20 broad at the top. The castle occupies its entire summit; is an oblong building, 45 feet long, 20 wide, and 33 high; and seems to be less ancient, as it is more entire, than Castle-Coeffin.

Castle-Menzies, a mansion in Weem parish, Perth shire, in the valley of the Tay, on the southern slope of Weem Hill (1638 feet), $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of Aberfeldy. A large and splendid castellated edifice, it was built partly in 1571, partly in 1840, and has a spacious semicircular park, containing some of the finest trees in Scotland. Chief among them are the following, with height in feet and girth at 1 foot from the ground—2 oaks (73, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$; 80, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$), 4 beeches (95, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$; 85, 15 $\frac{1}{2}$; 80, 9 $\frac{1}{2}$; 90, 14 $\frac{1}{2}$), 3 sycamores (104 $\frac{1}{2}$, 25 $\frac{1}{2}$; 90, 32 $\frac{1}{2}$; 100, 18), 2 Spanish chestnuts (60, 26 $\frac{1}{2}$; 80, 19 $\frac{1}{2}$), and an ash (83, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$). See *Trans. Highl. and Ag. Soc.*, 1879-81. Castle-Menzies is a seat of Sir Rt. Menzies of that ilk, seventh Bart. since 1665 (b. 1817; suc. 1844), who owns 32,784 acres in the shire, valued at £8554 per annum.

Castlemilk, an estate, with a mansion, in St Mungo parish, Dumfriesshire, 3 miles SSE of Lockerbie. The estate, which gave name to the parish in the 12th and 13th centuries, went from the Bruces by marriage, first to the royal Stewarts, next to the Maxwells of Nithsdale; and, having passed by sale through many hands, is now the property of Sir Rt. Jardine, Bart. (b. 1826). M.P. for Dumfries 1868-74, and for Dumfriesshire 1880-92, who owns 7714 acres in the shire, valued at £8598 per annum. The mansion, on the left bank of Milk Water, is a stately edifice, rebuilt in 1866 on the site of a previous mansion of date 1796. The original castle was built by one of the Bruces, and is said to have been besieged by both the Protector Somerset and Oliver Cromwell.

Castlemilk. See CARMUNNOCK.

Castle-na-Coir, a ruined feudal fortalice in Creich parish, Sutherland, on a meadow above the mouth of Cassley Water.

Castle-Newe, a mansion in Strathdon parish, W Aberdeenshire, on the left bank of the Don, $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Rhynie. Partly dating from 1604, it is chiefly a handsome castellated edifice of 1831, with a central tower 85 feet high. Its owner, Sir Chs. S. Forbes, fifth Bart. since 1823 (b. 1867; suc. 1884), holds 29,238 acres in the shire, valued at £5992 per annum.

Castle-O'er, Castle-Over, or Castle-Overbie, a Roman camp in Eskdalemuir parish, NE Dumfriesshire. It was an upper station, communicating by a causeway with the camps of Middlebie and Netherbie; and was long identified with a camp on a hill-top on Yethyre farm, near the confluence of the Black and White Esks. That camp, however, is oval and apparently Saxon, though interesting enough for its well-preserved condition. The true Castle-O'er is at the confluence of the Rae Burn with the White Esk, about a mile above Eskdalemuir church; and comprises, in its present state, an area of $5\frac{1}{2}$ acres, including an enclosed and fortified space of 270 feet by 100, and distinctly retaining its vallum and fosse, the latter 20 feet wide and 5 feet deep.

Castle-Park, a village in the parish and 1 mile from the town of Auchterarder, Perthshire.

Castlephairn. See CASTLEFERN.

Castle-Rachal, a very ancient Scandinavian fortalice in Lismore and Appin parish, Argyllshire, on the NW side of Lismore island, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the north-eastern extremity. It is now a dilapidated ivy-clad ruin.

Castle Rainy. See TURNIFF.

Castle-Rankine, a rivulet of SE Stirlingshire. It rises on the W border of Denny parish near the S base of Darrach Hill; runs about $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles east-by-northward through Denny parish; and falls into the Carron near Dennybridge. It took its name from an ancient fortalice on its banks, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Denny town; it shares its name with a hamlet and a farm in the vicinity of the site of that old fortalice; it drains a basin rich in ironstone; and it supplies an extensive dye-work and a chemical work.

Castle-Row, a hamlet of SE Edinburghshire, near Gorebridge.

Castle-Roy. See ABERNETHY, Inverness-shire.

Castles, a place on the S side of Ulva island, Argyllshire. It shows an assemblage of basaltic columns resembling fortalices; and is pierced, in the face of a perpendicular rock 95 feet high, with a cavern 58 feet wide, 30 high, and 60 long, the entrance somewhat arched, and the sides and roof almost as regular as if they had been fashioned by art.

Castle-Semple, a lake and an estate in Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire. From the vicinity of Lochwinnoch town, the lake extends $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile north-eastward, whilst tapering to a point from an utmost breadth of 3 furlongs. Originally $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, and upwards of 1 mile in width, it was greatly curtailed by draining processes between 1680 and 1774, with the result of recovering from its bed upwards of 400 acres of rich land. It receives the CALDER at its head, and sends off Black CART Water from its foot; it lies in the long, wide valley which separates the heights of SE Renfrewshire and Cunninghame from the moorish uplands to the NW; and it is traversed, along most of its SE shore, by the Glasgow and South-Western railway. Its bosom is gemed with three small wooded islets; its shores are decked with park and lawn and trees; its flanks shelve upward, with rich embellishment of hamlet, mansion, and farmstead, to picturesque ranges of distant heights; and its waters contain pike, perch, braize, and a few shy lake-trout, whilst on their swim swans and teal and other waterfowl. The estate of Castle-Semple belonged to the noble family of Sempill from the 14th century till 1727, when it was sold to Colonel M'Dowall; in 1813 it was sold again to John Harvey, Esq.; and its present proprietor is James Widdrington Shand-Harvey, Esq., who owns 6500 acres in the shire, valued at £5562 per annum. Elliotston Tower, its original seat, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile E of the foot of the lake, was occupied by the Sempill family till about 1550, and, 45 feet long by 33 broad, still stands in a state of ruin. The next seat, Castleton or Castle-Semple, on the NW side of the lake, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of the foot, was built about the time of the abandonment of Elliotston Tower; appears to have been an edifice of great size, amid very beautiful grounds; and was demolished in 1735. The present Castle-Semple is an elegant edifice, rebuilt on the site of its predecessor, and standing amid a splendid park. A tower, called the Peel, was built, between 1547 and 1572, by the great Lord Sempill; stood on an islet, now forming part of the mainland, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E by S of Lochwinnoch town; had the form of an irregular pentagon, with a sharp end towards the head of the lake; and is now represented by some ruins. A collegiate church, for a provost, six chaplains, two boys, and a sacristan, was founded in 1504 by John, Lord Sempill, near the lake, in the vicinity of the site of Castle-Semple; measured $71\frac{1}{2}$ feet in length, $24\frac{1}{2}$ in breadth, and $15\frac{1}{2}$ in height; and included, at its E end, the burial-place of the Sempill family, afterwards the burial-place of the Harveys. A village and a chapel of St Bride also seem to have anciently stood near the foot of the NW side of the lake. A structure in imitation of a Chinese pagoda stands on Kenmure Hill, in the western part of the estate; was built, about the middle of last century, by

one of the M'Dowalls; and commands a fine view of the lake and the surrounding country.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Castle-Shuna, a ruined fortalice in Lismore and Appin parish, Argyllshire, on Shuna island, in Loch Linnhe, opposite Portnaeroish. It looks to be older, and is much less entire, than the neighbouring Castle-Stalker; but is said to have never been completed.

Castle-Sinelair. See CASTLE-GIENIGOE.

Castle-Spiritual, an ancient fort in Inverness parish, Inverness-shire, on the flat gravelly peninsula between the foot of Loch Ness and the head of Loch Dochfour, 6 miles SW of Inverness town. Its site, at no very distant period, was an island. The original building is thought to have been a crannog or lake-dwelling; either that building, or one succeeding it, is by some believed to have been a stronghold of the early Pictish kings, the place where St Columba visited King Brude nan Maelchon (505 A.D.); and a later building, vestiges of which remain, appears to have been a small baronial keep of the feudal times, and to have completely commanded the adjoining fords across the river Ness.

Castle Spynie. See SPYNE.

Castle-Stalker, a ruined old fortalice in Eriska, South Uist parish, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire. It presents a picturesque appearance, and serves as a landmark to mariners.

Castle-Stalker, an ancient square tower in Lismore and Appin parish, Argyllshire, on a rocky islet in Loch Linnhe, off the mouth of Appin Bay. Built by Duncan Stewart of Appin in the reign of James IV., who used it as a hunting-seat, it was re-roofed and re-floored in 1631, and comprises three stories, rising above a prison vault. Over the entrance-gate is a fine carving of the royal arms; and, save that it is now roofless, it still is tolerably entire.

Castle Stewart, a ruined ivy-clad square tower in Penninghame parish, E Wigtonshire, near the right bank of the Cree, 3 miles NNW of Newton-Stewart. It was built by Col. William Stewart, a soldier of fortune, in the 17th century.

Castle Stuart, a seat of the Earl of Moray in Petty parish, Inverness-shire, 6 miles NE of Inverness, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Dalcross station, and within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the Moray Firth. A fine specimen of the baronial architecture, it seems to have been erected about 1625, and was once designed for the family seat; but, having fallen into disrepair, it has long been kept in order only as a shooting-box. The Earl owns 7035 acres in the shire, valued at £5171 per annum.

Castle-Swin, a ruined fortalice in North Knapdale parish, Argyllshire, crowning a rock on the eastern shore of Loch Swin, 2 miles from its mouth. Traditionally said to have been built in the early part of the 11th century by Sweno, Prince of Denmark, it includes portions whose date must be very much later; it measures 105 feet in length and 35 feet in height; and its walls are 7 feet thick. It figured long and prominently in the wars which desolated the Western Mainland and the Hebrides; it afterwards was occupied as a royal fort, in the hereditary keeping of the Earls of Argyll; and it was besieged, captured, and burned by Montrose's lieutenant, Macdonald of Kolkitto.

Castle-Tirrim, a ruined fortalice in Moidart district, Inverness-shire, on a rock in Loch Moidart. One of Clanranald's strongholds, it is said to have been held for a time by Cromwellian troops; and it was burned in 1715. It measures 130 yards in circumference; occupies the entire area of a rock that at high water is completely insulated; is now reduced to vaulted chambers and lofty turreted exterior walls; and, viewed in connection with the surrounding scenery, presents an imposing appearance. See p. 640 of *Good Words* for 1874.

Castleton, an estate, with some vestiges of a mansion built in 1320 by William Lambertson, Archbishop of St Andrews, in Muehart parish, SE Perthshire.

Castleton, the capital of the Deeside Highlands, in the Braemar section of Crathie and Braemar parish, SW Aberdeenshire, 35 miles N of Blairgowrie, 30 NE of

Blair Athole, 32 ESE of Aviemore, and 17½ WSW of Ballater station, this being 43½ WSW of Aberdeen. Flanked by Mor Shron (2819 feet) and Carn nan Sghiat (2260), it stands, at 1110 feet above sea-level, on both sides of turbulent Clunie Water, which here, at 1 mile above its confluence with the Dee, is spanned by a substantial bridge, erected in 1863, in place of one built by General Wade, and which parts the village into Castleton proper to the E, and Auchindryne to the W. At it are Braemar post office under Aberdeen, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Union Bank, 2 fine hotels (the Fife Arms and the Invercauld Arms), a public library, and a meteorological observatory, whose instruments were a present from the Prince Consort. The Established church, built as a chapel of ease in 1834, and considerably enlarged and raised to *quoad sacra* status in 1879, is a cruciform Early English edifice, with a spire 112 feet high; other places of worship are the Free church, with graceful clock tower and spire, St Margaret's Episcopal church (1880), and St Andrew's Roman Catholic church (1839). There are a public school and two public halls, one in Castleton and one in Auchindryne. On the site of the Invercauld Arms Hotel the Earl of Mar upreared the standard of insurrection, 6 Sept. 1715, in support of the cause of the Old Pretender. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish of Braemar (1881) 861, (1891) 835.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 65, 1870. See also BRAEMAR, CRATHIE, and INVERCAULD.

Castleton, a village in Fowls-Wester parish, Perthshire, 5 miles NE of Crieff. It took its name from a castle, now extinct, of the Earls of Strathearn.

Castleton, a farm, containing remains of an ancient royal palace, in Fordoun parish, Kincardineshire, 4 miles NW of Laurencekirk. The palace was the place where John Balfour, in 1296, resigned his crown to Edward I. of England, and probably was destroyed before the close of the wars of the succession. It stood on a small ridge, at an elevation of about 70 feet above adjoining levels; was surrounded by a morass, which lay undrained till the early part of the present century; and commanded a view of the finest part of the Howe of Mearns. It appears to have been of a quadrangular form, and to have possessed considerable military strength; but now is represented only by foundations or substructions. The ancient town of Kincardine, once the capital of the county, now represented by a small decayed village, stood adjacent to the palace.

Castleton, Caithness. See CASTLETOWN.

Castleton, a large Liddesdale and Border parish of S Roxburghshire, containing in its lower division the village of Newcastle, which, standing on the right bank of Liddel Water, 320 feet above sea-level, has a station on the Waverley route (1862) of the North British railway, 24½ miles NNE of Carlisle, 8½ SSW of Riccarton Junction, 50½ NW of Hexham, 71 WNW of Newcastle-on-Tyne, 21½ S by W of Hawick, and 74 SSE of Edinburgh. Commenced by Henry, third Duke of Buccleuch, in 1793, this is a neatly-built place with two long streets, and three divergent squares; at it are a post office with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch bank of the British Linen Co., a library, a mechanics' hall, a Free church (250 sittings), a U.P. church (600 sittings), an Evangelical Union church (138 sittings), and a public school, which, with accommodation for 288 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 163, and a grant of £171, 18s. A few of the inhabitants are employed by the cotton manufacturers of Carlisle. Hiring fairs are held on the second Friday of April and the Fridays before 17 May and 8 Nov.; ewe fairs on the Friday before the second Wednesday of Sept.; and cattle fairs on the third Friday of Nov. Pop. (1861) 1124, (1871) 886, (1881) 924, (1891) 820.

The parish contains also the stations of Steele Road (4½ miles NNE of Newcastle), Riccarton Junction (3½ NNE of Steele Road), and Saughtree (2½ E by N of Riccarton). It is bounded N by Teviothead, Cavers, Hobkirk, and Southdean; SE by Northumberland and Cumberland; and W by Canonbie and Ewes in Dum-

frieshire. In shape resembling a rude triangle with apex to the SSW, it has an utmost length, from Wigg Law near Knot i' the Gait to Liddelbank, of 17 miles; an utmost breadth, from E to W, of 12 miles; and an area of 68,152½ acres, of which 294 are water. LIDDEL Water, formed in the NE of the parish by the confluent Caddronn, Wormsleuch, and Peel Burns, at an altitude of about 600 feet above sea-level, flows 15½ miles SW and S by W through the interior, then 3½ miles SSW along the English Border. Higher up, the Border is traced for 8½ miles by Kershope Burn, running SW to the Liddel, whose other chief affluent, hazel-fringed Hermitage Water, gathering its head-streams from the NW corner of the parish, winds 8 miles ESE and S by W to a point 1½ mile NNE of Newcastle. In the farthest S the surface sinks to less than 300 feet above sea-level, thence rising NNE and NNW to the lines of mountain watershed dividing Liddesdale from Teviothead and Eskdale. E of the Liddel the chief elevations from S to N are Blinkbonny Height (864 feet), Priest Hill (669), Stell Knowe (923), Wilson's Pike (1354), Larriston Fells (1677), *Thorlieshope Pike (1180), *Peel Fell (1964), and *Hartshorn Pike (1789), of which those marked with asterisks culminate on the parish boundaries. Between the Liddel and Hermitage Water, with its affluent Whit-terhope Burn, are Arnton Fell (1464), Saughtree Fell (1500), and Lamblair Hill (1635); whilst W of them rise Greena Hill (730), Timnis Hill (1326), Ettleton Hill (922), Bedda Hill (842), *Black Edge (1461), *Watch Hill (1642), North Birny Fell (902), *Roan Fell (1862), Din Fell (1735), Hermitage Hill (1821), *Tudhope Hill (1961), *Cauldcleuch Head (1996), and *Greatmoor Hill (1964). The rocks are variously eruptive, Devonian, Silurian, and carboniferous. Sandstone of excellent building quality is plentiful, as also is limestone of different kinds; and coal has been found on Liddelbank estate. Mineral springs are at Thorlieshope, Lawston, Flatt, and Dead Water; and a petrifying spring, in a moss traversed by Tweeden Burn, exhibits in a curious manner the stages of petrification—the moss at the surface soft and flourishing, half petrified lower down, and at the roots changed into solid stone. The soils over much of the two chief vales is a deep and fertile loam, and elsewhere is often better than it looks. Many hundred acres, once in tillage, were thrown into pasture on account of the high prices of sheep and wool; but, on the other hand, as many or more, theretofore untouched by the plough, have recently been brought under tillage, and in some cases have yielded as much as 60 imperial bushels of corn per acre. And still, according to the opinion of Mr Brackenridge, of Yorkshire, expressed to a committee of the House of Commons in 1862, some 35,000 acres of the pastoral area could, at little cost, be rendered fit for any agricultural purpose whatever. Such are the general features of Dandie Dinmont's country, which Scott has described so finely in *Guy Mannering*:—'The hills are greener and more abrupt than those of Cumberland, sinking their grassy sides at once upon the river. They have no pretensions to magnificence of height or to romantic shapes, nor do their smooth swelling slopes exhibit either rocks or woods. Yet the view is wild, solitary, and pleasingly rural; it seems a land which a patriarch would have chosen to feed his flocks and herds. The remains of here and there a dismantled ruined tower show that it once harboured beings of a very different description from its present inhabitants, those freebooters, namely, to whose exploits the wars between England and Scotland bear witness.' Elliotts and Armstrongs these—the 'sturdy Armstrongs, who were for ever riding.' The latter held the wide haughs and gently-rolling hills of Lower Liddesdale; the former, the bleak and more mountainous uplands, vapourous with mists from the Atlantic. The Elliotts alone had from thirty to forty peels on the banks of the Liddel and the Hermitage; but all, except HERMITAGE Castle, were razed to the ground immediately after the union of the crowns. Yet are the names remembered, the sites still pointed out, of Mangerton, Westurnflatt, Liddel, Clintwood, Baholm, Larriston, Riccarton, Thorlieshope,

and many another reiver's fortalice. And still we have such Liddesdale ballads as *Dick o' the Cow, Hobbie Noble, Jamie Telfer of the Fair Dothead, or Jock o' the Side*; such Liddesdale traditions as that of the Brownie of Goranberry, of Shellycoat and the Kelpie, of the foul murder of the 'Cout of Keelbar' in the bannan linn, or of the boiling of the warlock Sonlis on the Nine-stane Rig; such episodes of Liddesdale history as the starving to death of Sir Alexander Ramsay (1342), as Queen Mary's mad ride from Jedburgh to Hermitage Castle, where Bothwell lay wounded by 'little Jock Elliot' (1566), or as the Regent Morton's raid 'to make the rush-bush keep the Border key' (1569). So that something remains of the past, for all the changes that have swept over Liddesdale since Scott's first coming in 1792. Then there were no roads, nor inns of any kind; his was the first wheeled vehicle seen here, on occasion of his seventh and last visit, in 1798. Now the Border Counties railway (1862) cuts through part of the CATRALT, one of the few antiquities surviving. Others are camps, both round and square, on the tops of the hills; circular forts of the kind called Round-about or Picts' Works; the 'Druidical circle' of the Nine-stane Rig; and Milnholm Cross, 8½ feet high, which marks the burial-place of an Armstrong murdered by Douglas, the 'Flower of Chivalry.' There were no fewer than five churches or chapels in the parish—Hermitage, the Whele, Ettleton, Dinlabyre, and Chapelknowe. Of these the Whele, supposed to have been the chief, stood at Liddelhead, near Dead Water and close to a Roman road, the Whele Causey, from which the church got its name; here Edward I. obtained a night's lodging when on a pilgrimage to St Ninian's shrine in Galloway. In 1604, 'being destitute of all instruction and bringing up in the fear of God, the kirks of Castleton, Ettleton, and Quhelekirk and Belkirk, were united and annexed in one perpetual rectory or parsonage or vicarage of Castleton.' Thus much for the Castleton of bygone days. At present there are 13 landed proprietors, 6 holding each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 3 of between £100 and £500, 1 of from £50 to £100, and 3 of from £20 to £50. The parish is in the presbytery of Langholm, and synod of Dumfries, the living being worth £399. Its church, at the confluence of Liddel and Hermitage Waters, was built in 1808, and contains 820 sittings; in the graveyard is buried John Armstrong, M.D. (1709-79), a native of Castleton, and author of a didactic poem, *The Art of Preserving Health*. Four public schools—Burnmonth, Hermitage, Riccarton, and Sanghtree—with respective accommodation for 55, 75, 87, and 59 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 37, 39, 35, and 57, and grants of £52, 10s., £54, 5s., £46, 10s., and £64, 17s. 6d. Valuation £30,505, 19s. 7d., including £9203 for railways. Pop. (1801) 1109, (1831) 2227, (1861) 3688, many of them navvies, (1871) 2202, (1881) 2256, (1891) 2023.—*Ordn. Surv.*, shs. 11, 17, 1863-64. See Scott's *Minstrelsy of the Scottish Border*; Dr. William Chambers's 'Look into Liddesdale,' in *Sketches Light and Descriptive*; and the Countess of Minto's *Border Sketches*.

Castleton of Braemar. See CASTLETON.

Castle-Toward, a fine Gothic mansion in the S of Dunoon parish, Cowal, Argyllshire, at the eastern entrance of the Kyles of Bute, 1½ mile W by N of Toward Point, and 2½ miles NE of Rothesay. Backed by the wooded slopes of Toward Hill (1131 feet), it was built in 1821, near the ruined castle of the Lamonts, Lords of Cowal, and once one of the most powerful families in the west of Scotland. At the old castle Queen Mary once dined, but it was burned in 1646, on occasion of the murder of the Lamonts at DUNNOON. The owner of Castle-Toward, C. Campbell Finlay, Esq., holds 6758 acres in the shire, valued at £2867 per annum.

Castletown, a village in Olgie parish, Caithness, at the southern corner of Dunnet Bay, 5 miles E by S of Thurso, with which and with Wick it communicates daily by coach. A neat little place, it owes its origin

* Carby or Caerby Hill, to the S of the village, where there is a strong native camp, 100 feet in diameter, with a Roman station opposite, is by Skene identified with 'Curia,' a town of the Otadenti.

to the Great Caithness flag quarry (rental £1715) between it and the lochs; at it are a post office under Thurso, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the Commercial and Town and County Banks, a hotel, a library and reading room, a harbour, Olgie parish church (1811), a Free church, a United Original Secession church, and a public school, Pop. (1841) 477, (1861) 758, (1871) 911, (1881) 932, (1891) 979.—*Ordn. Surv.*, sh. 116, 1878.

Castle-Urquhart. See URQUHART, Inverness-shire.

Castle-Varrich. See TOSQUIHART.

Castlewalls, an eminence (700 feet) near the E bank of Lochwinnoch parish, Renfrewshire, 3 miles SSW of Johnstone. Consisting of trap rock, precipitous on the E and W, sloping on the N and S, it has an ancient circumvallation, supposed to be remains of a camp formed by Sir William Wallace, but more probably remains of a Caledonian fort; and it commands a splendid view over Cunningham and the Firth of Clyde, to Arran and Ailsa Craig.

Castle Wemyss, a mansion in Inverkip parish, W Renfrewshire, near Wemyss Point on the Firth of Clyde, 1½ mile NNW of Wemyss Bay. It is the residence of Sir John Burns, Bart. (b. 1829; suc. 1890).

Castlewigg, an estate, with a mansion, in Whithorn parish, SE Wigtonshire. The mansion, standing 2½ miles NW of Whithorn town in a finely wooded park, was built about the beginning of this century; its owners, the trustees of the late Col. Jn. Fletcher, hold 358·2 acres in the shire, valued at £5169 per annum.

Castramout, a mansion in Girthorn parish, Kirkcubrightshire, on the left bank of the Fleet, 3 miles N by W of Gatehouse. It stands, embosomed by trees, at the western base of conical Doon Hill, which took its name from a native fort on its summit, as that of Castramout is derived from a Roman camp at its foot.

Catacol, a fishing hamlet on the NW coast of Arran, Bute-shire, at the mouth of Glen Catacol, 1½ mile SW of Loch Ranza. A battle, according to fable, is said to have been fought on its site between Fingal and his enemies; and a small green mound, on the neighbouring beach, is the reputed grave of Arin, the sea-king, whom Fingal slew.

Catcune. See BORTHWICK.

Caterline, an ancient parish and a modern fishing village on the coast of Kincardineshire. The parish, united to Kinnell before the Reformation, now forms the northern portion of that parish. The village stands 5 miles S of Stonehaven; has St Philip's Episcopal church (1848), Early English style, and a pier; and carries on some trifling commerce in the import of lime and coals.

Caterthun, White and Brown, two hills in the N of Menmuir parish, Forfarshire, 5½ miles NW of Brechin. White Caterthun (976 feet) is so steep that its top can be gained only from one side; and, as seen from a distance, resembles the frustum of a cone. An oval Caledonian fort on it, measuring 436 feet by 200 feet, consists of loose stones round the crest of the hill, with a deep outer ditch; includes near its E side remains of a rectangular building; and was defended, 200 feet lower down, by another double entrenchment. Brown Caterthun (945 feet), ¾ mile to the NE, has also a Caledonian fort, consisting of several concentric circles, but inferior in strength to the first; it takes its designation 'Brown' from the colour of the turf ramparts, whilst its neighbour was named from its rings of white stone. See vol. i., pp. 84, 85, of Hill Burton's *History of Scotland*.

Catgill, a hamlet in Half Morton parish, SE Dumfriesshire, close to Chapelknowe.

Cathcart (Celt. *caer-cart*, 'Cart castle'), two villages of NW Renfrewshire, and a parish formerly partly also in Lanarkshire. The villages, Old and New Cathcart, stand some distance asunder, near the White Cart Water, 2 miles S of Glasgow, on the Cathcart District Circular railway. There are many handsome houses and villas, a post office, a foundry, a dye-work, a paper-mill, a snuff factory, a photographic material manufactory, a cemetery, and the Couper Institute. Pop. of Old Cathcart (1891) 2511; of New Cathcart, 776.

The former Lanarkshire portion of the parish was divided in two, one being a detached part of it, and the other forming part of its main portion. The Boundary Commissioners in 1891 transferred the detached part to the parish of East Kilbride, thus remaining in Lanarkshire, while the remainder of the parish of Cathcart was placed wholly in the county of Renfrew. As this, however, caused the boundary between the two counties to run along the centre of a road, that part of it (see CARMUNNOCK) which had been divided between the parishes of Cathcart and Carmunnock was placed wholly in the parish of Cathcart. Then, in 1892, the Commissioners transferred from the parish Crosshill, Mount Florida, Langside, and Crossmyloof to Lanarkshire, these places having been incorporated in the extended City of Glasgow. The surface is charmingly undulated. The White CART winds through all the parish. Of it the late John Ramsay wrote:—"Sluggish and unadorned though the White Cart be in the lower part of its course, it exhibits much beauty in its progress through the parish of Cathcart, the banks being often elevated and clothed with a rich drapery of wood. Such is the warmth and shelter in some of the sequestered spots on its banks, that an almost perpetual verdure is to be found. In the midst of this scenery, Thomas Campbell and James Graham* were, in their childhood, accustomed to pass their summer months and feed their young fancies, removed from the smoke and noise of their native city. The latter, in his *Birds of Scotland*, says—

"Forth from my low-roofed home I wandered blithe,
Down to thy side, sweet Cart, where, 'cross the stream,
A range of stones, below a shallow ford,
Stood in the place of the now spanning arch."

And Campbell, in his *Lines on Re-visiting Cathcart*, thus tenderly apostrophises the pleasant fields which he had so often traversed in "life's morning march," when his bosom was young—

"O scenes of my childhood, and dear to my heart,
Ye green waving woods on the margin of Cart,
How blest in the morning of life I have stray'd
By the stream of the vale and the grass-cover'd glade."

The rocks are chiefly of the Carboniferous formation. Sandstone of excellent quality is largely quarried; limestone and coal were formerly worked; ironstone abounds; and various rare minerals, now in the Hunterian Museum of Glasgow University, were found in the channel of the Cart. The soils are various, but generally fertile; about 100 acres are under wood. A ruined village, comprising 42 houses, each of one apartment from 8 to 12 feet square, and all deeply buried beneath rubbish or soil, was discovered in the early part of the present century on Overlee farm; and on Newlands farm, small earthen pots, full of foreign silver coins of the 17th century, have, from time to time, been exhumed. The field of Langside, where in 1568 Queen Mary's last blow was struck, is a chief object of interest, but will be separately noticed. Cathcart Barony either gave name to the ancient family of Cathcart, or from it took its name. That family acquired the barony in the early part of the 12th century, and assumed therefrom the title of Baron about 1447; then having alienated the barony to the noble family of Sempill in 1546, re-purchased part of it in 1801; and were created Viscounts and Earls of Cathcart in the peerage of the United Kingdom in 1807 and 1814. Cathcart Castle, on a steep bank of the White Cart, in the southern vicinity of Old Cathcart village, dates from some period unknown to record, and in the days of Wallace and Bruce belonged to the ancestors of the Cathcart line. Seemingly a place of great strength, it continued to be inhabited by successive owners of the barony down to the middle of last century, when it was in great measure demolished for sake of its building materials, so that now it is represented only by one ruined ivy-clad square tower. On the bank of the river, and adjacent to the

castle, stands modern Cathcart House, into whose front a stone has been built, whereon are sculptured the arms of Cathcart, quartered with those of Stair; its present owner is Alan Frederick, third Earl of Cathcart. Other mansions are Aikenhead, Bellevue, Bogton, Campbell, Holmwood, Kirkintoun, Linn, and Overdale; and year by year the parish is becoming more and more thickly studded with good residences. Cathcart is in the presbytery of Glasgow and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; the living is worth £241. The parish church, near Old Cathcart village, rebuilt in 1831 on the site of its small old barn-like predecessor, is a handsome Gothic edifice, containing 850 sittings; in its kirkyard are the graves of three martyred Covenanters, of the Gordons of Aikenhead, and of two English Gipsies, John Cooper and Logan Lee. At New Cathcart are a Free and a U.P. church. Four schools—Cathcart, Crossmyloof, Queen's Park, and St Joseph's R.C., Busby—with respective accommodation for 841, 522, 1288, and 162 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 480, 508, 907, and 52, and grants of £519, 17s. 6d., £520, 14s., £902, 14s. 6d., and £50, 8s. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 9539; of civil parish (1861) 3782, (1871) 7231, (1881) 12,205, (1891) 16,589, of whom 156 were in Lanarkshire.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 30, 1866.

Cathcart District Railway, a circular line that leaves the Caledonian railway a little beyond Eglinton Street station, Glasgow, on the south side of the Clyde. With a station at Pollokshields East, it turns eastward to Queen's Park and Crosshill, and then makes a turn southward to Mount Florida and Cathcart. A recent extension turns westward, north-westward, northward, and again eastward, with stations at Langside, Pollokshaws, Shawlands, and Maxwell Park, returning to the Caledonian at Strathbungo. The various stations on the line are what are known as island stations, and there are many bridges and some deep cuttings.

Catherine. See KATRINE.

Catherinefield. See DUMFRIES.

Catherine's, St. a ruined ancient chapel in Southend parish, Argyllshire, on a hurn in a secluded glen, 7 miles SW of Campbeltown. A cemetery and a spring adjoin it; and the latter, till a comparatively recent period, had the reputation of a 'holy well,' and was frequented by invalids.

Catherine's, St. a ferry on Loch Fyne, Argyllshire, opposite Inverary, and forming the communication from that town with the roads to Kilmun, Lochgoilhead, Cairndow, and Glenecro. Small piers are at it, and an inn is at its E end. See also EDINBURGH, LIBERTON, and PENICUK.

Cathkin. See CARMUNNOCK.

Cathlaw, an estate, with a mansion, in Torphichen parish, W Linlithgowshire, 3 miles N by E of Bathgate.

Cat Law, a mountain at the meeting-point of Lintrathen, Kingoldrum, and Kirriemuir parishes, W Forfarshire, 6 miles NW of Kirriemuir town. One of the Benchinnan Grampians, projecting beyond the general line of the range, it has an altitude of 2196 feet above sea-level; it is crowned with a large cairn; and it commands a very extensive and magnificent view.

Catrail, an ancient earthwork, thus described by the late Dr Hill Burton in his *History of Scotland*, vol. i., pp. 90, 91 (ed. 1876):—"Whether in imitation of the Romans, or from some conception of their own, possibly earlier than the Roman invasion, the inhabitants of Scotland possessed a wall, strengthened by a system of forts. It is fortunate that it was seen by the antiquary Gordon, and caught a strong hold of his attention. He has accordingly followed its tract, and described a great deal that agricultural improvement has obliterated. He finds its northern commencement about a mile from Galashiels, on the river Gala, a tributary to the Tweed on its northern side; and there is a conjecture that it may have been carried from the other side of the stream across to the E coast. The most southerly trace of it is at Peel Fell, in Northumberland; its profile is a ditch between two walls. It has three local names: "The Catrail," "The Deil's Dyke," and "The Picts' Work

* Other names that suggest themselves are Tannahill, John Struthers, 'Christopher North,' and Alexander Smith; the last, in chapter xvi, of his *Summer in Skye*, has left a sketch of this haunt of his boyhood.

Ditch." It passes through the most classic portions of the Border land, by Yarrow, Deloraine Burn, Melrose, and Liddesdale, then near the Leepsteel and Hermitage Castle. Gordon found its most distinct vestiges to be "24 and 26 feet broad, and very deep, the ramparts on every side 6 or 7 feet in perpendicular height, and each of them 10 or 12 feet thick." From the phenomenon that the moss has at one place thickened to a level with the top, so that the sides of the wall are exposed by digging, it is supposed that the wall is of extreme antiquity. There are several hill-forts on the line of this rampart, so disposed as to leave little doubt that they are elements of the system of fortification connected with the walls and ditch." Thus Dr Hill Burton. On the other hand, in a lengthy correspondence that appeared in the *Scotsman* during November 1880, it was urged that the Catrail was neither designed nor calculated for a work of defence, but was simply a mutual boundary line between two neighbouring and friendly tribes. Among the arguments put forward to support this view are—(1) that the work is not continuous, ceasing, for instance, at Braidlee Burn; and (2) that in places, e.g. on Woodburn farm, the ditch is only 3 feet deep and 6 or 7 wide, while the rampart is only 3 feet high. See Alex. Gordon's *Itinerarium Septentrionale* (1726); Chalmers' *Caledonia* (new edition, Paisley, vol. iii., 1886); T. Craig-Brown's *History of Selkirkshire* (1886), and articles by James Small, F.S.A., in the *Transactions of the Berwickshire Naturalists Club* (1880), and John Russell in *Blackwood's Magazine* (1888).

Catrine, a small manufacturing town in Sorn parish, Ayrshire, pleasantly situated, 300 feet above sea-level, on the right bank of the river Ayr, 2½ miles ESE of Mauchline station, with which it communicates by omnibuses. It owes its origin to the extensive cotton factory, established in 1787 by Claude Alexander, Esq. of BALLOCHMYLE, the proprietor, in partnership with the well-known Mr David Dale, of Glasgow. By them the mill was sold in 1801 to Messrs Jas. Finlay & Co., who, having greatly enlarged it, added a bleaching-work and three huge waterwheels in 1824. Regularly built, with a central square, and streets leading off it E, S, and W, the town has a post office under Mauchline, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Royal Bank, several insurance agencies, two hotels, a gas company, a public library, and a brewery. The principal building is the Wilson Bequest Hall (1880), which, measuring 52 by 22 feet, can accommodate 500 persons, and has a reading-room attached. There are Established, Free, U.P., and Evangelical Union churches; and in 1871 Catrine was formed into a *quoad sacra* parish. A public school, with accommodation for 500 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 391, and a grant of £395, 10s. 6d. Pop. (1871) 2584, (1881) 2638, (1891) 2458.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 14, 1863.

Catrine House, a mansion in Auchinleck parish, Ayrshire, 1 mile SW of Catrine town, across the river Ayr, and 2 miles SE of Mauchline. It was the seat of Dr Matthew Stewart (1717-85), to whom and to whose son, Prof. Dugald Stewart, Burns alludes in *The Vision* as 'the learned sire and son,' and here, on the invitation of the latter, he 'dinnered wi' a lord.'

Catslack, a burn in Yarrow parish, Selkirkshire, rising close to the Peeblesshire boundary, and running 2½ miles SE and E to Yarrow Water, just below Yarrow Fens.

Catstane, an ancient monumental stone in the Edinburgh section of Kirkliston parish, on the peninsula between the Almond and Gogar Burn, 3½ miles WNW of Corstorphine village. Some believe it to commemorate the slaughter, near the spot, of Constantine, King of Alban, in a pitched battle, in the year 997, with Kenneth, son of Malcolm, which St Berchan, however, clearly places on the Tay; the late Sir James Simpson, on the other hand, in a monograph reprinted among his posthumous *Archaeological Essays*, asks, 'Is it not the tombstone of the grandfather of Hengist and Horsa?' Perhaps it is.

Catter, a fine old mansion in Kilmarnock parish, Dumbartonshire, near the left bank of Endrick Water, 1½ mile S by W of Drymen. The property of the Duke of Montrose, it is occupied by his chamberlain; and commands a splendid view of Buchanan park, lower Strath-andrick, and the southern waters of Loch Lomond.

Catterline. See CATERLINE.

Cauldchapel, a farm in Wandell and Lanington parish, Lanarkshire. It contains two ancient small circular camps, one of them 180 feet in diameter, and also a moat or tumulus 60 feet in diameter and 5 feet high.

Cauldcleuch, a mountain on the mutual border of Teviothead and Castleton parishes, Roxburghshire, 9½ miles SSW of Hawick. It is one of the chain of mountains separating Teviotdale from Liddesdale, and has an altitude of 1996 feet above sea-level.

Cauldhame, a hamlet in Kippen parish (which since 1891 is wholly in Stirlingshire), ½ mile SW of Kippen village.

Cauldhane, a hamlet in St Ninians parish, Stirlingshire, 1 mile from Bannockburn.

Cauldron. See CALDRON.

Cauldshiels, a little loch in the Roxburghshire section of Galashiels parish, on the estate and 1¼ mile SSE of Abbotsford. Lying 780 feet above sea-level, it measures 2½ furlongs by 1, and is prettily wooded along its northern shore; Washington Irving tells how Scott prided himself upon this little Mediterranean Sea in his dominions—it's depths the haunt of a water-bull. Cauldshiels Hill (1176 feet), to the SE, is crowned by an ancient Caledonian fort, which seems to have been connected by a rampart and fosse with the camp on the Eildon Hills, 2½ miles ENE.

Caulkerbush, a hamlet and a burn in Colvend parish, SE Kirkcudbrightshire. The hamlet lies at the burn's mouth, 8 miles ESE of Dalbeattie; and the burn rises on Clonyard Hill, and runs 2½ miles south-eastward to Southwick Water.

Causea. See COVESEA.

Causewayend, a station near the mutual border of Linlithgowshire and Stirlingshire, on the Slamannan railway, 5½ miles SW of Borrowstouness.

Causewayend, a hamlet on the S border of Penninghame parish, Wigtonshire, near Bishopburn, 3¼ miles S by E of Newton-Stewart.

Causewayend. See CALLEE, MID.

Causewayhead, a village in Stirling and Logie parishes, Stirlingshire, at the end of Stirling Long Causeway, adjacent to the Stirling and Dunfermline railway, 1½ mile NNE of Stirling. It has a station on the railway and a post office under Stirling. A paraffin work and a quarry of coarse sandstone are adjacent to the village; and seams of coal are near.

Causewayside, a village on the NW border of Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, contiguous to Tollcross.

Cava, a small island of Orphir parish, Orkney, 2 miles S of Houston Head in Pomona. It measures 1 by ½ mile, and has a ruined chapel.

Cavens, an estate, with a mansion, in Kirkbean parish, SE Kirkcudbrightshire, 13 miles S of Dumfries, and 3 furlongs S of Kirkbean village. Its owner is R. A. Oswald, Esq. (b. 1841; suc. 1871) of ARCHENCRIVIE. The Regent Morton had a castle here, which James VI. visited as a boy.

Cavers, a Teviotdale parish of Roxburghshire, containing, in its northern division, the village of DEXHOLM, 5 miles NE of Hawick, and, in its southern division, Shankend station, 7 miles SSE of Hawick. Very irregular in shape, being cut in two by Kirkton parish except for a narrow connecting link to the E, it is bounded NW by Wilton and Minto, E by Bedrule and Hobbkirk, S by Castleton, and W by Teviothead, Kirkton, and Hawick. It has an extreme length from NNE to SSW of 13½ miles, a width of from 70 yards to 4 miles, and an area of 18,352½ acres, of which 88½ are water. The Teviot, for 5½ miles, roughly traces all the boundary with Wilton and Minto; and RULIE Water winds 2 miles northward to it along the Bedrule border; whilst

others of its affluents here are the Hone, and Dean Burns in the northern, and SLIRIE Water in the southern, division of the parish. The surface sinks to less than 300 feet above sea-level in the furthest N, thence rising south-westward to 558 feet near Caversmains, 718 at Caversknowes, 675 at Orchard, 901 at Whitacres Hill, and 988 at White Hill—south-south-westward to 1392 at 'dark RUBERSLAW,' 946 at Hogfield Hill, 1053 at Peat Law, 1034 at Berryfell, 1253 at Burnt Craig, 1216 at Shanken Hill, 1516 at the Pike, 1677 at Maiden Paps, and 1964 at Greatmoor Hill, which, forming part of the Teviotdale and Liddesdale 'divide,' culminates just within Castleton. The rocks are variously eruptive, Silurian, and Devonian; and the soils range from very fertile loam to sterile moor. Dr Chalmers was assistant minister from 1801 to 1803; but the name most closely associated with Cavers is that of the scholar-poet, John Leyden (1775-1811). The low-thatched cottage at Denholm in which he was born is still occupied; but Henslawshiel, at the base of Ruberslaw, whither his father removed in 1776, has been long demolished. Antiquities are four or five prehistoric hill-forts, remains near Ormiston of Cocklaw Castle, and, in the southern division, about 3 miles of the CATRALL; whilst a crag towards the summit of Ruberslaw is pointed out as 'Peden's Pulpit.' Cavers House, a little SE of the parish church, on the site of a castle inhabited by the Balfours in the 12th and 13th centuries, is a large rectangular pile, baronial in aspect, with walls of great thickness and small old-fashioned windows. Its oldest portion, a square tower, was built by Sir Archibald Douglas, younger son of that valiant Earl of Douglas who conquered and fell at Otterburn (1388), and whose banner is here preserved along with the trophy won from Harry Hotspur. Sir Archibald's descendants were hereditary Sheriffs of Teviotdale, and also sometimes Wardens of the Marches, down to 1745; with the twentieth of them, Jas. Douglas, Esq. of Cavers (1822-78), the male line became extinct. Thereupon the estate—9840 acres, valued at £7937 per annum—passed to his niece, Miss Mary Malcolm, who in 1879 married Capt. Edward Palmer. Other mansions are Orchard, Ormiston House, and Stross Castle, which stand respectively 2½ miles E by N, 2½ E by S, and 4½ S, of Hawick; and 4 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 7 of between £100 and £500, 1 of from £50 to £100, and 8 of from £20 to £50. Cavers is in the presbytery of Jedburgh and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; the living is worth £324. The old parish church, ½ mile NNE of Cavers House, is a long plain building, with traces of Norman and First Pointed work; young Leyden made it his week-day study, and played in it some most unholy pranks. A little to the westward, and 2½ miles ENE of Hawick, is the present church, erected in 1822, and containing 500 sittings. Denholm has also a Free church (364 sittings); and under the Cavers and Kirkton school-board, three public schools—Cogsmill, Denholm, and Kirkton—with respective accommodation for 100, 219, and 135 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 69, 142, and 52, and grants of £85, 11s., £150, 16s. 6d., and £52, 10s. 6d. Valuation £16,149, 2s. 1d., including £2296 for the railway. Pop. (1801) 1382, (1831) 1625, (1861) 1824, (1871) 1443, (1881) 1318, (1891) 1211; of registration district (1891) 707.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 17, 1864. See the Memoir by Thomas Brown, prefixed to the centenary edition of Leyden's *Scenes of Infancy and other Poems*.

Cavers-Carre. See BOWDEN.

Caverton Mill, a hamlet in Eckford parish, NE Roxburghshire, on the right bank of Kale Water, 4½ miles SSE of Kelso. It was twice burned by the English, in 1544 and 1553; and it now has a public school. The barony of Caverton belonged anciently to the Soules.

Cawdor, a village in Nairnshire, and a parish formerly partly also in Inverness-shire. The village stands on Cawdor Burn, near its influx to the river Nairn, 5½ miles SW by S of Nairn town, under which it has a post office. At it is a good inn.

In 1891 the Inverness-shire portion of the parish,

while remaining part of Cawdor, was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the county of Nairn; and a detached part of the parish bounded by the parishes of Auldearn and Nairn was transferred to the parish of Nairn; while the Nairnshire portion of Moy and Dalarsie parish was transferred to Cawdor. The parish varies in width from E to W between 1½ and 5½ miles; its greatest length from N to S is 9¼ miles, exclusive of a SSE wing 5¼ miles long beyond the Findhorn. The river NAIRN runs 5 miles north-eastward along or near the Croy and Dalcross border, and the northward-flowing Allt Dearg and Riearach Burns unite at the village to form its short affluent, the Cawdor Burn; whilst the FINDHORN winds 2¼ miles through the SE corner of the parish. The surface sinks to less than 80 feet above sea-level in the furthest N, thence rising southward to 328 feet near Whinnhill, 564 near Riearach, 698 near Clunas, 1000 in Cairn Maol, 1180 in Creag an Daimh, 1314 in *Carn a Chrasgie, 1380 in *Carn Sgumain, and 2013 in *Carn nan tri-tighearnan, where asterisks mark those summits that culminate on the boundary; beyond the Findhorn are Carn a' Gharb ghlaic (1523 feet), *Carn an t-Seanlathanaich (2706), and *Carn Glas (2162). To the breadth of about 1 mile along Nairn river extends a cultivated plain, for some distance from which the hill-slopes are either under tillage or covered with fine plantations; and all thence onward to the south-eastern boundary is a wide expanse of brown and barren heath. The arable and planted portions occupy little more than one-sixth of the entire area; the remainder is pasture or moor. Devonian rocks prevail on the lower grounds; grey gneiss, much shattered and contorted by veins of granite, predominates over the uplands; and the two kinds of rock make a junction in the bed of Cawdor Burn. The soil of the plain is mostly an alluvial loam, resting on a substratum of sand and gravel, and rarely of great fertility; elsewhere the soil is generally moorish and poor. Near the Allt Dearg are remains of a vitrified fort and of St Brevan's church; but the chief artificial object—and one of high interest—is Cawdor Castle, perched on the rocky brow of Cawdor Burn, amid magnificent oaks and other venerable trees. The Caldors of Calder were said to be descended from a brother of Macbeth, to whom, on his assumption of the crown, he resigned the thanedom of Calder. They were constables of the king's house, and resided in the castle of Nairn, but had a country seat at what is called Old Calder, ½ mile N of the present seat. They received a licence in 1454 to build the Tower of Calder, the nucleus of the present castle; and they ended, in 1498, in a young heiress, Muriella Calder. In 1499 she, still a child, was walking with her nurse near the Tower of Calder, when she was captured by a party of 60 Campbells. Her uncles pursued and overtook the division to whose care she had been entrusted, and would have rescued her but for the presence of mind of Campbell of Innerliver, who, seeing their approach, inverted a large camp-kettle as if to conceal her, and, bidding his seven sons defend it to the death, hurried on with his prize. The young men all were slain, and when the Caldors lifted up the kettle no Muriella was there. Meanwhile so much time had been gained, that further pursuit was useless. The nurse, at the moment the child was seized, bit off a joint of her little finger in order to mark her identity—no needless precaution, as appears from Campbell of Auchinbreck's answer to the question, 'What was to be done should the child die before she came of marriageable age?' 'She can never die,' said he, 'as long as a red-haired lassie can be found on either side of Loch Awe.' In 1510 she married Sir John Campbell, third son of the second Earl of Argyll; and from them are descended in a direct line the Campbells of Calder, created Baron Cawdor in 1796 and Earl Cawdor of Castlemartin in 1827. The present and second Earl, Jn. Fred. Vaughan Campbell (b. 1817; suc. 1860), holds 46,176 acres in the shire, valued at £7882, 12s. The Tower of Calder, after coming into the possession of the Campbells, received great additions, and took the name of Cawdor Castle. It was formerly a place of

vast strength. Legend throws over it much mystery and romance, one tradition making it the hiding-place of Lord Lovat after Culloden. 'The whole of Cawdor Castle,' to quote Mr Fraser Tytler, 'is peculiarly calculated to impress the mind with a retrospect of past ages, feudal customs, and deeds of darkness. Its iron-grated doors, its ancient tapestry, hanging loosely over secret doors and hidden passages, its winding staircases, its rattling drawbridge, all conspire to excite the most gloomy imagery in the mind. Among its intricacies must be mentioned the secret apartment which concealed Lord Lovat from the sight of his pursuers. It is placed immediately beneath the rafters of the roof. By means of a ladder you are conducted by the side of one part of a sloping roof into a kind of channel between two, such as frequently serves to convey rain-water into pipes for a reservoir. Proceeding along this channel, you arrive at the foot of a stone staircase, which leads up one side of the roof to the right, and is so artfully contrived as to appear a part of the ornaments of the building when beheld at a distance. At the end of this staircase is a room with a single window near the floor. A remarkable tradition respecting the foundation of this castle is worth notice, because circumstances still remain which plead strongly for its truth. It is said the original proprietor was directed by a dream to load an ass with gold, turn it loose, and, following its footsteps, build a castle wherever the ass rested. In an age when dreams were considered as the immediate oracles of heaven, and their suggestions implicitly attended to, it is natural to suppose the ass—as tradition relates—received its burden and its liberty. After strolling about from one thistle to another, it arrived at last beneath the branches of a hawthorn tree, where, fatigued with the weight upon its back, it knelt down to rest. The space round the tree was cleared for building, the foundation laid, and a tower erected: but the tree was preserved, and remains at this moment a singular memorial of superstition attended by advantage. The situation of the castle accidentally proved the most favourable that could be chosen; the country round it is fertile, productive of trees, in a wholesome spot; and a river, with clear and rapid current, flows beneath its walls. The trunk of the tree, with the knotty protuberances of its branches, is still shown in a vaulted apartment at the bottom of the principal tower. Its roots branch out beneath the floor, and its top penetrates through the vaulted arch of stone above, in such a manner as to make it appear, beyond dispute, that the tree stood, as it stands to-day, before the tower was erected. For ages it has been a custom for guests in the family to assemble round it, and drink, "Success to the hawthorn;" that is to say, in other words, "Prosperity to the house of Cawdor!" What is known as the chain armour of King Duncan is preserved at Cawdor Castle, which is one of three places assigned by tradition as the scene of that monarch's murder in 1040 by Macbeth, Mormaer of Moray. Admission to the Castle may be had by ticket, procurable at the inn. Earl Cawdor owns six-sevenths of the parish, the rest belonging to Rose of Holme Rose. Cawdor is in the presbytery of Nairn and synod of Moray; the living is worth £182. The church, erected in 1619, and enlarged in 1830, contains 638 sittings, and is an interesting building, with a curious lych-gate and some old inscriptions. There is also a Free church; and three public schools—Barivan, Cawdor, and Clunas—with respective accommodation for 37, 155, and 48 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 23, 104, and 41, and grants of £35, 17s., £84, 10s. 6d., and £48, 14s. 6d. Pop. (1801) 1179, (1831) 1184, (1861) 1203, (1871) 1027, (1881) 1070, (1891) 1026.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 84, 1876. See *The Book of the Thanes of Cawdor; A series of Papers selected from the Charter-room at Cawdor*, edited for the Spalding Club by Cosmo Innes.

Cawpla or **Caplaw**, a hill in the W of Neilston parish, and a lake on the mutual border of Neilston and Abbey parishes, Renfrewshire. The hill flanks the E side of the lake, 2½ miles WNW of Neilston village,

and has an altitude of 652 feet above sea-level; the lake is a dam on Patrick Water, and, measuring ½ mile by ¼ furlong, is larger in winter than in summer.

Cayle. See KALE.

Ceannabeinne. See DURNES.

Ceannard or **Kennard**, a loch in Dull parish, central Perthshire, 3½ miles SSE of Grantully Castle. Lying 1400 feet above sea-level, it is 5½ furlongs long and from 1 to 3 furlongs broad; its water abounds with small trout. Loch Ceannard Lodge stands on its northern shore.

Ceannor, a tarn in Crathie and Braemar parish, SW Aberdeenshire, 1½ mile S of the head of Loch Callader. Lying 2196 feet above sea-level, it measures 1½ by ¾ furlong, and seems to be the 'Loch Canter, very wild and dark,' of the Queen's *Journal*.

Ceathramgarbh, a division of Eddrachillis parish, Sutherland, between Lochs Laxford and Inchnard. The name signifies 'the rough section of a country,' and is truly descriptive.

Cellardyke or **Nether Kilrenny**, a fishing village in Kilrenny parish, SE Fife, forming an eastward extension of ANSTRUTHER-Easter, but united as a royal burgh to KILRENNY. At it are the new Anstruther harbour, a branch of the National Bank, a *quoad sacra* church, a Free Church hall (1870), a cod-liver oil works, fishing-gear factories, and a saw-mill. A public and an infant school, with respective accommodation for 225 and 238 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 224 and 173, and grants of £245, 16s. and £142, 17s. Pop. of *q. s.* parish, (1891) 1662. See Geo. Gourlay's *Fisher Life; or, the Memorials of Cellardyke*.

Ceres, a small town and a parish of E central Fife. The town, standing on the left bank of Ceres Burn, 2½ miles SE of Cupar station, was originally called Cyrus or Seres, after St Cyr, its patron saint in pre-Reformation times. It consists of the town proper and the north-western suburb of Bridgend, the former old, the latter modern; and comprises several streets, some good houses, and a neatly-kept green. Over its ancient narrow bridge the men of Ceres marched, according to tradition, to join Robert Bruce's army on the eve of Bannockburn; over it, too, Archbishop Sharp drove, in his lumbering coach, to meet his murderers on Magus Muir. A burgh of barony, under the Hopes of Craighall, Ceres carries on considerable industry in several departments of the brown linen trade, and has a post office under Cupar-Fife, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, gas-works, an infirmary, and a horticultural society, and fairs on the 24 June and 20 Oct.; if Saturday, Sunday, or Monday, then Tuesday following. The parish church, rebuilt in 1896 on an eminence in the middle of the town, has a square castellated tower, and contains 1100 sittings; adjoining it is the small tiled mausoleum—a transept of the former old church—in which lie several illustrious members of the Crawford-Lindsay family. There are also a Free church, and 2 U.P. churches. Ceres is to have a station on the branch of the proposed East Fife Central Railway which is to run from Leven to Dairsie on the main line. Pop. (1891) 688.

The parish contains also the villages of Craighothie, Chance Inn, Balminnie, and Pitcottie, which stand respectively 1½ mile WSW, 2 miles WSW, 2 E, and 1½ mile NE, of Ceres town. Irregular in outline, it is bounded N by Kemback and St Andrews, E by Cameron, SE by Kilonquhar, S by Largo, SW by Kettle, W by Cults, and NW by Cupar. Its greatest length from NE to SW is 6 miles; its breadth varies from ½ mile to 3½ miles; and its area is 10,075½ acres, of which nearly ½ acre is water. The Eden flows 2 miles along the north-western boundary; and its affluent, Ceres Burn, formed just above the town by Craighothie, Class How, Craighall, and two lesser burns, flows 2 miles north-eastward into Kemback parish, and there 9 furlongs northward through DUA DEX. The surface is pleasantly diversified, here rising to 500, there sinking to 100, feet above sea-level; Walton Hill (622 feet) is the highest point in the parish. The rocks are partly eruptive, partly carboniferous; and basaltic columns form a

range or cliff, extending $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N and S on Newbigging farm. Trap rock has been largely quarried, both for building and for road-metal; sandstone abounds in the N; and limestone and coal are found in the S. The soil, near the town, is a friable earth, incumbent upon gravel; along the Eden is light and sandy; and elsewhere is partly reclaimed moss or moor, but mostly a deep cold earth, incumbent variously on trap, limestone, and tilly clay. About two-fifths of the entire area are in tillage, one-half being in grass, and one-tenth under plantations or waste. Craighall Castle, Struthers House, and Scotstarvet Tower are the chief antiquities, and will be separately noticed. Natives or residents were Rt. Lindsay of Pitscottie, a 16th century historian, and Sir John Scott of Scotstarvet (1585-1670), author of *The Staggering State of Scots Statesmen*; among the ministers were Thomas Buchanan, cousin of the more famous George, and Thos. Halyburton (1674-1712), divinity professor at St Andrews. Teases House and Edenwood are good modern mansions, the former commanding a brilliant view of the Firth of Forth; and 8 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 18 of between £100 and £500, 12 of from £50 to £100, and 19 of from £20 to £50. Ceres is in the presbytery of Cupar and synod of Fife; the living is worth £234. Three public schools—Bridgend Infant, Ceres, and Craigrothie—with respective accommodation for 72, 179, and 108 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 41, 133, and 66, and grants of £28, 15s. 6d., £139, 12s. 6d., and £49, 4s. Valuation (1891) £12,834, 3s. 11d. Pop. (1801) 2352; (1841) 2944, (1861) 2723, (1871) 2381, (1881) 2063, (1891) 1677.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 40, 41, 1857-67.

Cessford, a hamlet of Eckford parish, NE Roxburghshire, 6 miles ENE of Jedburgh, and 3 WSW of Morebattle. It stands on the right bank of Cessford Burn which, rising in Oxnam parish, runs $\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-by-eastward to Kale Water. Cessford Castle, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of the hamlet, was the seat from 1446 or thereabouts of the Kers of Cessford, ancestors of the Duke of Roxburgh, and gives to the Duke the title of Baron Ker of Cessford (1616), and of Marquess of Cessford (1707). A place of great military importance, the centre of many a martial enterprise, it was besieged in 1545 by the Earl of Surrey, who said that 'it might never have been taken had the assailed been able to go on defewding.' It was protected by a moat and an outer and an inner wall, and is now represented by the roofless ruin of its keep, 67 feet long, 60 broad, and 65 high, with walls 12 feet in thickness, and with a dismal dungeon of remarkable character, and a subterranean vault. An ash is still pointed out as the 'Jeddart justice' tree; and a large artificial cavern, called Hobbie Ker's Cave, is in a steep bank by the burn, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of the castle, and might be often passed and re-passed without being observed.

Cessnock, a small river of the NE of Kyle district, Ayrshire. It rises on Auchmannoch Muir, at 980 feet above sea-level, near the Lanarkshire boundary, and 1 mile SW of Distiakhorn Hill; and running 5 miles south-westward through Sorn and Mauchline parishes, to within a mile of Mauchline town, goes thence about 9 miles north-north-westward, partly through Mauchline parish, partly along the boundary between Galston on the right and Craigie and Riccarton on the left; and falls into Irvine Water at a point $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by S of Kilmarnock. Its winding course is varied and picturesque, and its waters afford good trout fishing, but are not open to the public. On its banks dwelt the lassie with sparkling roguish een of Burns's song. Cessnock Castle, an ancient tower, the property of the Duke of Portland, stands in the parish and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of the town of Galston.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 22, 14, 1865-63.

Chalmers. See GLASGOW.

Chaluin, Loch. See CAILAM.

Champfleurie, an estate, with a mansion, in the parish and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by S of the town of Lintlithgow. Its owner, Rt. Hathorn Johnston-Stewart, Esq. (b. 1824; suc. 1842), owns 2036 acres in the shire, valued at £3884 per annum. See also GLASSERTON and PHYSICILL.

Chance Inn, a hamlet in Inverkelor parish. Forfar-

shire, near the coast, 6 miles N by W of Arbroath. It has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments. See also CERES.

Chanlock, a burn of Penpont parish, NW Dumfriesshire. Rising at 1500 feet above sea-level, 3 miles ESE of the meeting-point of Dumfries, Kirkcudbright, and Ayr shires, it runs 6 miles east-by-southward, and falls into Scar Water, 5 miles NW of Penpont village.

Channelkirk, a Lauderdale parish in the extreme NW of Berwickshire, containing the hamlets of Old and New Channelkirk. The former, adjacent to the parish church, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles ESE of Tynehead station, and 6 NNW of Lauder, is merely the remnant of an ancient village; the latter lies 5 furlongs N of the church.

The parish contains also the village of Oxton, $\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Lauder, under which it has a post office. It is bounded E and SE by Lauder, SW and W by Stow in Edinburghshire, NW by Fala-Soutra and Humber in Haddingtonshire. Its greatest length, from N to S, is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth, from E to W, is 5 miles; and its area is 14,202 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 12 are water. Armet Water, on its way to the Gala, flows all along the north-western and western boundary; the eastern is traced by Kelphepe Burn, one of several head-streams of LEADER Water, by which this parish is principally drained. The surface in the SE sinks to 630 feet above sea-level, thence rising west-south-westward to Collie Law (1255 feet), north-westward to Clints Hill (1535), Turf Law (1248), and Dun Law (1292), north-north-westward to Headshaw Law (1349), Carftae Common (1373), and Ninecairn Edge (1479) at the NE corner of the parish,—these heights belonging to the western portion of the Lammermuirs. The rocks are chiefly Silurian, and are quarried both for building and for road-metal. The soils are variously sandy, gravelly, peaty, and moorish; about 3000 acres are in tillage. Four proprietors hold an annual value of more and 4 of less than £500. On the hills are two prehistoric camps, one in the S, the other a little W of the church, and near the second is a fine spring, the Well of the Holy Water Cleugh. Here, about A.D. 636, according to the Irish Life of St Cuthbert, he was placed as a boy under the care of a religious man, whilst his mother went on pilgrimage to Rome; and here was afterwards built in his honour the church of 'Childeschirche' (the ancient name of Channelkirk), which church was held by Dryburgh Abbey. Now the parish is in the presbytery of Earliston and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; the living is worth £273. The church, rebuilt in 1817, contains 300 sittings; and a public school, with accommodation for 154 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 114, and a grant of £106, 9s. 6d. Valuation £8523, 16s. 11d. Pop. (1801) 640, (1831) 841, (1861) 671, (1891) 545.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 25, 33, 1863-65.

Chanonry, a town and the seat of a presbytery in Rosemarkie parish, Ross-shire, on the Moray Firth, at the E side of the Black Isle peninsula, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of Rosemarkie town, and $10\frac{1}{2}$ NNE of Inverness. It commands an extensive view of the waters and shores of the Moray Firth; adjoins a tongue of land, called Chanonry Point, projecting into the Firth to within 7 furlongs of Fort George on the opposite shore; and took its name from being the Canony of Ross and the residence of the bishop. Constituted a royal burgh by Alexander II., it became united in burgh privileges with Rosemarkie town, under the common name of Fortrose, by charter of James II. in 1455; and now, except for being the seat of a presbytery, is known only as a constituent part of Fortrose. A chief feature in it is the remnant of its ancient cathedral, but that and other matters connected with it will be noticed in our article on FORTROSE. A lighthouse on Chanonry Point was built in 1846 at a cost of £3571, and shows a fixed light, visible at the distance of 11 nautical miles. The presbytery of Chanonry comprehends the *quoad civilia* parishes of Rosemarkie, Avoch, Cromarty, Killearnan, Resolis, and Knockbain, the *quoad sacra* parish of Fortrose, and the Gaelic church of Cromarty; is in the synod of Ross; and meets at Chanonry on the last Tuesday of March, the

first Tuesday of May and of October, and the last Tuesday of November. Pop. (1871) 10,403, (1891) 9125, of whom 304 were communicants of the Church of Scotland. The Free Church also has a presbytery of Chanonry, with congregations at Fortrose, Avoch, Cromarty, Killearnan, two at Knockbain, and Resolis, which together had 2741 members and adherents in 1891.

Chapel. See ABBOTSHALL.

Chapel and Stirling Bridge, a village in Cambusethan parish, Lanarkshire. Pop. (1891) 503.

Chapel, a small village in the W of Newtyle parish, Forfarshire.

Chapel, a mansion in the parish and 1 mile of the village of Kettle, central Fife. It was the birthplace in 1794 of the eminent surgeon Jas. Moncrieff Arnott, F.R.S.

Chapel, a farm in Mollat parish, Dumfriesshire, on the hill fronting Moffat Townhead. A ruined chapel, adjoining the dwelling-house, was erected by the Knights Templars, and is in the Transition style from Early English to Decorated, being chiefly represented now by the E and W gables. Traces of the foundations of other ancient buildings, probably the residence of some of the Knights Templars, are in the vicinity. Considerable landed property was annexed to the chapel, and passed to successively the Franches of Frenchland, Grierson of Lag, and the Annandale family.

Chapel or Chappell, a village in Neilston parish, Renfrewshire, one of the numerous seats of industry between Neilston village and Barrhead.

Chapelden. See ABERDUR, Aberdeenshire.

Chapel-Donan. See GRIVAN.

Chapelgill. See BROUGHTON, Peebleshire.

Chapel Green, a hamlet in the W of Kilsyth parish, Stirlingshire. An ancient chapel stood at it, and in a neighbouring tumulus an urn was found. It now has a public school; and a former schoolmaster here was the minor poet, John Kennedy (1789-1833).

Chapelhall, a large village in the NE of Bothwell parish, Lanarkshire, near the left bank of North Calder Water, 2 miles NNE of Holytown, and 2½ SE of Airdrie, under which it has a post office. Chiefly dependent on the iron-works and collieries of the Calderbank Company, it is of recent origin, and consists of well-built houses, nearly one-half of them the property of operatives; at it are a Free church, St Aloysius Roman Catholic church (1859), and a public and a Roman Catholic school, which, with respective accommodation for 370 and 225 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 211 and 148, and grants of £197, 2s. 6d., and £137, 13s. Pop. (1841) 1431, (1861) 1990, (1871) 1707, (1881) 1829, (1891) 1880.

Chapelhill, a hamlet in Monzie parish, Perthshire, near the left bank of the Almond, 6 miles NNW of Methven Junction. A ruined ancient chapel at it was restored in 1834 to serve as a chapel of ease, and is now the *quoad sacra* parish church of LOGIEALMOND.

Chapelhill, an eminence in Old Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire, adjacent to the Glasgow and Helensburgh railway, the Forth and Clyde Canal, and the river Clyde, ¼ mile W of Old Kilpatrick village. The site of the western terminal forts of Antoninus' Wall, it yielded in 1693 two Roman monumental tablets, which are preserved in the Glasgow University Museum; and Roman vases, coins, and other relics have also been found at it.

Chapelhope, a burn and a farm in the NW of Ettrick parish, Selkirkshire. The burn rises close to the Peebleshire border in the two head-streams of North and South Grain, which nearly encompass Middle Hill (1740 feet); and, from their confluence, runs 1½ mile E by N to the head of the Loch of the Lowes. The farm, 20 miles WSW of Selkirk, lies to the N of the burn, and contains, 3 furlongs from the loch, moss-covered foundations of an ancient chapel, with vestiges of rows of graves. Chapelhope is the chief scene of Hogg's tale of 'The Brownie of BODESBECK'; and it gave shelter to large numbers of the persecuted Covenanters.

Chapelknowe. See MELROSE.

Chapelknowe, a hamlet in Half-Morton parish, Dumfriesshire, 1 mile E of the English border, and 6 miles

WSW of Canonbie, under which it has a post office. A U.P. church at it was built in 1822, and contains 214 sittings.

Chapel of Garioch, a village and a Donside parish in Garioch district, Aberdeenshire. The village stands near the centre of the parish, 1¼ mile SSW of Pitcauleston, this being 5 miles NW of Inverurie, and 2¼ NW of Aberdeen.

The parish, containing also Pitcaule village, which has a post and railway telegraph office, is bounded NW and N by Rayne, NE by Daviot, E by Bourtie, Keith-hall and Inverurie, SE by Kemnay, SW by Monymusk, and W by Oyne. Irregular in outline, it has an utmost length of 8½ miles from NNE to SSW, viz., from Wartle station to Blairdaff; its breadth from E to W varies between 4½ furlongs and 3¼ miles; and its land area is 13,059 acres. The Don flows 3¼ miles north-north-eastward along the Kemnay border; and its affluent, the URY, winds 7¼ miles east-south-eastward through the interior and along the boundary with Inverurie, in all its course being closely followed by the Great North of Scotland railway, which here, at Invercramsy, sends off a branch line to Banff. The Mither Tap of BENSCOURIE (1698 feet) lies barely 1 mile from the western border; but within Chapel Garioch itself the surface nowhere exceeds 700, or sinks below 170, feet above sea-level, attaining 324 feet on Balhaggarday, 364 near Lethery, 536 near Knockallochie, 546 by the church, 682 near Backhill, and 647 near Mains of Aforsk—low rounded hills or long flattish ridges which are all either planted or in tillage. The rocks are principally greenstone and granite, and limestone was for some time worked on the estate of Pittodrie. The soil on the banks of the rivers is generally a mixture of strong gravel and vegetable mould, and ranges elsewhere from a rich black loam to thin gravelly soil and poor stony clay. Above two-thirds of the entire area are either regularly or occasionally in tillage, and nearly all the remainder is planted with larches, Scotch firs, and hardwood trees. Antiquities are BALQUHAIN Castle; a circular camp on the Ury, opposite Pitcaule Castle; and the Maiden Stone, ½ mile W of the church, which, 10 feet high, 3 broad, and 10 inches thick, is inscribed with curious hieroglyphics, and is figured in *The Sculptured Stones of Scotland*. The momentous battle of HARLAW (1411) was fought in Chapel of Garioch, a native of which was Alex. Gerard, D.D. (1728-95), the eminent divine. The principal mansions are Pitcaule Castle, Fetternear, Logie, and Pittodrie; and 9 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 3 of between £100 and £500, and 3 of from £20 to £50. Formed early in the 17th century by the union of Logie Durno, Fetternear, and Chapel, this parish is in the presbytery of Garioch and synod of Aberdeen; the living is worth £298. The parish church, at the village, was built in 1813, and contains 722 sittings. There are also a chapel of ease at BLAIRDAFF, and Free churches of Blairdaff and Chapel of Garioch. Three public schools—Chapel, Fetternear Madras, and Logie Durno—with respective accommodation for 116, 141, and 141 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 97, 114, and 100, and grants of £89, 18s. 6d., £120, 9s. 6d., and £86, 8s. Valuation, £13,181, 7s. 1d. Pop. (1801) 1224, (1851) 2102, (1871) 1928, (1881) 1923, (1891) 1690.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 76, 1874.

Chapel Park. See AYR.

Chapel Rome. See BROOMHILL.

Chapelshade. See DUNDEE.

Chapelton, a village in Glassford parish, Lanarkshire, 2½ miles NNW of Strathaven, and 5½ SSW of Hamilton, under which it has a post office. At it are gas-works, an Established church, a Free church, and a public school. In 1875 it, with the district around, was erected into a *quoad sacra* parish in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. Pop. of village (1841) 367, (1861) 634, (1881) 443, (1891) 365; of *g. s.* parish (1891) 772.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 23, 1865.

Chapelton, a hamlet in the Glenlivet section of Inveraven parish, Banffshire, 13¼ miles SSE of Ballin-

dalloch, under which it has a post office. St Mary's Roman Catholic church here was built in 1829, and contains 360 sittings, whilst a school attached to it, with accommodation for 195 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 87, and a grant of £84, 8s.

Chapelton, a hamlet in Inverkeilor parish, Forfarshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Arbroath. At it are a public school and remains of an ancient chapel, long used as the burying-place of the family of Boysack.

Chapelton. See BORGUE.

Charleston, a village in Rathen parish, Aberdeenshire.

Charleston, a village in Pitsligo parish, Aberdeenshire.

Charleston, a village in Kilmuir-Western parish, SE Ross-shire, on Beaulie Firth, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles NW of Inverness.

Charleston, a village in Glamis parish, SW Forfarshire, at the foot of the Glen of Ogilvie, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles S by E of Glamis station. It was founded in 1833, and built on 3 acres, leased at £24.

Charleston. See PAISLEY.

Charlestown, a seaport village in Dunfermline parish, Fife, on the Firth of Forth, at the terminus of the Charlestown railway, $\frac{1}{4}$ mile W by N of Limekilns, 4 miles SSW of Dunfermline, and 14 WN of Leith by water. Founded in 1778 by the Earl of Elgin, whose seat of BROOMHALL stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile to the E, it was designed, and has well served the design, to be the commercial outlet for lime, limestone, ironstone, and coal from the Elgin estate. It has such close connection with Limekilns, and with the extensive lime-works there, as to be practically one with them; and it was early connected, by a private railway, 5 miles long, with the Earl of Elgin's collieries. It is a regularly aligned and well-built place, with a square enclosing a bleaching-green, and with rows of cottages some distance apart, and each provided with a good-sized garden; at it are a post office under Dunfermline, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, a steam saw-mill, an iron foundry, salt-works, and a harbour. The railway from it curves northward to the north-western vicinity of Dunfermline, there joining with the Stirling and Dunfermline railway and with the West of Fife Mineral railway; it was purchased in 1859 by the North British Railway Company; and in 1861, as held by them, was amalgamated with the West of Fife Mineral railway. Improvements on the harbour were made concurrently with improvements on the railway. Having been formed by the Earl of Elgin it is now the property of the North British Railway Company, and has good accommodation for loading and unloading vessels. A public school, with accommodation for 215 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 127, and a grant of £112, 4s. Pop. (1841) 772, (1861) 701, (1871) 749, (1881) 632, (1891) 673.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857.

Charlestown. See ABERLOUR and ABOYNE.

Charleton, an estate, with a mansion, in Kilkonquhar parish, E Fife, 1 mile WNW of Colinsburgh. Its owner, Jn. Anstruther-Thomson, Esq. (b. 1819; suc. 1833), holds 4034 acres in the shire, valued at £7506 per annum.

Charlotte, Fort. See LERWICK.

Charlotte, Port. See PORT CHARLOTTE.

Charnac or Chuinneag, a small loch in the NW of Rosskeen parish, NE Ross-shire, $\frac{7}{8}$ miles WSW of Kincardine. Lying 1500 feet above sea-level, it measures $\frac{2}{3}$ furlongs by 1.

Charterhall, an estate, with a good modern mansion, in Fogo parish, Berwickshire, 3 miles ENE of Greenlaw station. The property of the Trotters for upwards of four centuries, it is now held by Lieut.-Col. Hy. Trotter of Mortonhall (b. 1844; suc. 1874), who owns 6780 acres in the shire, valued at £12,703 per annum.

Charters or Chesters. See SOUTHDEAN.

Charters-Chest, a recess in the steep slope of Craig Cluny, in Braemar, Aberdeenshire, on the S side of the Dee, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Castleton. It got its name from its being the depository of the Invercauld title-deeds during the rebellion of 1715.

Chatelherault, a summer-house of the Duke of Hamilton, in Hamilton parish, Lanarkshire, on an eminence in the ravine of the river Avon, opposite Cadzow Castle. Built in 1730 after designs by the elder Adam, it takes its name from the French dukedom of Chatelherault in Poitou, conferred in 1550, with the town and palace thereof, and with a yearly revenue of 30,000 livres, on the regent, James Hamilton, second Earl of Arran. It is partly occupied by the Duke's head gamekeeper; its walls are adorned with beautiful wood-carving and moulding in the style of Louis XIV.; and it displays a fantastic front, with four square turrets all in a line, and with florid pinnacles.

Cheese Bay, a natural harbour on the NE of North Uist island. Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire.

Cheese Well. See MINCHMOOR.

Cherrybank, a village in Perth East Church parish, Perthshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile from Perth. It has a post office under Perth, and a public school.

Chesters House. See ANCRUM.

Chesters. See SOUTHDEAN.

Chesthill, an estate, with a mansion, in Fortingal parish, Perthshire, on the left bank of the Lyon, 12 miles W by S of Aberfeldy. Its owner, J. B. Stewart-Menzies, Esq., holds 16,117 acres in the shire, valued at £2724 per annum.

Cheviots, a broad range of lofty hills, extending from Cheviot Hill, 25 miles south-westward along the English Border, to Peel Fell, whence another range—included sometimes in the general name of Cheviots—strikes westward to the Lowthers, parting Liddesdale and Eskdale from Teviotdale. Cheviot itself (2676 feet), the highest summit of the range, belongs to England, lying fully a mile within Northumberland, 7 miles SW of Wooler; but Anchopecairn (2422 feet), Windygate Hill (2034), Hungry Law (1645), Carter Fell (1899), and Peel Fell (1964), may be called 'debatable points,' as they culminate exactly on the Border. The outlines of the hills are for the most part rounded: often they stand skirt to skirt, or shoulder to shoulder, like clustering cones. The principal pass is that of CARTER BAR. The prevailing rock is porphyritic trap, and the soil, over great part of the surface, bears a rich green-sward, excellent for sheep pasture. The highest portions, to a great extent, are heath; and considerable tracts, on the slopes or in the hollows, are bog. The chief streams on the Scottish side are the Hermitage and the Liddel, going towards the Solway Firth; the Teviot and the Beaumont going towards the Tweed. The golden eagle is now no longer seen; gone is the 'great plenty of redd dere and roe buckes,' mentioned in Leland's *Itinerary*; but grouse are fairly abundant, and the famous white-faced breeds of Cheviot sheep is pastured in large flocks. Many are the Cheviots' records of invasions, of reivers' raids, and of smuggling frays; but these will be noticed under the parishes of Yetholm, Morebattle, Hounam, Jedburgh, Southdean, and Castleton.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 17, 1863-64.

Chicken Head (Gael. *Cann na Cìre*), a headland (211 feet) in Stornoway parish, Lewis, Ross-shire, at the southern extremity of the Aird, flanking the E side of the entrance of Loch Stornoway.

Chirnside, a village and a parish of E Berwickshire. The village is 5 miles WSW of Ayton and 1 mile E by S of Chirnside station, on the Berwickshire branch (1863) of the North British, this being $26\frac{3}{4}$ miles NE of St Boswells, $4\frac{3}{4}$ NE of Duns, 4 SSW of Reston Junction, and $50\frac{1}{2}$ ESE of Edinburgh. It consists of two streets, straggling for nearly a mile along the brow of Chirnside Hill, and commands a wide prospect, from the sea to the Cheviots and the heights of Teviotdale; but it lies withal somewhat exposed. At it are a post office, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank, an inn, gas and water works, a reading room and library, the parish church (rebuilt 1878), a Free, a U.P., and an Episcopal church. In the patronage formerly of the Collegiate church of Dunbar, the old parish church was a venerable structure, with a Norman W

doorway. A fair, of trifling importance, falls on the last Thursday of November. Pop. (1861) 901, (1871) 852, (1881) 939, (1891) 854.

The parish, containing also the hamlet of Edington, 2 miles E by S, is bounded N by Coldingham, E by Ayton and Foulden, S by Hutton and Edrom, and W by Bunkle. It has an utmost length from E to W of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an utmost breadth from N to S of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 5569 acres, of which $16\frac{1}{2}$ are water. WHITADDER Water, winding $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles eastward, roughly traces all the southern boundary; whilst its affluent, Bilymaire Burn, rises in the NW corner of the parish, and, first striking $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ENE, next flows 2 miles WSW along the northern, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S by W along the western, border. The surface sinks in the extreme SE to a little below 100 feet above sea-level, and rises thence in a long north-westerly ridge to 244 feet near Oxward and 466 on Chirnside Hill, which culminates 5 furlongs ENE of the village. The soil almost everywhere is very fertile; and, with the exception of some 370 acres of plantation and 88 of roads and railway, the entire area is in a high state of cultivation. Ninewells woollen factory, an extensive paper-mill (1841) at Chirnside Bridge, and Edington saw-mills, also furnish employment. Besides the bridge which crosses the Whitadder at Chirnside Bridge hamlet, there is a railway bridge. MAINES and NINEWELLS, the latter interesting from its connection with the two David Humes, are the chief mansions; and 5 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 7 of from £50 to £100, and 10 of from £20 to £50. Among former ministers were Henry Erskine (1624-96), grand sire of the Secession, to whom a monument, 25 feet high, was erected in the churchyard in 1826; and William Anderson, D.D. (d. 1800), the author of three ponderous histories. Chirnside is the seat of a presbytery in the synod of Merse and Teviotdale; the living is worth £424. A public school at the village, with accommodation for 304 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 216, and a grant of £213. Valuation £13,226, 6s. Pop. (1801) 1147, (1831) 1248, (1861) 1502, (1871) 1413, (1881) 1516, (1891) 1459.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 34, 1864.

The presbytery of Chirnside comprises the old parishes of Chirnside, Ayton, Coldingham, Coldstream, Edrom, Eyemouth, Foulden, Hutton, Ladykirk, Mordington, Swinton, and Whitsome, with the *quoad sacra* parish of Houndwood. Pop. (1871) 17,019, (1881) 18,337, (1891) 15,900, of whom 3835 were communicants of the Church of Scotland, the sums raised that year by the above 13 congregations in Christian liberality amounting to £1125. A Free Church presbytery is designated of Duns and Chirnside.

Chisholm, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Robertson parish, W Roxburghshire, near the right bank of Borthwick Water, $7\frac{3}{4}$ miles WSW of Hawick.

Chisholm, an estate in Kilmorack and Kiltarlity parishes, NW Inverness-shire. It comprises about 900 acres of arable land in Kilmorack, and 750 in Kiltarlity, besides a vast extent of woodland, mountain pasture, and picturesque Highland scenery. Its principal seat is ECHLESS Castle, and it has also a romantic shooting-ledge on Loch AFFRIC. A mountain defile in it bears the name of Chisholm's Pass, and forms the entrance to Strathaffric. The ascent to it commands north-eastward, or behind, a noble vista of Strathglass, and in front overlooks a wooded, rocky, impetuous reach of the river Affric, with several cascades from 10 to 30 feet high; the pass itself is successively a rapid ascent and a level reach, and exhibits, on a grand scale, a wealth and multitude of features similar to those of Rothiemurchus, Killycrankie, and the Trossachs.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 72, 73, 1880-78.

Choaric or **An Corr-eilean**, an islet of Durness parish, NW Sutherland, in Loch Eriboll, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from its head. Extending from NNE to SSW, it has an extreme length and breadth of $\frac{3}{4}$ mile and $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlong, exclusive of foreshore; it rises 74 feet above sea-level, is green and fertile, and contains an ancient disused burying-ground.

Choin, Loch. See BLAIR AFOLE.

Chon, a lonely loch in Aberfoyle parish, SW Perthshire, 7 miles WNW of Aberfoyle hamlet, 7 ESE of Inversnaid, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of the upper waters of Loch Katrine. Lying 290 feet above sea-level, it has an utmost length from NNW to SSE of $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile, whilst its width varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and 3 furlongs. The Avondu, or northern head-stream of the Forth, flows through it to Loch Arl; mid-way along its eastern shore are three little islets, on which there was formerly a herony; and around it rise Caisteal Corrach (1075 feet) and Stron Lochie (1643), backed by Ben Venue (2393), and Beinn Uaimhe (1962), Beinn Dubh (1675), and Mullan an t-Sagairt (1398), backed by Ben Lomond (3192). Its shores are clothed with natural copse-wood; and its waters abound with trout, averaging $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. The western shore is closely skirted by the Loch Katrine Aqueducts of the Glasgow waterworks; and during their construction a temporary village, Sebastopol, arose near the head of the loch.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 38, 1871.

Christ's Kirk or **Rathmuriel**, an ancient parish now forming the eastern portion of Kennethmont parish, W Aberdeenshire. The church, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile WSW of Insh station, is in ruins; but its graveyard is still in use. On a green here was formerly held an annual fair on a night in the month of May, Christ's Fair or Sleepy Market, which by some antiquaries is supposed to be the theme of the famous poem of *Christ's Kirk on the Green*, commonly ascribed to James I. Christ's Kirk Hill (1621 feet) is on the E border of the parish, overhanging the rivulet Shevoch, and is divided only by the narrow valley of that stream from the abrupt isolated hill of Dunnedier (876 feet) in Insh.

Chroisg, Loch. See ROSQUE.

Chryston, a village and a *quoad sacra* parish in the E of Cadder parish, NW Lanarkshire. The village stands near the Monkland and Kirkintilloch railway, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Garnkirk station, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles ESE of Lenzie Junction, and 7 NE by E of Glasgow, under which it has a post office. At it are an inn, a beautiful Established church (1878; 800 sittings) with a fine spire, a Free church (1853), and two burying-grounds, in one of which is a neat granite monument to a native of Chryston, the weaver-poet Walter Watson (1780-1854). A public school, with accommodation for 463 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 232, and a grant of £235, 5s. The *quoad sacra* parish, constituted in 1834, and re-constituted in 1869, is in the presbytery of Glasgow and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. Pop. of village (1861) 582, (1871) 456, (1891) 899; of *q. s.* parish (1841) 2670, (1871) 3203, (1891) 3425.

Chuineag, Loch. See CHARNAC.

Cilla-Chuimein. See AUGUSTUS, FORT.

Cilliechrist. See KILCHRIST.

Cir Vohr. See ARRAN.

Clachaig, a hamlet in Dunoon parish, Cowall, Argyllshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Sandbank, on the road between the head of Holy Loch and the head of Loch Striven. It has a post office under Greenock and an inn; and near it are the Clyde powder-mills (closed).

Clachan (Gael. "a stone"), a village in Kilcalmonell parish, Argyllshire, near the NW coast of Kintyre, $7\frac{3}{4}$ miles NNE of Tayinloan. At it are a post office under Greenock, Kilcalmonell parish and Free churches, and a public school; whilst just to the E is Ballinakill House.

Clachan or **Loch a' Chlachain**, a lake in Daviot and Dunlichity parishes, Inverness-shire, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Inverness. Lying 683 feet above sea-level, it has an utmost length and breadth of $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ mile, receives one stream from Loch Dunt-clachaig, and sends off another to the Nairn. Its splendid trout-fishing has been much spoiled.

Clachan, a village in Kilmorich parish, N Cowal, Argyllshire, at the head of Loch Fyne, 8 miles NE of Inverary.

Clachan, a sound or strait between Seil island and the mainland of Lorn, Argyllshire. It resembles the Kyles of Bute, but is narrower, more diversified, and more richly picturesque; and it is spanned, at the narrowest part, by a one-arch bridge.

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Clachaneasy (Gael. *clachan Ioss*, 'Jesus hamlet'), a hamlet in Penninghame parish, E Wigtonshire, 8 miles N by W of Newton-Stewart.

Clachan-Heughs, a rocky headland in Kirkcolum parish, Wigtonshire, on the W side of Loch Ryan, 1½ mile N by E of Kirkcolum village.

Clachan-Inair, a place, with a sequestered and picturesquely-situated burying-ground, in the mouth of Glenmoriston, Inverness-shire.

Clachan of Glendaruel. See GLENDARUEL.

Clachantiompan, an ancient memorial stone in Foderty parish, Ross-shire, midway between Castle-Leod and Strathpeffer Spa. It is supposed to mark the place where one of the Monroes fell in a conflict with the Mackenzies of Seaforth.

Clachbhein, a hill 912 feet high in the N of Jura island, Argyllshire.

Clachmore, a hamlet in the parish and 4 miles W by S of the town of Dornoch, SE Sutherland. It has a post office, an inn, and a cattle fair on the Monday after the first Wednesday of May. Coal has been found in its vicinity.

Clachmore, a loch in the NW of Assynt parish, SW Sutherland, 7 miles NW of Lochinver. It has an utmost length and breadth of 3 and 2 furlongs, contains trout, running up to 3 lbs., and sends off a stream 3 furlongs WSW to the sea.

Clachnaben, a mountain in Strachan parish, Kincardineshire, flanking the SE bank of the Aan, and culminating 3 miles ENE of the summit of Mount Battock, and 9 SW of Banchoory. One of the eastern Grampians, it rises to an altitude of 1944 feet above sea-level; commands a view of the E of Scotland from Peterhead to the Lammermuirs; and is crowned by a mass of bare granite, 100 feet high, from which it is sometimes called the White Stone Hill. According to an old-world couplet—

'There are two landmarks out at sea,
Clachnabin and Bennachie.'

Clachnaharry, a straggling fishing village in Inverness parish, Inverness-shire, on Beaulie Firth, at the mouth of the Caledonian Canal, with a station on the Highland railway, 1½ mile NW of Inverness. It takes its name, signifying 'the watchman's stone,' from neighboring rocks where sentinels stood, in bygone times, to warn the townsmen of Inverness of the approach of any body of marauders; at it are a post office under Inverness, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 150 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 75, and a grant of £67, 2s. 6d. A pillar on the highest point of the adjacent rocks was erected by the late Major Duff of Muirton, to commemorate a battle said to have been fought in the vicinity in 1378, between the Monroes of Foulis and the Clan Chattan, and is visible over a great extent of surrounding country.

Clachnamban, two huge stones, the one incumbent on the other, in Alness parish, Ross-shire, on a dismal moor not far from Kildermory. They are purely natural objects, but they look, at first sight, like a work of art; and they are associated, in local tradition, with a wild old legend.

Clach-na-Ossian, a large stone on the banks of Almond Water, near the upper end of Glenalmond Pass, in Crieff parish, Perthshire, a little to the W of Dunmore Hill, and 5 miles S of Amulree. It is 8 feet high, and from 4 to 5 feet broad; and, about 1728 being removed from its original site at the forming of Wade's military road, it was found to cover a cavity 2 feet long, 1½ foot wide, and 2 feet deep, fenced with four stone slabs, and containing some bones and ashes. 'I have learned,' says Newte, who was here in 1791, 'that when Ossian's Stone was removed, and the coffin containing his supposed remains discovered, the people of the country for several miles around, to the number of three or four score of men, venerating the memory of the bard, rose with one consent, and carried away the bones, with bagpipes playing and other funeral rites, and deposited them with much solemnity within a circle

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of large stones, on the lofty summit of a rock, sequestered, and of difficult access, where they might never more be disturbed by mortal feet or hands, in the wild recesses of western Glenalmond.' Macculloch, ever at war with 'old poetic feeling,' discredits the story of Ossian's burial here, which Dr Donald Smith upheld most learnedly, and of which Wordsworth sings—

'Does then the Bard sleep here indeed?
Or is it but a groundless creed?
What matters it?—I blame them not
Whose fancy in this lonely spot
Was moved, and in such way expressed
Their notion of its perfect rest.
A convent, even a hermit's cell,
Would break the silence of this dell:
It is not quiet, is not ease,
But something deeper far than these;
The separation that is here
Is of the grave, and of austere
Yet happy feelings of the dead:
And, therefore, was it rightly said
That Ossian, last of all his race,
Lies buried in this lonely place.'

Clachshant or Clayshant, an ancient parish since 1650 included in Stoneykirk parish, SW Wigtonshire. Clachshant, signifying 'the holy stone,' was the original name; and Clayshant is a modern corruption. On Clayshant farm, close to the shore, are vestiges of the ancient church, which belonged to Whithorn priory.

Clackmannan, a town and a parish of Clackmannanshire. The town stands ¼ mile SSE of a station of its own name on the Stirling and Dunfermline section of the North British, and 2 miles E by S of Alloa, being built on an eminence which rises gently out of the carse plain to a height of 100 feet above the Forth. On either side the ground has a gradual descent; but to the W, where the old Tower is placed, it is bold and rocky. The view from there is singularly fine. To the W are seen Alloa, Stirling, and St Ninians, and all the country as far as Ben Lomond; on the N the prospect is bounded by the Ochils; S and E are the fertile fields of Stirlingshire, and the towns of Kincardine, Falkirk, and Linlithgow; whilst the foreground is filled by the Forth, expanding into a broad sheet of water, like a large inland lake. In the town itself, with a wide main street, but many poor houses, there is a ruined tower, an old market cross, surmounted by the arms of Bruce, and a pedestal-elevated whinstone, called the King's Stone. The tower, said commonly to have been built by King Robert Bruce, dates rather from the 15th century. Oblong in plan, with a short projecting wing, it is 79 feet high, its modern slated roof being gained by a spiral stair; and it retains the cellars, kitchen, barrel-vaulted hall, upper chamber, machiculis, corbie-stepped gables, and bartizan, with a 17th century belfry. Adjoining the tower stood the old mansion, the seat of the lineal descendants of that Robert Bruce to whom King David, his cousin, granted the castle and barony of Clackmannan in 1359. Here were preserved the sword and helmet of the great King Robert; and here with the sword Mrs Bruce of Clackmannan (1701-96), the last laird's widow, and a zealous Jacobite, knighted Robert Burns, 26th August, 1787. (See BROOMHALL and KENNEL.) In name at least Clackmannan remains the county town, but it is quite eclipsed by Alloa, under which it has a post office, with money order, etc., departments. The parish church (1815; 1250 sittings) has a lofty tower, on which a town clock was placed in 1866. There are also a Free and a U.P. church; a cemetery, opened in 1857; and a public hall, erected in 1888. The town is lighted by gas. Pop. (1891) 1779.

The parish contains also the villages of Sauchie, Fish Cross, Kennet, Westfield, and Forrestmill. It is bounded N by Tillicoultry and Dollar, NE by Muckart in Perthshire, E by Fossoway in Perthshire and Saline in Fife, SE by Culross and Tulliallan, SW by the Forth, and W by Alloa. Its length is about 5 miles; its width varies between 1½ and 5 miles. Its area was reduced to 8841 acres in 1891 through the transference by the Boundary Commissioners of its detached SAUCHIE section (1028 acres) to the parish of Alloa. The Forth, here from

3 to 7 furlongs broad, flows $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile along the SW border; and its affluent, the Black Devon, after tracing $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the Saline boundary, winds $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W and SW through the interior, sweeping round the NW base of the eminence on which the town is built, and lastly for $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles dividing Alloa from Clackmannan. On the NW border lies Gartmoor Dam ($6 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ furl.). The surface, for $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile from the Forth, is almost a dead level, part of the Carse of Clackmannan; thence it rises, with a general north-eastward ascent, to 117 feet near Kennet, 200 near Woodycett, 207 at Gartlove, 300 near Parklands, 265 at Meadowhill, and 365 at Weston. The rocks, to a great extent, are Carboniferous. Sandstone, of various qualities, is worked in several quarries; coal has been largely mined for upwards of two centuries; and ironstone is likewise plentiful. The soil exhibits a considerable diversity of character, but almost everywhere rests on a hard cold till. Nearly all the parish, with the exception of about one-fifth under wood, is either regularly or occasionally in tillage. There are in the parish a woollen factory, a vat-building establishment, two saw-mills, and a paper-mill; and on the Forth are two harbours, Clackmannan Pow and Kennet Pans. Schaw Park, Kennet House, Kennet Pans, Kilbagie, Aberdona, and Brucefield are the principal mansions; and 5 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 4 of between £100 and £500, 4 of from £50 to £100, and 23 of from £20 to £50. Clackmannan is in the presbytery of Stirling and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £334. It gives off a portion to the *quoad sacra* parish of Blairingone; and Sauchie was formed in 1877 into a separate *quoad sacra* parish. Clackmannan, Forrestmill, and Kennet public schools, with respective accommodation for 350, 94, and 121 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 315 day and 92 evening, 25, and 128, and grants of £275, 12s. 6d. and £38, 12s., £33, 2s., and £129, 5s. 9d. Valuation (1892) £16,193, 7s. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 1681, (1891) 2931; of civil parish (1801) 2961, (1831) 4266, (1861) 4425, (1871) 4653, (1881) 4541, (1891) 5072.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 39, 1869.

Clackmannan Pow, a harbour in Clackmannan parish, on the river Forth, at the mouth of the Black Devon, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE of Alloa. Its mean depth of water is 10 feet at the usual shipping place, and 20 at the merge of the Black Devon into the Forth.

Clackmannanshire, the smallest county in Scotland. It is bounded N by Perthshire, E by Perthshire and Fife, SW by the upper waters of the Forth of Forth, which divide it from the main body of Stirlingshire, and W by Stirlingshire and Perthshire. Its length from N to S varies between $2\frac{1}{2}$ and $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its greatest breadth from E to W is $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles. The Forth winds $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-eastward here, broadening from 1 furlong to 7; other streams are the DEVON, and, in CLACKMANNAN parish, the Black Devon. Gartmoor Dam ($6 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ furl.), on the mutual border of Alloa and Clackmannan parishes, is the only large sheet of water. The surface in the S is low and flat; in the centre is tumulated or moderately hilly; in the northern parishes of Tillicoultry and Dollar forms part of the Ochil Hills, including Benclench (2363 feet), the Law (2094), Kingseat Hill (2111), and Whitewisp Hill (2110). The rocks, in the S and the centre, are mainly Carboniferous; in the N, are eruptive. Sandstone and trap rock are abundant; coal is very extensively mined; ironstone is worked; and agates, topazes, other precious stones, and ores of copper, lead, antimony, cobalt, and silver, are found. The climate, in the S, is comparatively dry and warm; in the centre is somewhat moister and colder; in the N is drier and warmer than the altitudes and breaks of the Ochils might lead one to anticipate. The scenery is richly diversified and highly picturesque.

The soil, near the Forth and on parts of the banks of the Devon, is richly alluvial; in the central tracts, is generally of a light fine quality, but of no great depth, resting upon a gravelly bottom; in the N, among the Ochils, affords excellent pasturage for sheep. Agriculture is in a highly improved condition; and 49 farms

have each an extent not exceeding 5 acres; 45 have each from 5 to 20 acres; 17 have each from 20 to 50 acres; 23 have each from 50 to 100 acres; and 52 have each above 100 acres. Leases run 19 years or longer. Chief manufactures are woollen fabrics, muslins, camlets, ale, glass, iron, and ships; the commerce is concentrated at ALLOA. The Stirling and Dunfermline railway intersects the county east-south-eastward; a branch goes from that railway at Cambus to Menstrie and Alva; and the Devon Valley railway goes from the Stirling and Dunfermline at Alloa north-eastward to Dollar and Kumbing-Bridge, and communicates there with a railway to Kinross.

The Boundary Commissioners in 1891 made a considerable readjustment of the boundaries of Clackmannanshire as affected by the neighbouring counties of Stirling and Perth. The parish of Alva, after having added to it a part of the Clackmannan portion of the parish of Logie, has been transferred wholly from Stirlingshire to Clackmannanshire. The parish of Alloa received the second part of the Clackmannan portion of Logie parish, and also a detached portion of the parish of Clackmannan, but gave to Stirlingshire (to the parish of Logie) its Perthshire portion (about 4 acres). The third part of the Clackmannan portion of Logie parish was retained to Logie, and the reconstituted parish of Logie was placed wholly in Stirlingshire. The parish of Stirling was partly in Stirlingshire and partly in Clackmannanshire: the latter portion of the parish has been transferred to Stirlingshire. The towns are Alloa, Clackmannan, Dollar, and Tillicoultry; the chief villages, Tullibody, Coalsnagton, Devonside, Menstrie, Fish Cross, Sauchie, Newtonshaw, Kennet, Cambus, Collyland, Abbey, and part of Causewayhead. The principal mansions are Alloa Park, Schaw Park, Tullibody House, Cambus House, Tillicoultry House, Kennet House, Dollarfield, Hillfoot House, Harviestoun Castle, Aberdona, and Powis House. According to the latest *Miscellaneous Statistics of the United Kingdom*, 30,189 acres, with a total gross estimated rental of £97,482, were divided among 1227 proprietors, one holding 6163 acres (rental £9517), four together £18,506 (£18,550), two 3292 (£4339), three 2158 (£4693), eight 2058 (£10,295), four 300 (£1873), sixteen 402 (£4543), fifty-two 185 (£10,618), eleven hundred and thirty-seven 325 (£33,054).

The parishes are in the presbyteries of Stirling and Dunblane and synod of Perth and Stirling. The places of worship are 8 Established (5427 communicants in 1891), 3 Free Church (1841 communicants in 1891), 7 U.P. (2558 members in 1891), 1 Congregational, 1 Evangelical Union, 2 Baptist, 2 Episcopal, and 1 Roman Catholic. In the year ending 30 Sept. 1891, the county had 17 schools, 16 being public and 1 Roman Catholic. With total accommodation for 4988 children, these in that year had 4788 scholars on their registers, an average attendance of 3852, and grants amounting to £1986, 5s. 4d.

The county is governed by a lord-lieutenant, a vice-lieutenant, 3 deputy-lieutenants, a sheriff, a sheriff-substitute, and about 36 magistrates. The courts are held at ALLOA. The County Council is composed of twenty elected members for as many electoral divisions, besides six appointed by the parochial boards of Stirling, Alloa, Alva, Clackmannan, Tillicoultry, and Dollar (one each). It is divided into the following committees:—Finance Committee, Valuation Committee and Committee on Appeals, Contagious Diseases (Animals) Acts Committee (composed of county councillors and rated occupiers), Justices of the Peace Committee (transferred powers and duties), local committees on roads, health, drainage, and waterworks, for each of the Clackmannan, Tillicoultry, and Alva districts; and the Standing Joint Committee (partly county councillors and partly commissioners of supply). The Finance and the Local Committees each meet once a month, and the other committees as occasion requires. The county prison is at Alloa. The annual value of real property, assessed at £37,978 in 1815, was £155,349 in 1891. The county unites with Kinross-shire in sending a member to Parliament. The parliamentary

constituency in 1891 was 6042. Pop. (1881) 25,677, (1891) 28,492.

The registration county gives off the civil county's former part of Stirling parish to Stirlingshire, and of Logie parish to Perthshire; and had, in 1891, a population of 26,716. All the parishes are assessed for the poor; and all but Logie are included in Stirling combination. The number of registered poor, in the year ending 14 May, 1891, was 252. The number of pauper lunatics was 50, their cost being £1419.

The territory now forming Clackmannanshire belonged anciently to the Caledonian Damnonii. Its chief matters of historical interest are noticed under Clackmannan and Alloa; and its chief antiquities are a Caledonian stone circle in Tillicoultry parish, Clackmannan, Alloa, and Sauchie towers, Castle-Campbell, and Cambuskenneth Abbey.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 39, 1869.

Cladich, a hamlet in Glenorchy parish, Argyllshire, on the E shore of Loch Awe, $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles N of Inverary. It has a post office, an inn, and a public school.

Claig, a ruined fortalice in Killarrow and Kilmeny parish, Argyllshire, on Fraoch island, at the SE entrance of the Sound of Islay. Built by the Macdonalds, it was defended by a ditch, and served both to command the Sound and as a prison.

Claigeon, a small bay in Kildalton parish, on the E side of Islay island, Argyllshire.

Clairinch, a Loch Lomond islet of Buchanan parish, Stirlingshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ furlong SE of the middle part of Inchcailloch, and $\frac{3}{4}$ mile W by N of the mouth of the Endrick. It measures 2½ furlongs by 1, and is wooded.

Clairston, a modern mansion in the NW of Orphir parish, Orkney, on the coast, 15 miles WSW of Kirkwall. It was the residence of the late Lord Arundale.

Clamshell or Scallopshell, a cave in Staffa island, Argyllshire. It is 130 feet long and 30 high, whilst gradually contracting from a width of 17 feet at the entrance. One side consists of regular basaltic columns, so curved as to resemble the inner timbers of a ship; the other is a mural face so pitted with ends of basaltic columns as to look like the surface of a honeycomb.

Clainside, a Nairnshire hamlet, 4 miles from its post-town Nairn.

Clanyard, a bay of Kirkmaiden parish, SW Wigtownshire. The bay opens from the Irish Channel, to the N of Laggattalluch Head, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of the Mull of Galloway; and, triangular in outline, measures 2½ miles across the chord, and 1 mile thence to its inmost recess. It lies thoroughly exposed to all winds from the SE to the NNW. See CASTLE CLANYARD.

Claonaig, a burn in Saddle and Skipness parish, N Kintyre, Argyllshire, which, formed by the Larachmor and lesser head-streams, winds $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-eastward, past Skipness church, to Kilbrannan Sound, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Skipness Point. It abounds in trout and sea-trout.

Clar of Loch a'Chlair. See BADEN.

Clarebrand, a hamlet in Crossmichael parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Castle-Douglas. Here, half a century since, flourished two most original poets, John Gerrond, the blacksmith, and Samuel Wilson.

Clarencefield, a village in Ruthwell parish, Dumfriesshire, near Ruthwell station, under which it has a post office, and $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Annan.

Clarkston, a village in Cathcart parish, Renfrewshire, 1 mile NNW of Busby, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Glasgow. It has a station on the Glasgow, Busby, and East Kilbride railway. Pop. (1891) 825.

Clarkston, a village in New Monkland parish, and a *quoad sacra* parish partly also in Shotts parish, Lanarkshire. The village, standing near the right bank of North Calder Water, has a station on the main Bathgate line of the North British, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of Airdrie, of which it ranks as a suburb, and under which it has a post office. The parish, constituted in 1869, is in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr; its minister's stipend is £254. The church was built about 1830 as a chapel of ease. Pop. of *quoad sacra* parish (1871) 4902, (1881) 7073, (1891) 10,166.

Clashcarnach, a harbour in the N of Durness parish, Sutherland, 3 miles E of Cape Wrath. It has a slip for boats; and it is the landing place for commodities required by Cape Wrath lighthouse, but it is nearly inaccessible during high northerly winds.

Clashmack, a hill (1229 feet) in the parish and 2 miles SW of the town of Huntly, NW Aberdeenshire, between the rivers Bogie and Deveron.

Clashnessie, a bay and a hamlet in the NW of Assynt parish, SW Sutherland. The bay enters between the Point of Stoer and Oldany island; lies exposed to NW winds; and, excepting over a small space at its head, is properly no more than part of the Minch. The hamlet lies at the bay's head, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE of Stoer.

Clatchard. See ABDIE.

Clathick, an estate, with a mansion, in Monzievaird and Strowan parish, Perthshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Comrie. Its owner, Wm. Campbell Colquhoun, Esq. (b. 1838; suc. 1861), holds 1017 acres in the shire, valued at £666 per annum.

Clathy, a village, nearly in the centre of Findo-Gask parish, Perthshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Dunning station. Near it are the mansions of Clathy Park, Clathybeg, and Clathymore.

Clatt (Gael. *eleithe*, 'concealed'), a post-office village and a parish in the western extremity of Garioch district, Aberdeenshire. The village stands 3 miles SSW of Kennethmont station, this being $32\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Aberdeen; in 1501 it was erected by James IV. into a free burgh of barony, but its Tuesday market and its May and November fairs are now alike discontinued, and it consists to-day of mere vestiges of its former self, and of a few modern neighbouring erections called Hargdate of Clatt.

The parish is bounded NW by Rhyynie, NE by Kennethmont, E by Leslie, S by Tullynessle, and W by Auchindoir. Its greatest length from N to S is 4 miles; its breadth from E to W varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its land area is 5711 acres. The Water of BOGIE flows $\frac{1}{2}$ mile along the Rhyynie border, and its affluent, the Burn of Kearn, traces $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles of the western boundary, but the drainage is mainly carried eastward by head-streams of GADIE Burn. Of several chalybeate springs, one upon Correen is the most remarkable. The surface nowhere sinks below 550 feet above sea-level, whilst rising to 765 near Boghead, between the Burns of Gadie and Kearn, and to 1443 and 1588 feet on the Hill of Auchmedden and the Mire of Midgates, which culminate close to the southern border, and belong to the Correen Hills. Granite, whinstone, and clay-slate are the prevailing rocks; and the soils range from a rich deep loam to light sandy earth, mixed with decomposed slate and small stones. Little more than one-half of the entire area is in tillage, about 300 acres being planted, and the rest being either pasture or waste. Remains of a 'Druidical circle,' 20 yards in diameter, are in the northern division of the parish, where also upwards of twenty tumuli were discovered in 1838. In the SW corner was fought the clan battle of Tillyangus (1571), in which the Forbesees were worsted by the Gordons. KNOCKESPOCK is the only mansion; and the property is divided among two proprietors holding each an annual value of more, and three of less, than £100. Clatt is in the presbytery of Alford and synod of Aberdeen; the living is worth £165. A pre-Reformation structure, as witnessed by a carved tabernacle and a piscina found in it, the church was almost rebuilt in 1799, and resented in 1828, containing now 342 sittings. A public school, with accommodation for 117 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 77, and a grant of £68, 18s. Valuation £4101, 7s. 7d. Pop. (1801) 433, (1821) 551, (1871) 483, (1891) 458.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 76, 1874.

Clattering Briggs, a village in the parish and near the station of Longforgan, SE Perthshire, 6 miles WSW of Dundee.

Clatto, an estate in St Andrews and Kemback parishes, NE Fife. Its mansion stands near Blebo Craigs, on the southern slope of Clatto Hill (547 feet), 5 miles W by S of St Andrews. Its late owner was Sir Jn. Law,

K.C.B., G.C.S.I. (1788-1880), a distinguished Indian general.

Clauhan. See CLACHAN.

Clauhandolly, a hamlet in Borge parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW by S of Kirkcudbright.

Clava, a dismal plain in the Inverness-shire section (since 1891) of Croy and Dalross parish, on the right bank of the river Nairn, 6 miles E of Inverness, and opposite Culloden battlefield. It contains a very striking assemblage of ancient Caledonian stone circles and cairns. The circles vary from 36 to 420 feet in circumference, and many of them seem unfinished. Four of the cairns appear to have been constructed out of pre-existent circles; and one of them, on being cleared away, was found to conceal a passage leading to a circular convex chamber, 12 feet in diameter and 10 feet high. In the summer of 1881 the fallen standing stones were again set up, and the ground was cleared around the largest circle, when causewayed paths were discovered, leading from the base of the cairn to three of the outer standing stones. A great number of 'cup-markings' have also been recently found on stones in this locality.

Claven. See DUNDONALD.

Claverhouse, a hamlet and a bleachfield in Mains parish, Forfarshire. The village stands on Dighty Water, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, N by E of Dundee, under which it has a post office. The bleachfield adjoins the hamlet, and is a very extensive establishment for the boiling and bleaching of yarn and linen cloth. Claverhouse mansion, which stood a little to the N, was the family seat of John Graham of Claverhouse, Viscount Dundee (1643-89), the 'Bloody Claver's' of the Covenanters, the 'Bonnie Dundee' of the Jacobites; its site is now occupied by a modern monumental structure, in the form of a ruin.

Claybarns, a village in Newton parish, Edinburghshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of Dalkeith.

Clayhouses, a village in Borthwick parish, Edinburghshire, near Gorebridge station.

Clayland. See CLELAND.

Claypotts, an old castle in the E of Dundee parish, Forfarshire, 1 mile NW of Broughty Ferry. It is popularly regarded as the residence of a mistress of Cardinal Beaton; but it really was not built for some years after the cardinal's assassination. The legend of its brownie is given in Chambers's *Popular Rhymes of Scotland*.

Clayquhat, a mansion in the northern division of Blairgowrie parish, Perthshire, 7 miles NNW of Blairgowrie town.

Clayshank. See CLACHSHANT.

Clearburn, a loch on the mutual border of Yarrow and Ettrick parishes, Selkirkshire, 9 miles ESE of the head of St Mary's Loch. Lying nearly 1000 feet above sea-level, it measures $2\frac{1}{2}$ furlongs by 1; and sends off a streamlet of its own name, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile west-south-westward, to Rankle Burn, at the site of Buccleuch Castle.

Cleat, an estate, with a mansion, in Westray island, Orkney. The mansion stands near Pierwall village, 20 miles N of Kirkwall.

Cleaven Dyke. See CAPUTH.

Cleddin, a burn in Old Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire. Part of the fosse of Antoninus' Wall is traceable in a field near it.

Cleghorn, a mansion, an estate, and a station in Lanark parish, Lanarkshire. The mansion stands near the station, on the right bank of Mouse Water, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Lanark town, and is an old but comfortable edifice, surrounded by a finely-wooded park. Its owner, Wm. Eliot Lockhart, Esq. (b. 1833; suc. 1878), holds 2280 acres in the shire, valued at £2554 per annum. The estate includes a romantic ravine along the course of Mouse Water; had anciently a chapel; and contains vestiges of a Roman camp, 600 yards long and 420 broad, supposed to have been formed by Agricola. The station is on the Glasgow and Carstairs section of the Caledonian railway, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Carstairs; and adjoins the junction of the branch line to Lanark and Douglas.

Cleish, a village and a parish in the S of Kinross-

shire. The village stands near the left bank of Gairney Water, 3 miles from Kinross, under which it has a post office.

The parish is bounded N by Fossoway and Kinross, NE by Portnoak, E by Ballyngry, S by Beath and Dunfermline, W by Dunfermline, and NW by Fossoway. In 1891 that part of the parish of Dunfermline which lay north of the south march of Moreland, and was said to be in the county of Kinross, was declared by the Boundary Commissioners so to be, and annexed to the parish of Cleish. Black Loch (2×1 furl.) and Loch Glow ($6 \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ furl.) lie on the Dunfermline border; near them, in the interior, are the still finer Lurg and Dow Lochs. The Pow Burn traces the north-western, Gairney Water the northern, and the early course of the sluggish ORK great part of the southern boundary; and the two first receive from the interior ten or twelve northward-flowing rivulets. In the E are Blairadam Inn (337 feet above sea-level), Brackly Wood (1072) on a western outskirt of BENARTY, and Blackdub (393); westward, the surface attains 707 feet near Blairadam, 933 in Cowden Wood, 589 near West Mains, and 1240 on Dunglow, the highest of the Cleish Hills. The rocks are variously eruptive, Silurian, and Carboniferous. Basalt is quarried, and excellent sandstone is plentiful; good limestone occurs, and coal was formerly worked. The arable soil in the W is clay; further E is good loam; still further E is gravel and sand; in the SE is stiff retentive loam; and elsewhere is of various character. The grass on the highest hills is of fine quality, and forms excellent pasture for sheep. Traces of an ancient fort or camp are on one of the summits of the Cleish Hills; and urns, containing human bones and pieces of charcoal, have been found under former cairns. A rock, the Lecture Stone, is in a stone dyke $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E of the parish church; and was used in pre-Reformation days as a rest for the coffin during the reading of the burial service. A stone, inserted in a bridge at the E end of the parish, bears an inscription indicating the road here to have been that by which Queen Mary fled from Loch Leven Castle. The school-house, in which the poet Michael Bruce (1746-67) was schoolmaster, stood on what now is the farmstead of Gairney Bridge; and the public house, in which Ebenezer Erskine and the three other fathers of the Secession formed themselves into a presbytery (15 Dec. 1733), stood on the site of that farmstead's stables. The principal mansions are BLAIRADAM and Cleish Castle. The latter, 7 furlongs W of the village, is a fine old structure; its owner, Harry Young, Esq. (b. 1816; suc. 1840), holds 1910 acres in the shire, valued at £1979, 10s. per annum. Eight lesser proprietors hold each an annual value of upwards of £50. Cleish is in the presbytery of Kinross and synod of Fife; the living is worth £162. The church, rebuilt in 1832, is a very neat edifice containing over 400 sittings; a public school, with accommodation for 81 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 76, and a grant of £83, 9s. Pop. (1881) 498, (1891) 530.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Cleland, a village and *quoad sacra* parish of N Lanarkshire, chiefly in Shotts parish, but partly also in Bothwell. The village has a station on the Morningside branch of the Caledonian, and stands near the left bank of South Calder Water, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Motherwell, under which it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. It mainly depends on the large neighbouring collieries; at it are the Established church (1877), a Free church, and St Mary's Roman Catholic church (1877), to the last of which, designed by Messrs. Pugin, a presbytery was added in 1881. Cleland and Omoa public school and Cleland Roman Catholic school, with respective accommodation for 300 and 271 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 323 and 269 day and 203 evening scholars, and grants of £312 2s. 10d. and £257, 4s. 6d. and £127, 16s. respectively. Pop. of village (1861) 1233, (1871) 819, (1881) 1503, (1891) 1974; of *q. s.* parish (1891) 3319.

Cleland and Midcalder Railway. See CALEDONIAN RAILWAY.

Clephantown, a village in Croy parish, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of the town of Nairn, near the left bank of Nairn river.

Clepington. See DUNDEE.

Clerkington, an estate, with a mansion, in Haddington parish, Haddingtonshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Haddington town. Its owner, Major James Flower Houston (b. 1842; suc. 1879), holds 5148 acres in the shire, valued at £2268 per annum.

Clerkston. See CLAEKSTON.

Clermiston, an estate, with a mansion, in Corstorphine parish, Edinburghshire. The mansion stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of Corstorphine village, and was built in 1792, at a cost of £3000. The estate belonged in 1771 to the eminent physician Sir Alexander Dick, forming till then a part of the barony of Corstorphine, and was afterwards sold to Samuel Mitchelson, who built the mansion. Sold again in 1795 to George Robinson for £11,000, and yet again in 1836 to Francis Jeffrey, Lord Jeffrey, for £15,250, it is now the property of Wm. Macfie, Esq., who owns 124 acres in the shire, valued at £443 per annum.

Clett, a rocky islet of Thurso parish, Caithness, about 80 yards from the extremity of Holburn Head. Rising to a considerable height from the sea, it is covered in summer by vast flocks of sea-fowl, and offers a grand appearance amid the surf of billows during storms.

Cleugh, a burn in Sorn parish, Ayrshire, rising, at 980 feet above sea-level, on the NW slope of Blackside, and running 4 miles south-westward to the river Ayr, between Sorn Castle and Sorn church. It intersects the castle grounds, traversing a richly-wooded glen, and making several romantic falls.

Cleughearn, a shooting-lodge of the Earl of Eglinton, in East Kilbride parish, Lanarkshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of East Kilbride station.

Cleugh-Heads. See APFLEGARTH.

Clickamier, a lake near Lerwick, Shetland. It has an island crowned with one of the largest round towers or burghs in Shetland; and, being partially drained in 1874, it was found to contain, at its southern extremity, some curious ancient sepulchral remains.

Cliff, a sound or strait and a hill-ridge in the SW of Shetland. The sound separates West Baray island from the Quarff district of the mainland; measures $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles in length, and from nearly $\frac{1}{2}$ mile to 2 miles in width; has a depth of 8 or 10 fathoms; is flanked, on both sides, by high grounds; and cannot be safely navigated in stormy weather. The hill-ridge, in Quarff district, flanking the eastern shore of the sound, has a maximum altitude of more than 500 feet.

Cliff, a beautiful loch in Unst island, Shetland, the largest of several in the valley which bisects the island from end to end. It measures about 3 miles by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; contains loch-trout, running 3 to the lb.; receives the Burn of Bahasta; and sends off Cliff Burn to the Bay of Burrafrith.

Clifton, a village in Killin parish, Perthshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of Tyndrum station. Lead mines, belonging to the Marquis of Breadalbane on the top of a hill $\frac{3}{4}$ mile WSW, employed over 100 men in 1839, but are now discontinued.

Clifton, the seat of malleable iron works in Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, merged in the burgh of Coatbridge. It has numerous iron-smelting furnaces and several rolling mills.

Clifton Hall, a mansion in the Edinburghshire section of Kirkliston parish, standing amid a beautiful park, which is bounded by the river Almond and the Union Canal, 2 miles W of Ratho. Its owner, Sir Jas. Ramsay-Gibson-Maitland, fourth Bart. since 1818 (b. 1848; suc. 1876), holds 4505 acres in the shire, valued at £14,246 per annum.

Clifton Park, an estate in Morebattle and Linton parishes, NE Roxburghshire. The mansion on it is in Linton parish, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of Morebattle village; its owner, Rt. Hy. Elliot, Esq. (b. 1837; suc. 1873), holds 5258 acres in the shire, valued at £5178 per annum.

Clifton Hill (905 feet), $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles to the E, is a beautiful dome-shaped eminence, on the right bank of Bowmont Water.

Clintmains, a hamlet in Merton parish, SW Berwickshire, near the left bank of the Tweed, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of St Boswells, under which it has a post office.

Clints of Drumore, a height (950 feet) in the NE of Kirkmabreck parish, SW Kirkeudbrightshire, 9 furlongs N of Drumore station.

Clintwood, a vanished castle in Castleton parish, Roxburghshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NE of Newcastleton.

Clippens-Square. See BALAKLAVA.

Cloanden, an estate, with a mansion, near Auchterarder, SE Perthshire. Its owner, Robert Haldane, Esq., holds 747 acres in the shire, valued at £683 per annum.

Clober, an extensive bleachfield and a mansion in New Kilpatrick parish, on Allander Water, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNW of Milngavie. The mansion is a modern edifice, in the old English manor style.

Cloch, a small headland in Inverkip parish, Renfrewshire, at the southward bend of the Firth of Clyde, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile E by S of Dunoon, 3 miles SSE of Strone Point, and $3\frac{3}{4}$ SSW of Barons Point. It has a lighthouse, a circular tower rising 76 feet above the water's level, built in 1797, and showing a fixed white light visible at a distance of 14 miles, and a fog signal, consisting of two differently pitched steam whistles; and it commands a very brilliant view of the opposite shores of the Firth.

Clochan, a village in Rathven parish, NW Banffshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles S by E of Port-Gordon. It has a post office under Buckie.

Clochcan, a hamlet in Old Deer parish, NE Aberdeenshire, 3 miles SW of Stuartfield. A public school at it, with accommodation for 100 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 99, and a grant of £77, 15s. 8d.

Clochnabane. See CLACHNABEN.

Clochoderick, a huge isolated rock on the SW border of Kilbarchan parish, Renfrewshire, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Kilbarchan town. It measures 22 feet in length, 17 in breadth, and 12 in height; consists of greenstone, the same in kind as that of neighbouring hills; and has been deemed 'Druidical,' but appears to be nothing more than a fragment of a compact hill mass, gradually isolated by the slow disintegration and washing away of surrounding softer portions of trap rock.

Clocksbriggs, a railway station near the mutual boundary of Forfar and Rescobie parishes, Forfarshire, on the Arbroath and Forfar railway, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Forfar.

Cloffin, a burn in the W of Moffat parish, Dumfriesshire. Formed by three head-streams, it runs 2 miles eastward to Evan Water, at a point $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Moffat town.

Cloghill, an estate, with a mansion, in Newhills parish, Aberdeenshire, 5 miles W by N of Aberdeen.

Clola, a hamlet in Old Deer parish, E Aberdeenshire, 3 miles S of Mintlaw, under which it has a post office. At it is also a Free church, rebuilt about 1863.

Cloncaird Castle, a mansion in Kirkmichael parish, Ayrshire, on the right bank of Girvan Water, 5 miles ESE of Maybole. Dating partly from the 16th century, with a huge square tower, it received additions in 1814, forming an entirely new front.

Clonyard. See COLVEND.

Closeburn (12th century *Kylosburn*, 'church of Osbern'), a village and a parish of Nithsdale, Dumfriesshire. The village, standing 238 feet above sea-level, has a station on the Glasgow and South-Western railway, $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Dumfries, $2\frac{1}{2}$ SSE of Thornhill, and $8\frac{1}{2}$ SSE of Glasgow; at it are a post office under Thornhill, an inn, and a Free church.

The parish is bounded N by Crawford in Lanarkshire, NE by Kirkpatrick-Juxta, E by Kirkmichael, SE by Kirkmahoe, SW by Keir, and NW by Morton. Its greatest length, from N by E to S by W, is $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles; from E to W it has a varying breadth of 5 and $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles, whilst in the S converging to a point; and its area is 29,347 $\frac{1}{2}$

acres, of which 245½ are water. The *NITH* flows 1½ mile S by E through the western corner of the parish, then 5½ miles SSE along the boundary with Keir; the Water of *AE*, hurrying 8 miles southward from its source upon Queensberry Hill on its way toward Kinnel Water, and so to the Annan, roughly traces all the eastern border; whilst from Morton Closeburn is parted by *CAMPLE* Water, winding southward and westward to the Nith. A number of burns run to these streams from the interior—*HEN GRAIN*, *CLERK GRAIN*, *PISLACK BURN*, *BRAN BURN*, *CAPEL WATER*, and *WINDYGILL BURN*, south-eastward to the *AE*; *CRICHOPE BURN*, south-westward to the *CAMPLE*; and *CLAUCHRIE BURN*, southward to the Nith. Of these the most notable is *CRICHOPE BURN*, which, rising in a moss near the northern extremity of the parish, forms, not far from its source, a beautiful cascade, the 'Grey Mare's Tail,' over a precipice of nearly 100 feet in sheer descent. Half a mile lower down the water has, in the course of ages, hollowed out to itself a narrow passage through a mass of red freestone, where a peculiarly romantic linn is upwards of 100 feet from top to bottom, and, although 20 feet deep, is yet so strait at its head that one might easily clear it, but for the yawning gulf below and the din of the water running its dark course. 'Inaccessible in great measure to man, this linn,' says the *Old Statistical*, 'was deemed the habitation of imaginary beings, and at the entrance there was a curious cell, the "Ell's Kirk," which, proving a good freestone quarry, has lately been demolished, and from the haunt of elves has been converted into abodes for men. In the days of the Covenanters, the religious, flying from their persecutors, found a safe hiding-place in *CRICHOPE LINN*; and a chair, cut out by Nature in the rock, was in later times the resort of a shoemaker, and ever since has borne the name of the "Sutor's Seat." By Sir Walter Scott, in his *Old Mortality*, this place was chosen for Balfour of Burley's lair. The only two sheets of water now of any size are *Loch Ettrick* (2¼ × 1 furl.) and *Townhead Loch* (2¼ × 1 furl.), *Castle Loch* having been drained in 1859. Where the Nith quits the parish, close to *Auldgrith* station, the surface sinks to 92 feet above sea-level, thence rising northward and north-north-eastward to 784 feet near *High Auldgrith*, 847 at *Clauchrhie Hill*, 1011 at *Auchencairn Height*, 1006 at *Glencorse Hill*, 1156 at *Great Hill*, 1045 at *Sowens Knowe*, 1431 at *Queen Hill*, 1675 at *Wee Queensberry*, 2285 at *QUEENSBERRY*, 1989 at *Garroch Fell*, and 2190 at *Gana Hill*, which culminates right on the Lanarkshire border. The rocks are chiefly Silurian and Devonian. Laminated sandstone, suitable for paving and slating, and limestone, have both been largely worked, the latter since 1770. The only ground comparatively level, between the railway and the Nith, has a fine rich loamy soil, which on the lower uplands changes to light dry earth, and further N to desolate moss and moor. Along the Nith the parish is finely planted, containing 1158 acres of woodlands; but few of the trees are more than 80 years old. Near the Castle is a sulphureous, and at *Town-Cleugh*, a chalybeate, spring. About a mile of the *CATELAI* may be traced near *Town-fell farm-stead*; on *Barmuir Hill* is a 'Druidical' circle; and at different points there are seven tumuli and six cairns, the largest of which, *Mid* and *Pottis Shank Cairns*, are respectively 217 and 220 feet in circumference, and 12 and 9 feet high. Bronze celts and tripods have also been discovered, and two Roman cinerary urns were examined in 1828 in the garden of *Wallace Hall*. Closeburn's most interesting antiquity, however, is *Closeburn Castle*, a quadrangular tower, which, 56 feet high, has walls from 6 to 12 feet high, and consists of a ground-floor and three vaulted apartments. *Hill Burton* describes it as a featureless Scotch peel, which never seems to have possessed the Norman archway depicted in *Grose's Antiquities*; but, according to *Dr Ramage*, the Norman mouldings have in reality been plastered over. The barony of *Kylosbern* belonged to the crown in the reign of *David I.* (1123-54); his grandson, *Alexander II.*, confirmed its possession, in 1232, to *Ivan de Kirkpatrick*, ancestor of that *Roger de*

Kirkpatrick who in 1305 'made seicar' of the *Red Comyn* at *Dumfries*, and also of the *Empress Eugenie*. *Thomas Kirkpatrick*, for loyalty to *Charles I.*, in 1685 received a baronetcy, the eighth and present holder of which is *Sir James Kirkpatrick* (b. 1841; suc. 1880); but the estate was sold in 1783 to the *Rev. Jas. Stuart-Menteth*, and in 1852 to *Douglas Baird, Esq.*, whose twin co-heiresses, *Mrs Fred. Ern. Villiers* and the *Countess of Enniskillen*, together hold 13,550 acres in the shire, valued at £11,219 per annum. A mansion built by the first baronet was, through the carelessness of drunken servants, burned to the ground on the night of 29 Aug. 1748, with all the family papers, portraits, and plate; the present *Closeburn Hall* is a very fine Grecian edifice. *Wallace Hall School*, giving education in English, mathematics, and modern and classical languages, was founded in 1723 by *Jn. Wallace*, merchant in *Glasgow*, and a native of *Closeburn*. The dwelling-house was built in 1795, and the whole was greatly improved in 1842; *Crauford Tait Ramage, LL.D.* (1803-81), a zealous antiquary and man of letters, was rector from 1841. Natives of *Closeburn* were *Dr John Hunter* (1746-1837) and the *Rev. Dr Gillespie* (1778-1844), both professors of humanity at *St Andrews*, and *Dr Aglionby Ross Carson* (1780-1850), rector of *Edinburgh High School*; *Rt. Paterson* ('*Old Mortality*') has likewise been claimed, but really was born in *Hawick*. The fanatical *Elspeth Buchan*, with several of her followers, lodged in the outhouses of *New Cample farm*—now '*Buchan Ha'*'—from April 1784 to March 1787; once she was assailed as a witch, but protected by the sheriff, who afterwards tried 42 of the rioters. *Closeburn* has memories, too, of *Burns*, who about 1788 paid many a visit at the old castle to *Willie Stewart*, the father of '*Lovely Polly*,' and factor to *Mr Menteth* (*W. M'Dowall's Burns in Dumfriesshire*, pp. 22-25). Four proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, and 3 of from £20 to £100. Comprising the ancient parish of *Dalgarnock* since 1697, *Closeburn* is in the presbytery of *Penpont* and synod of *Dumfries*; the living is worth £344. The church (1741; 650 sittings) is rather dilapidated, and there is some talk of building a new one on a different site. There is also a Free church; and *Closeburn* and *Lakehead* (girls') public schools, and *Gubhill* and *Wallace Hall Academy*, with respective accommodation for 66, 110, 40, and 314 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 47, 45, 18, and 185, and grants of £30, 16s., £33, 15s., £29, 9s., and £168, 12s. 6d. Valuation £18,333, 11s. Pop. (1851) 1792, (1861) 1651, (1871) 1612, (1881) 1512, (1891) 1333.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 9, 10, 15, 16, 1863-64. See pp. 167-304 of *C. T. Ramage's Drumlanrig Castle and Closeburn* (*Dumf.* 1876).

Clouden. See *CLUDEN*.

Clousta, a bay or voe in *Sandsting* and *Aithsting* parish, *Shetland*, penetrating the land for 1½ mile in a southerly and south-easterly direction. It affords excellent anchorage and good shelter.

Clouva, a hamlet and a *quoad sacro* parish of *N Forfarshire*, in *Cortachy* and *Clouva* parish. The hamlet, *Milton* of *Clouva*, stands, at 800 feet above sea-level, on the left bank of the *South Esk*, 1½ mile SSW of *Loch Brandy*, 15 miles N by *W* of *Kirriemuir*, and 19 S by *W* of *Ballater*; at it are a good inn, a public school, the church, almost rebuilt in 1730, and a Roman Catholic chapel. Its padlocked jousts were presented in 1870 to the *Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum*. On a neighbouring knoll are the ruins of a castle, the seat once of a branch of the *Ogilvies*. The parish is in the presbytery of *Forfar* and synod of *Angus* and *Mearns*; its minister's stipend is £105. Pop. (1871) 151, (1881) 105, (1891) 127.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 65, 1870.

Clouva House. See *AUCHINDOIR* and *KEARN*.

Clovenfords, a small village in *Caddonfoot quoad sacra* parish, and in the *Selkirkshire* section of *Stow* parish, on the left bank of *Caddon Water*, 9 furlongs N of its influx to the *Tweed*, and 3¼ miles W of *Galashiels*. At it are a station on the *Peebles* and *Galashiels* section of the *North British*, a post office under *Galashiels*, with money order and savings bank departments,

an inn, and the Tweed vineries, a splendid establishment heated by 5 miles of hot-water pipes, and yielding yearly 15,000 lbs. of grapes. John Leyden was schoolmaster here in 1792; Scott often came hither in the fishing season; and Wordsworth and his sister Dorothy here passed the night of 18 Sept. 1803.

Cloulin, a village in the district and 1 mile WSW of the village of Ardour, N Argyllshire, near the W shore of Loch Linnhe.

Clow, a burn in Pettinain parish, Lanarkshire, running to the Clyde.

Cloy, a burn on the E side of Arran, Buteshire. It rises at 1480 feet above sea-level, and runs 4 miles NE and N by W to a confluence with the Shurtz and Rosie Burns, their united waters entering Brodick Bay $\frac{1}{4}$ mile further N.

Cluany, Loch. See CLUNIE.

Cluden, a small river of Kirkcudbright and Dumfriesshire. It is formed by the confluence of the CAIRN and Old Water of Cluden, close to the beautiful Routing Bridge, on the mutual boundary of Kirkpatrick-Irongray parish in Kirkcudbrightshire, and Holywood in Dumfriesshire, $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles WNW of Dumfries by road. Thence it winds $6\frac{3}{4}$ miles east-south-eastward along the boundary between the shires, and falls into the 'sweeping Nith' at Lincluden, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of Dumfries. It figures in our pastoral poetry as 'lonely Cluden's hermit stream,' but nevertheless has a soft and lovely character, connected rather with fields and woods and lawns than sheepwalks. It contains large yellow trout and a few pike; and is ascended by salmon, grilse, sea-trout, and herlings. Its salmon are a distinct variety from those of the Nith, thicker and shorter in the body, much shorter in the head, and generally of a darker hue.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 9, 1863.

Cluden, Old Water of. See OLD WATER.

Cluggy. See CASTLECLUGGY.

Clumlee, a hamlet and a headland in the E of Dunrossness parish, Shetland, 17 miles SSW of Lerwick.

Clune, an estate in the E of Carnock parish, Fife, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Dunfermline. It contains Balclune and Easter Clune hamlets; and includes rising grounds which command magnificent views.

Clunes, a station in Kirkhill parish, N Invernesshire, on the Highland railway, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by N of Inverness. Near it is Clunes mansion.

Clunie (Gael. *cluaine*, 'place of the good pasture'), a parish in Stormont district, NE Perthshire, whose church, on the W shore of the Loch of Clunie, is $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S of the post-town, Blairgowrie, and which contains the post-office hamlet of Forneth. It is bounded N by Kirkmichael, E by Blairgowrie, Kinloch, and Caputh, SW by Caputh, W by Caputh and Dowally-Dunkeld, NW by Logierait. In 1891 the Gourdie detached portion of the parish (649 acres) was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish of Caputh, while the Cairns portion of Caputh parish (414 acres) was transferred to Clunie parish. By another transference to Clunie parish from the parish of Caputh, of 'so much of the latter as lies to the north-east of the western march of the estate of Gourdie,' the Essendy detached portion was united to the main portion of Clunie. Baden Burn, rising on Meall Dubh, flows 2 miles SSE through the southern interior, then $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles along the Blairgowrie boundary, which for $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile more is traced by LORNTY Burn, flowing $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ESE through Clunie from Loch Benachally. BUCKNY Burn, again, runs 2 miles S and W along the western border, and through the interior to the LUNAN, which itself winds 3 miles ESE through the southern division of the parish to the Loch of Clunie, next $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile E of the Loch of Drumallie. The Loch of Clunie, in shape resembling a triangle with southward apex, has an equal utmost length and breadth of 5 furlongs, is 84 feet deep, and contains pike, perch, trout, and eels; Loch BENACHALLY ($7 \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ furl.) is the other chief sheet of water. The surface sinks in the furthest S to 230, in the SE to 195 feet above sea-level; thence rising northward to 653 feet on the Craig of Clunie, a romantic mass of trap

rock, and to 560 near Stars of Forneth, 1045 on Arlick, 1594 on BENACHALLY, 1692 at Craig Wood, and 1775 on Meall Dubh, which culminates right on the Kirkmichael boundary. Granite, quartz, sandstone, and limestone are plentiful; and a fine blue slate, copper pyrites, and sulphate of barytes are found. Mineral springs are at Milton of Clunie, and a little to the E of Bogmole. The soil of the arable land is generally light and gravelly, but yields good crops. Nearly 3000 acres are either regularly or occasionally in tillage, and hundreds of acres, waste not long ago, are covered now with thriving plantations of larch and Scotch pine. A number of cairns have disappeared, but part of the Picts' Dyke is traceable near Buckny Burn; near the church is a standing stone; and eight parallel mounds and trenches, known as the Steeds' Stalls, and said to have been formed by an advanced guard of the Caledonian host to watch the movements of the invading Romans, are on the SE slope of Gourdie Hill. On a large green knoll, too, 50 feet high, to the W of the Loch of Clunie, are vestiges of a 'summer palace or hunting-seat of Kenneth Macalpin,' according to the *Old Statistical*; and on an islet in the loch itself are the ruins of Clunie Castle. The islet, half an acre in extent, is evidently artificial, a crannog probably or lake-dwelling; the castle, with walls 9 feet in thickness, is said to have been built by George Brown, Bishop of Dunkeld from 1485 to 1514, to have been a residence of the Earls of Airlie, and to have been the birthplace of the Admirable Crichton (1560-83). The last it certainly was not, for he was born at Elicock in Dumfriesshire; possibly, however, part of his boyhood was spent in this parish, where his father purchased an estate. The Clunie estate, which includes the loch, was purchased in 1892 from the Earl Airlie at £22,000 by Mr Wm. Cox of Lochee, owner of the adjacent estate of Snaigow. Clunie is in the presbytery of Dunkeld and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £182. The parish church, rebuilt in 1840, is a good Gothic structure, with a tower and 600 sittings; a Free church stands in the Essendy section. A public school, with accommodation for 141 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 94, and a grant of £100, 17s. 6d. Valuation (1891) 46857, 14s. 6d. Pop. (1801) 913, (1831) 944, (1861) 699, (1871) 603, (1881) 582, (1891) 489.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 56, 1870.

Clunie, a loch of Glenshiel and Urquhart parishes, on the mutual boundary of Ross and Inverness shires, 16 miles W by N of Fort Augustus. Lying 606 feet above sea-level, it has a length from W to E of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, whilst its width varies between 1 furlong and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile. At its head it receives the river Clunie, flowing $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles eastward, and at its foot sends off the river Moriston to Loch Ness; and its northern shore is skirted by Wade's military road from Fort Augustus to Invershiel, and also, closer, by the more modern road thither from Invermoriston. A dreary, featureless lake, but one that affords good trout-fishing.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 72, 1880.

Clunie Water, a stream of Crathie and Braemar parish, SW Aberdeenshire, formed by two head-streams, Baddoch Burn and Allt Bhruiddh, which rise at 2500 feet above sea-level, close to the Perthshire and Forfarshire borders. Thence it runs 7 miles north-by-eastward along rocky Glen Clunie, and falls into the Dee, 1 mile below Castleton of Braemar. Its chief affluent is CALLADER Burn. The Queen's 'last expedition' with the Prince Consort (16 Oct. 1861) lay up Glen Clunie.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 65, 1870.

Cluny, a parish of Aberdeenshire, whose church stands 2 miles SSW of Monymusk station on the Alford Valley railway, this being $20\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW of Aberdeen, with which it communicates daily by coach. The parish of Cluny had a detached part separated from the remainder of the parish by an intervening portion of the parish of Midmar. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners effected an exchange of territory between these parishes, with the result of connecting the detached part of Cluny with the main portion of the parish, and of transferring to Midmar an intrusive peninsula of the

parish of Cluny. In order to equalize the exchange, as far as possible, Cluny received an additional portion of Midmar, which was taken from the north-east corner of the latter parish. Much of the southern boundary is traced by Kinnernie Burn; of the northern, by Tor Burn, which from the interior receives the Burn of Cluny, with its affluents, the Douglas, Corsindae, and Linton rivulets. The drainage belongs thus partly to the Dee, but chiefly to the Don. The surface sinks on the Tor Burn to 260 feet above sea-level, and over the eastern half of the parish nowhere much exceeds 600 feet; westward it rises to Black Hill (608 feet) and Green Hill (1607), which culminates right upon the Midmar border. Granite is the prevailing rock; and the soils vary from deep yellowish loam along the streams to light, dry, moorish earth on the hill slopes. A large area is under wood, the plantations of Scotch firs and larch ranging in age from 20 to 100 years, and in extent from 1 to 900 acres. Antiquities are three Caledonian circles, five standing-stones, and, in the western half of the parish, the ruins of Lilticairn Castle, once held by Matthew Lumsden, who died in 1580, and who was author of *A Genealogical History of the House of Forbes*. Cluny Castle, rebuilt (1840-72) on the site of the 15th century stronghold of a Huntly Gordon, stands $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Monymusk station, and is a stately castellated pile of grey granite, with central quadrangle, high parapets and corner turrets, a richly decorated oratory, and a pinetum comprising 400 varieties. Its owner, the widow of John Gordon, Esq. of Cluny (1822-78), who held 20,395 acres in the shire, valued at £13,714 per annum, in 1880 married Sir Reginald Cathcart, Bart. of Killochan. (See also BELCHESTER.) Other mansions are CASTLE FRASER and Linton House, the latter 3 miles SSE of Monymusk station; and in all 4 proprietors hold each an annual value of more, and 6 of less, than £100. Cluny is in the presbytery of Kincardine O'Neil and synod of Aberdeen; the living is worth £190. The parish church is a plain old building; and there is a Free church near Linton House. Three schools—Cluny public and Free Church, and Corennie (Lady Gordon Cathcart's female)—with respective accommodation for 153, 96, and 64 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 74, 67, and 57, and grants of £67, 14s. 6d., £60, and £49, 17s. 6d. Valuation £7526, 13s. 9d. Pop. (1801) 821, (1841) 959, (1861) 1254, (1871) 1366, (1881) 1298, (1891) 1217.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 76, 1874.

Cluny, a village in Auchterderran parish, Fife, 1 mile E of Cardenden station, and 4 miles NW of Kirkcaldy. Extensive collieries are in its eastern vicinity.

Cluny Castle, a mansion in Laggan parish, Invernesshire, on the left bank of the Spey, $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Kingussie, by the road thence to Loch Laggan. It is the seat of the chiefs of the Clan Macpherson, a line remarkable for its loyalty to the house of Stewart, in the persons of Queen Mary, Charles I., the Old Chevalier, and Prince Charles Edward. The Cluny Macphersons at the time of the '45 distinguished himself at Clifton and Falkirk, and for nine years after led the life of a fugitive on his own estate, £1000 being set upon his head, and his house being plundered and burned. In the present castle—a massive turreted, two-storied, granite edifice—are various relics of the rebellion, as the target, lace wrist-ruffles, and an autograph letter of the Prince. There is also the black pipe chanter, on which depends the welfare of the house of Cluny, and which all true members of the Clan Vuirich believe to have fallen from heaven in place of that lost at the conflict on the North Inch of Perth. Cluny Castle was visited by the Queen and the late Prince Consort, from Ardrverkie, in 1847. Its owner, Col. Ewen H. D. Macpherson of Cluny Macpherson, holds 42,000 acres in the shire, valued at £4251 per annum.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 63, 64, 1873-74.

Cluny, Hill of. See FORBES.

Cluny or Clunio, Loch. See CLUNIE.

Clyde (Celt. *clwyd*, 'strong'; the *Clota* of Ptolemy), a river and a frith of western Scotland, and one of the chief commercial highways of the world. As to where

river ends and frith begins, authorities differ. At Glasgow, say some; at Dumbarton, more; and not until Gourrock, according to Sir John Hawkshaw: where it seems best to side with the majority. Another moot point is as to the Clyde's true source. Little Clydes Burn, its commonly reputed head-stream, rises in Crawford parish, S Lanarkshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW by N of the meeting-point of Lanark, Peebles, and Dumfriesshires, at 1550 feet above sea-level, between Pin Stone (1695 feet) and Clyde Law (1789), and within $\frac{2}{3}$ mile of head-streams of the Annan and the Tweed. So that, according to the time-honoured rhyme—

'Annan, Tweed, and Clyde
Rise a' out o' ae hill-side;
Tweed ran, Annan wa'n,
Clyde fell, and broke its neck owre Corra Linn.

Thence it runs $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S, falling into the Clyde proper $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of Crawford village. The 'Clyde proper,' we say, inasmuch as the Clyde's real source, must rather be looked for in Daer Water, which rises in the extreme S of the parish of Crawford and of the shire of Lanark, at 1600 feet above sea-level, on the NE slope of Gana Hill (2190 feet), within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of the Dumfriesshire border and of a sub-affluent of the Annan. It flows thence $10\frac{1}{2}$ miles northward to a confluence with Potrail or Powtrail Water, which, also rising in Crawford parish, and also close to the Dumfriesshire boundary, has a north-north-easterly course of 7 miles; and their united waters from this point onward are called, in the Ordnance Maps, the River Clyde.

The river Clyde has a total length, if one follows its windings, of 106 miles, viz., $17\frac{1}{2}$ from the head of Daer Water to its union with the Powtrail, 7 thence to Crawford, $36\frac{1}{2}$ from Crawford to Lanark Bridge, $14\frac{1}{2}$ from Lanark to Hamilton Bridge, $2\frac{1}{2}$ from Hamilton to Bothwell Brig, 14 from Bothwell to Glasgow Bridge, 10 from Glasgow to Old Kilpatrick, and 4 from Old Kilpatrick to Dumbarton. Its drainage area has been estimated at 1481 square miles, of which 33 belong to the South Calder, 50 to the North Calder, 22 to the Rotten Calder, 127 to the Kelvin, 93 to the White Cart, 107 to the Black Cart, and 305 to the Leven. Excepting for an eastward bend near Biggar, round the eastern base of Tinto, the Clyde at first takes an almost due northerly course to the near vicinity of Carnwath, receiving, on the left hand, Elvan Water, Glengonner Water, Duneaton Water, Robertson Burn, and Garf Water; on the right, Little Clydes Burn, Midlock Water, Camps Water, and Medwyn Water. Along its left bank lie the parishes of Crawford, Crawfordjohn, Wiston-Robertson, Symington, Covington, and Pettinain; along its right, of Crawford, Lamington-Wandel, Culter, Biggar, and Liberton. Next it winds west-by-southward, south-westward, and north-westward to Lanark, receiving Douglas Water on the left, at the point where it makes its sharp north-westward bend; forming above Lanark the famous falls of Bonnington, Corra, and Dundaff Linn; and having Pettinain, Carmichael, and Lesmahagow parishes on the left, Carnwath, Carstairs, and Lanark on the right. From Stonebyres Linn, below Lanark, the last of its four falls, it sweeps north-westward to Hamilton, and on to Bothwell and Uddingston, along the 'Trough of the Clyde,' its principal affluents here being the Nethan and the Avon to the left, Mouse Water and the South and North Calders to the right, whilst parishes on the left hand are Lesmahagow, Dalserf, Hamilton, and Blantyre, and on the right hand Lanark, Carluke, Cambusnethan, Dalziel, and Bothwell. From just below Uddingston to Rutherglen its course lies almost due W, with Cambuslang and Rutherglen parishes on the left, Old Monkland, Shettleston, and Calton on the right, and the Rotten Calder on the left being its principal tributary. Lastly, from Rutherglen to Dumbarton it resumes a north-westerly course, Govan, Renfrew, Inchinnan, and Erskine parishes lying to the left, Glasgow, Maryhill, Renfrew, New and Old Kilpatrick, and Dumbarton to the right, whilst on the left hand it receives the confluent White and Black Cart,

and on the right the Kelvin and the Leven. The approximate altitude of its channel is 2000 feet above sea-level at the source, 655 at Thankerton, 400 above Bonnington Linn, and 170 below Stonebyres Linn.

Such are the general features of the river Clyde, details being supplied in the articles on the above-named parishes, and the sub-articles therein referred to. But we cannot refrain from quoting this masterly sketch by Sir Arch. Geikie:—'Of the three rivers, the Clyde, the Forth, and the Tay, perhaps the most interesting is the Clyde. Drawing its waters from the very centre of the Southern Uplands, it flows transverse to the strike of the Silurian strata, until, entering upon the rocks of the lowlands at Robertson, it turns to the NE along a broad valley that skirts the base of Tinto (2335 feet), at this point of its course approaching within 7 miles of the Tweed. Between the two streams, of course, lies the watershed of the country, the drainage flowing on the one side into the Atlantic, on the other into the North Sea. Yet instead of a ridge or hill, the space between the rivers is the broad flat valley of Biggar, so little above the level of the Clyde that it would not cost much labour to send that river into the Tweed. Indeed, some trouble is necessary to keep the former stream from eating through the loose sandy deposits that line the valley, and finding its way over into Tweeddale. That it once took that course, thus entering the sea at Berwick instead of at Dumbarton, is probable; and if some of the gravel mounds at Thankerton could be reunited, it would do so again. The origin of this singular part of the watershed is probably traceable to the recession of two valleys, and to the subsequent widening of the breach by atmospheric waste and the sea. From the western margin of the Biggar flat the Clyde turns to the NW, flowing across a series of igneous rocks belonging to the Old Red sandstone series. Its valley is there wide, and the ground rises gently on either side into low undulating hills. But often bending back upon itself and receiving the Douglas Water, its banks begin to rise more steeply, until the river leaps over the linn at Bonnington into the long, narrow, and deep gorge in which the well-known Falls are contained. That this defile has not been rent open by the concussion of an earthquake, but is really the work of subaerial denudation, may be ascertained by tracing the unbroken beds of Lower Old Red sandstone from side to side. Indeed, one could not choose a better place in which to study the process of waste, for he can examine the effects of rains, springs, and frosts, in loosening the sandstone by means of the hundreds of joints that traverse the face of the long cliffs, and he can likewise follow in all their detail the results of the constant wear and tear of the brown river that keeps ever tumbling and foaming down the ravine. A little below the town of Lanark, Mouse Water enters the Clyde through the dark narrow chasm beneath the Cartland Crag. There, too, though

"It seems some mountain, rent and riven,
A channel for the stream has given,"

yet after all it is the stream itself that has done the work. Nay, it would even appear that this singularly deep gorge has been in great measure cut out since the end of the Age of Ice, for there is an old channel close to it filled up with drift, but through which the stream has evidently at one time flowed. Running still in a narrow valley, the Clyde, after receiving Mouse Water, hurries westward to throw itself over the last of its linn at Stonebyres, and to toil in a long and dark gorge until, as it leaves the Old Red sandstone, its valley gradually opens out, and it then enters the great Lanarkshire coalfield. From the top of the highest Fall to the foot of the lowest, is a distance of $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles, in which the river descends about 230 feet, or 61 feet in a mile. From Stonebyres Linn to the sea at Dumbarton, the course of the Clyde is a distance of fully 42 miles, yet its fall is only 170 feet, or about 4 feet $\frac{1}{2}$ inch in a mile. As it winds among its broad meadows and fair woodlands, no one ignorant of the geology of the district would be likely to imagine that this wide level

valley really overlies a set of strata which have been tilted up and broken by innumerable dislocations. Yet such is the fact. The flat haughs of the Clyde were not laid out until after the curved and fractured coal-measures had been planed down, and no extant trace of these underground disturbances remained. The sea may have had much of the earlier part of the work to do, and may have lent its aid now and again during the successive uprisings and sinkings of the land, but we shall, perhaps, not greatly err in attributing mainly to the prolonged action of rains and frosts, and of the Clyde itself, the excavation of the broad valley in which the river flows across the coalfield until it reaches the sea between the hills of Renfrew and Dumbarton.'

The FIRTH OF CLYDE has a length of $64\frac{1}{2}$ miles, viz., $4\frac{1}{2}$ from Dumbarton to Port Glasgow, $2\frac{1}{2}$ from Port Glasgow to Greenock, 5 from Greenock to opposite Kilm, and 52 thence to Ailsa Craig, midway between Girvan and the Mull of Kintyre. Its breadth is 1 mile at Dumbarton; $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Greenock to Helensburgh; $1\frac{1}{2}$ from Kempock Point to Kilmeggan; $3\frac{3}{8}$ from Cloch Point to Barons Point, 3 to Strone Point, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ to Dunoon; 2 from Wemyss Point to Inellan pier; $5\frac{1}{2}$ from Largs Bay to Scoulag Point; $1\frac{1}{2}$ from Largs to the nearest part of the Great Cumbrae; $2\frac{1}{2}$, at the narrowest, from the Great Cumbrae to Bute; $1\frac{1}{2}$ from Bute to the Little Cumbrae; $9\frac{1}{2}$ from Farland Head to Sannox in NE Arran; 13 from Turnberry to Dippin Head in SE Arran; and 37 from Girvan to the Mull of Kintyre. It divides in its course the shires of Renfrew and Ayr from those of Dumbarton, Argyll, and Bute, having, on the left hand, the parishes of Erskine, Port Glasgow, Greenock, Innerkip, Largs, West Kilbride, Ardrossan, Stevenston, Irvine, Dundonald, Monkton, Prestwick, Newton-upon-Ayr, Ayr, Maybole, Kirkoswald, and Girvan; on its right, Cardross, Roseneath, Dunoon-Kilmun, Bute, and Kintyre. Both shores are bordered with the low green platform of the old sea-margin—a natural terrace thickly fringed with towns and villages and pleasant mansions. Beautiful itself, with its backgrounds of hill and mountain, the Firth of Clyde sends off five branches that equal, if not surpass, it—Gare Loch, Loch Long, Holy Loch, Loch Striven, and the Kyles of Bute. The tide ascends it up to Glasgow; and as low as Greenock its channel is beset with shoals and banks, which appear at low water, but which, ceasing there, give place to the unbroken stretch of firth that, widening and contracting, then widening out again, at last bends southward on its way to the open sea.

In 1566 the townsfolk of Glasgow, Renfrew, and Dumbarton attempted, seemingly with scant success, to open up a formidable sandbank at Dumbuck, above Dumbarton; in 1622 the magistrates of Glasgow, buying 13 acres, laid out thereon the town of Port Glasgow, with harbours and the first graving-dock in Scotland; in 1688 they built a quay at the Broomielaw; and in 1740 'the Council agreed that a trial be made this season of deepening the river below the Broomielaw, and remitted to the Magistrates to cause do the same, and go the length of £100 sterling of charges thereupon, and to cause build a flatt-bottomed boat, to carry off the sand and chingle from the banks.' In 1755 Smeaton presented a report, in which he notes that of twelve different shoals between Glasgow and Renfrew the 'shoalest' places, Pointhouse Ford and Hirst, had a depth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $1\frac{1}{2}$ feet at low, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet at high, water; these, now the western limit and within the harbour of Glasgow, having a present depth of 16 at low, and 26 feet at high, water. By Smeaton's advice, the first Act of Parliament (1759) was applied for, whose preamble runs:—'Whereas the river Clyde from Dumbuck to the Bridge of Glasgow is so very shallow in several parts thereof that boats, lighters, barges, or other vessels cannot pass to or from the City of Glasgow except it be in the time of flood or high-water at spring-tides; and if the same was cleansed and deepened, and the navigation thereof made more commodious by a lock or dam over the same, it would be a great advantage to the trade and manufactures of the city and parts adjacent and to the public in general.'

But the earliest marked improvement in the navigation was started in 1768 by Mr John Golborne of Chester, who initiated the system of contracting the river by the construction of rubble jetties, and of removing the gravel shoals by dredging and ploughing. His 'Estimate of the Expense of Improving the Navigation of the Clyde' amounted to only £8640. In 1769 James Watt, examining the declivity of the river's bed from the Broomielaw Quay to Dumbreck Ford, found the low-water depth to be 14 inches at Hirst Ford, and at Dumbreck Ford 2 feet. The second Act was passed in 1770, under which, three years later, Golborne contracted to make Dumbreck Ford 6 feet deep and 300 feet wide at low water; its actual depth was 14 feet in 1781. Next Rennie in 1799 recommended the shortening of some of Golborne's jetties, the lengthening of others, and the construction of 200 new ones, from 50 to 550 feet long, between Glasgow Bridge and Bowling; and both Telford and Rennie presented reports in 1806 and 1807, which were followed by new Acts of 1809 and 1825, the first giving power to deepen the river till it is at least 9 feet deep in every part thereof between Glasgow and Dumharton, the second to deepen it between Glasgow and Port Glasgow till such time as it is at least 13 feet deep. The deepening, widening, and straightening of the channel was carried on till 1836, when Mr Walker reported that 'there is now at the Broomielaw from 7 to 8 feet at low water, while the lift of a neap-tide at Glasgow Bridge—which was only sensible in 1755—is 4 feet, and of a spring-tide 7 or 8 feet, making 12 feet depth at high water of a neap, and 15 feet of a spring, tide; so that the river which, by artificial means, was to be rendered capable of taking craft of about 30 or 40 tons to Glasgow, has, by what Golborne calls "assisting nature," been rendered capable of floating vessels nearly ten times the burthen.' A fifth Act was passed in 1840; and under this, with several later Acts, the river improvements have since been carried out, with the result that the available depth of channel—only 15 feet at high water in 1839—is now 26 feet, while by a recent resolution of the Clyde Trustees it is intended still further to deepen the river throughout its entire length. The following table shows the width of the river at various points:—

WHERE AT.	1800.	1840-49.	1891.
Mouth of the Cart, . . .	800 feet.	275 feet.	500 feet.
Renfrew,	340 "	245 "	410 "
Finnieston Quay,	160 "	400 "
Napier's Dock,	150 "	490 "

Narrowing the channel by jetties, ploughing, and harrowing have all at times been employed, but dredging has been the principal means. The first steam-dredger was started in 1824, and 'it is undoubtedly,' says Mr Deas, 'to the application of steam power to dredgers, and to the adoption of steam hopper barges for carrying away the dredged material to the sea, that the rapid enlargement of the river and harbour in recent years are due; but for the introduction of the latter it would have been well-nigh impossible to have disposed of the enormous quantity now lifted'—6,557,212 cubic yards in the years 1855-59; 1,413,512 in 1859-90; 1,293,680 in 1890-91; and 26,116,138 in the 21 years 1870-91. 'The deepening and widening,' he sums up, 'of the Clyde have increased the value of the lands on its sides through Glasgow and seaward a hundredfold; created Govan, Partick, and the various other burghs which environ Glasgow; given wealth to thousands, and the means of life to hundreds of thousands.' The revenue of the Clyde Trustees was £331,492 in 1888-89; £356,202 (the largest ever received) in 1889-90; and £354,580 in 1890-91. The expenditure in the last year was £324,192, including £25,779 for dredging and general maintenance; and in the same year the goods

exported and imported amounted to 4,777,706 tons. There are two docks connected with the harbour—the Queen's Dock on the north and Kingston Dock on the south side. Goswick Dock at Govan, much larger than either of these, at the present time being processed with. For up and down harbour traffic there were in 1892 10 'lulha' steamers, which carried in 1891 2,625,213 passengers, against 2,177,974 in 1890. For cross-river traffic there were 15 row boats, 10 steam ferries, and 3 carriage ferry boats—one (the 'Finnieston') with elevating tidal platform. The number of vehicles carried across in 1890 was 69,000, in 1891 (the 'Finnieston's' first year) 201,000.

Details of the Clyde's commerce and full descriptions of its harbours must be reserved for articles on the local ports, Glasgow, Port Glasgow, Greenock, Ardrossan, Irvine, Troon, Ayr, and Campbelltown; but its shipbuilding trade, dating from 1718 or thereabouts, and now the most important in the kingdom, may here be glanced at. In January 1812, Henry Bell launched on the Clyde his *Comet*, the first European boat successfully propelled by steam; during the seven years 1816-52 there were built here 247 steamships of 147,604 tons. Of vessels, both sailing and steam, Clyde yards turned out 194 of 192,392 tons in 1885; 152 of 172,765 in 1886; 165 of 184,794 in 1887; 234 of 273,631 in 1888; 219 of 336,065 in 1889; 258 of 352,124 in 1890; and 341 of 326,475 in 1891. In the preceding six years the output in tonnage was—in 1879, 157,605; 1880, 248,656; 1881, 327,013; 1882, 382,671; 1883, 404,383; 1884, 262,022. The percentage of sailing to total tonnage launched in the period from 1879 to 1884 was 12.28; while in that from 1885 to 1891 it had risen to 26.56.

The river improvements are credited with having destroyed one industry—the salmon fishing that flourished once above Dumbarton. Even to-day the Clyde Trustees pay upwards of £200 a year to the burgh of Renfrew for damage done to its fisheries. It seems questionable, however, whether the fish could have survived another hurtful agency—that pollution, namely, which has formed the subject of reports by Dr Frankland and Mr Morton in 1872, Mr M'Leod in 1875, and Sir John Hawkshaw in 1876. Experiments made with floats in 1857-58 by Messrs Bateman and Bazalgette showed that sewage entering the river at the centre of the city, when the volume of water was small, travelled only 2½ miles a week; and this slow progress can hardly have been quickened by the levelling of the river's bed below Glasgow, or by the large abstraction of water caused by the River Supply Works at Westhorn, at the extreme E boundary of the city, which, with two reservoirs, each holding 400,000 gallons, were completed in 1877 at a cost of £30,000. So that, 'in summer weather, the time during which the river is made to loiter on its way to the sea is more than sufficient to establish in full operation those processes of putrefactive fermentation—in evitable whenever the thermometer exceeds 55° Fahr.—to which the formation of sewer gas and other filthy products of this fermentation is due.' Glasgow is the chief, but by no means the only offender; the paraffin oil, iron, coal, paper, cotton, and dye works of New Lanark, Blantyre, Airdrie, Coatbridge, and other seats of industry all helping to swell the liquid mass of pestilence. Schemes have been proposed to remove, or at any rate abate, the nuisance; but their consideration must be reserved for our article on GLASGOW. In the waters of the upper Clyde and its tributaries good trout fishing still may be got, at Abington, Robertson, Lamington, and Crossford; and even still a few salmon ascend as high as the Falls. Strangely enough, too, they and their fry are now and then taken above the Falls; but these must be Tweed fish, and not Clyde fish at all, carried over from Biggar Water in times of heavy spate.

On the Clyde's memories we must not linger, more than to indicate the curious contrasts offered along its banks—hill-forts and a Roman road in Crawford parish, and the Caledonian railway; the 'Mucklewraths' of Bothwell Craig, and Livingston toiling in Blantyre cot-

ton-mill; Blantyre's and Bothwell's ruins, and Cambuslang, with its memorable 'Wark'; Glasgow's cathedral, and Glasgow's factories; Antoninus' Wall and the chimneys of Paisley; Dumbarton Rock, and Port Glasgow; Greenock, and Cardross, where died the Bruce; Agricola's and Haco's war-galleys, and the royal yachts of Victoria and Alexander. The river has found its *sacer rates* in John Wilson, whose *Clyde, A Descriptive Poem*, appeared in 1764; but a finer, because less labourled, picture of its beauties is given by Dorothy Wordsworth, who, with her brother and Coleridge, drove down its valley from Lanark to Dumbarton in the August of 1803. See pp. 31-62 of her *Tour in Scotland*; Sir Archibald Geikie's *Scenery of Scotland*; Sir John Hawkshaw's *Report on the Pollution of the Clyde and its Tributaries* (1876); Mr James Deas' *River Clyde and Harbour of Glasgow* (1881); W. J. Millar's *The Clyde from its Source to the Sea* (1888); Mr James Nicol's *Vital, Social, and Economic Statistics of the City of Glasgow* (1891).—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 15, 23, 24, 31, 30, 29, 21, 13, 1864-73.

Clydebank, a burgh in Old Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire, and a *quoad sacra* parish, partly also in Renfrew parish, Renfrewshire. On the right bank of the Clyde, 2 miles NW of Renfrew, it was erected into a police burgh in 1886, having been, so recently as 1872, a purely rural or agricultural district. It includes Dalmuir, Kilbowie, and Yoker, with extensive shipbuilding yards, the works of the Singer Manufacturing Co. and of the Clyde Trust, chemical works, distilleries, a gas-work, a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments, Burgh Chambers, public hall, reading room and library, British Linen Co.'s branch bank, a savings bank, 2 Established, 2 Free, and 2 U.P. churches, an Episcopal church, a Wesleyan and a Baptist church, a R. C. chapel and school, and a public school. The last, with accommodation for 1692 children, had (1891) a day and evening average attendance of 924 and 63, and grants of £980 and £24, 16s. The *quoad sacra* parish, St James, was constituted in 1875, and is in the presbytery of Dumbarton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. Pop. of burgh (1891) 9908.

Clyde Iron-works, a village, with large pig-iron works, in the SW corner of Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire, on the right bank of the Clyde, in the southern vicinity of Tolleross, 3 miles ESE of Glasgow. Pop. (1881) 670, (1891) 616.

Clydesdale, either the entire basin of the Clyde or the immediate valley of the river, or the part of that valley within Lanarkshire, or the section of the valley between Lanark and Bothwell. The first and second of these senses of the name are ancient and almost obsolete. The third is still in use, designating a region famous for mineral wealth, for manufacturing industry, and for a splendid breed of cart-horses. The fourth, too, is still in use, characterising a famous orchard region. Clydesdale gives the title Marquis (cre. 1643), in the peerage of Scotland, to the Duke of Hamilton. See CLYDE and LANARKSHIRE.

Clydesdale Iron-works, a manufacturing village in Bothwell parish, Lanarkshire, near Holytown station. Pop. (1881) 1117, (1891) 1227.

Clydesdale Junction Railway. See CALEDONIAN RAILWAY.

Clynder, a small watering-place, consisting of neat cottages and a few shops, in Rosneath parish, W Dumbartonshire, on the W side of Gare Loch, nearly opposite Row, and 1 mile NNW of Rosneath village; at it are a post office under Helensburgh, a hotel, and an iron U.P. church (1881). The uplands around are favourite sites for bee-hives, their heather being singularly rich in nectar and pollen. At one time it was not uncommon for a hive brought hither, weighing 18 lbs., to be taken home in six or seven weeks' time weighing 57 lbs. Pop. (1891) 331.

Clyne, a parish of E Sutherland, containing the coast village of Brora, with a station on the Sutherland railway and a post office. It is bounded NW by Farr, N by Kildonan, NE by Kildonan and Loth, SE by the German Ocean, and SW by Golspie and Rogart. Its

utmost length is 21½ miles from NW to SE, viz., from Creag nah-Iolaire to Brora; its width from NE to SW varies between 3½ and 8½ miles; and its area is 75,911½ acres, of which 283¼ are foreshore and 1110 water. The seaboard, 3½ miles long, is low and sandy, followed at no great distance by the railway. The river Brora flows 1½ mile E along the Rogart boundary, next 12½ miles ENE, SE, and E, through the interior to the sea at Brora village; its principal affluent, the BLACKWATER, rising on Ben-an-Armuinn, in the NW angle of the parish, runs 15½ miles SW, partly along the Rogart boundary, but chiefly through the interior, and itself receives SKINSDALE river, which has a winding course—eastward, south-eastward, and southward—all within Clyne parish, of 13 miles. Loch Brora (4½ miles × 3½ furl.) is much the largest sheet of water. Others are Gorm Loch Beag (3 × 1½ furl.) and triangular Gorm Loch Mor (4 × 3½ furl.) to the N, and Loch Bad na h-Earba (3½ × 2 furl.) and An Eilthirich (3 × 2 furl.) to the S of the Blackwater; besides Lochs Bad an Aon-Tighe (6 × 2 furl.), BEANXACH (4½ × 3 furl.), and Gruidcach (3½ × 2 furl.) on the Rogart border, and 22 tinier tarns. The surface has a general north-westward rise, elevations to the S of the Brora and the Blackwater being *Cagar Feosaig (1239 feet), *Beinn nan Corn (1706), Carrol Rock (684), Kilbrare Hill (1063), and Cnoc Leamhnachd (961), where asterisks mark those summits that culminate on the border of the parish; and to the N, Soeach Hill (730), *Asna Greine (924), Beinn Chol (1767), BEN SMOERALE (1592), *Meall an Liath Mor (1608), Cnoc a Ghrianian (689), *Cnoc a Chrubach Mhoir (1368), *Cnoc an Leathaid Mhoir (1423), Creag Mhor (2388), and *Creag nah-Iolaire, the two last being summits of BEN-AN-ARMUINN. Jurassic rocks occur along the coast, and include coal, sandstone, limestone, and shale. The soil around Brora is light and gravelly, naturally poor; but, for its hilly character, the parish comprises a considerable amount of arable land, held mostly in small holdings. Of sheep farms the largest is Kilmolmill, on the northern shore of Loch Brora, it being leased in 1879 by General Tod Brown for £1171. At Clynelish, 1½ mile NNW of Brora, is the only distillery in the county. Coal has been found, and is worked to a considerable extent, and bricks and tiles are made. Other industries have been already noticed under Brora. Kilmolmill occupies the site of a Columban cell, and was a seat of a branch of the Gordons; the Duke of Sutherland is almost sole proprietor. Clyne is in the presbytery of Dornoch and synod of Sutherland and Caithness; the living is worth £164. The parish church, built about 1770, and enlarged and repaired in 1827, contains 900 sittings, and stands 1½ mile NNW of Brora. At the latter there is also a Free church; and Clyne public school, with accommodation for 250 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 168, and a grant of £134, 16s. 6d. Valuation, £5785. Pop. (1801) 1643, (1851) 1933, (1861) 1886, (1871) 1733, (1881) 1812, (1891) 1713.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 103, 109, 108, 1878-80.

Clynelish. See CLYNE.

Clyth, a coast hamlet of Latheron parish, Caithness, 2½ miles E of Lybster. A strong castle on a rock here, overhanging the sea, belonged to one Gunn, justiciary of Caithness, who was basely murdered by Keith, Earl Marischal, in 1478. A baylet, Clyth harbour, lies open to the SE; and a stream, Clyth Burn, runs 3½ miles south-south-eastward to the sea. A public school, called Newlands of Clyth, with accommodation for 150 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 91, and a grant of £92, 15s. 6d.

Cnoc. See KNOCK.

Coalden, a collier village in Auchterderran parish, Fife, 1½ mile E by N of Cardenden station, and 4½ miles NNW of Kirkealdy.

Coalford, a village of central Fife, 2 miles from Ladybank station.

Coalhall, a village in the southern detached district of Stair parish, Ayrshire, on Dronagan estate, 7 miles E by S of Ayr. An extensive pottery of black and

brown earthenware here has long exported its produce to many parts of Scotland, and even to America.

Coalheugh, a copious chalybeate spring in Cromarty parish, Cromartyshire. Situated in the front of a wooded ravine, it originated in an abortive boring for coal, and has been surmounted by a small dome of hewn stone.

Coalsnaughton, a collier village of Clackmannanshire, in the parish and 1 mile S by E of the town of Tillycully. It has a public school. Pop. (1891) 888.

Coalstoun or Colstoun House, a mansion in the parish and 2½ miles S of the town of Haddington, on the right bank of Gifford or Coalstoun Water. Here in a silver box is preserved the 'Coalstoun pear,' one version of whose legend runs as follows:—In the 13th century a Broun of Coalstoun married the daughter of Hugo of Yester, the famous warlock of Gifford, described in *Marmion*. As the bridal party was on its way to church, the wizard-lord stopped it beneath a pear-tree, and, plucking one of the pears, gave it to his daughter, saying that he had no dowry to bestow, but that as long as that gift was safe good fortune would never desert her or her descendants. In 1805, Christian, only child and heiress of Chs. Broun of Coalstoun, married the ninth Earl of Dalhousie; and, in 1863, Susan-Georgiana, daughter and co-heiress of the Marquis of Dalhousie, married the Hon. Rt. Bourke (b. 1827; created Lord Connemara in 1887), who was foreign under-secretary from 1874-1880.

Coalton, a village in Kettle parish, Fife, 1½ mile SE of Kettle town.

Coalton, a village in Wemyss parish, Fife, near the coast and 1½ mile N of West Wemyss, with a post office.

Coaltown, a village, with a public school, in Markinch parish, Fife, 2 miles S of Markinch, with a post office.

Coalyburn, a hamlet on the SE border of Linton parish, Peeblesshire, with a station (Maebie Hill) on the Leadburn and Dolphinton railway, 4½ miles WSW of Leadburn Junction.

Coalyland or Collyland. See ALLOA.

Coatbridge, a municipal burgh of Old Monkland parish, Lanarkshire. It stands, at 300 feet above sea-level, on the Monkland Canal, and in the midst of a perfect network of railways, being 2 miles W by S of Airdrie, 8½ E of Glasgow, and 34 W by S of Edinburgh. Fifty years since it was only a village; and its rapid extension is due to its position in the centre of Scotland's chief mineral field. The Airdrie and Coatbridge district comprises some twenty active collieries; and in or about the town are several establishments for the pig-iron manufacture, malleable iron and steel works, and numerous rolling mills. Nor are these the only industries; boilers, tubes, tinplate, firebrick and fireclay, bricks and tiles, oakum, railway waggons, etc., being also manufactured. It is governed by a provost, 4 bailies, and 15 councillors, with a treasurer and dean of guild. Splendid municipal buildings are in course of erection. Coatbridge, in its growth, has absorbed, or is still absorbing, a number of outlying suburbs—Langloan, Gartsherrie, High Sunnyside, Coats, Clifton, Drumpellier, Dundyan, Summerlee, Whifflet, Coatdyke, etc. Fire, smoke, and soot, with the roar and rattle of machinery, are its leading characteristics; the flames of its furnaces cast on the midnight sky a glow as if of some vast conflagration. It has stations on the Caledonian and North British railways, a post office with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, branches of the Clydesdale, Commercial, National, Royal, and Union banks, several hotels, the Alexander Hall, a reading room, gas-works, a water supply conjointly with Airdrie, and a Wednesday paper, the *Coatbridge Express*. A theatre and music hall, seating 2000 spectators, was opened in 1875; at Langloan is the West End Park, where in 1880 a red granite fountain, 20 feet high, was erected in memory of Janet Hamilton (1795-1873), the lowly Coatbridge poetess; and a fine public park towards the north-east was in 1887 gifted by Mr Weir of Kildonan. There are also a literary association, temperance organizations, masonic lodges, and cricket and football clubs. Gartsherrie *quoad*

para church (1839; 1050 sittings) cost over £500, and is a prominent object, with a spire 136 feet high; and Coats *quoad sacra* church (1875; 1000 sittings) is a handsome Gothic edifice, built from endowment by the late George Baird of Stithell. Of 4 Free churches—Middle, East, West, and Whifflet—the finest was built in 1875; and other places of worship are 3 U.P. churches, a Congregational church, an Evangelical Union church, a Baptist church, a Wesleyan church (1874), St John's Episcopal church, and two Roman Catholic churches. Besides other schools noticed under OLD MONKLAND, Coatbridge and Coats public school, Langloan public school, and St Patrick's and St Augustine's Roman Catholic schools, with respective accommodation for 1682, 552, 588, and 489 children, had 1891 an average attendance of 1102 day and 102 evening, 385 day and 81 evening, 403, and 416, and grants of £1242, 11s. 6d. and £52, 12s., £407, 11s. 8d. and £48, 12s., £395, 14s. 6d., and £364. There is, besides, the Coatbridge Technical School and West of Scotland Mining College. Valuation of burgh (1892) £132,024, 4s. 3d. Pop. (1831) 741, (1841) 1599, (1851) 8564, (1861) 12,006, (1871) 15,802, (1881) 24,812, (1891) 30,034.—*Pop. Surv.*, sh. 31, 1867.

Coatdyke, a village chiefly in Old Monkland, but partly also in New Monkland, parish, Lanarkshire, 1 mile WSW of Airdrie, and 1 E of Coatbridge, having a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. A U.P. mission station was opened here in 1881. See COATBRIDGE.

Coates or West Coates. See EDINBURGH.

Coats, a *quoad sacra* parish formed in 1874 from the civil parish of Old Monkland, Lanarkshire, and including part of the town of COATBRIDGE. It is in the presbytery of Hamilton and synod of Glasgow and Ayr. Pop. (1881) 3928, (1891) 5807.

Cobairdy, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Fergie parish, NW Aberdeenshire, 5 miles NE of Huntly.

Cobbler. See BEN ARTHUR.

Cobinshaw, a village and an adjoining reservoir in West Calder parish, Edinburghshire. It has a station on the Caledonian railway, 18 miles SW of Edinburgh. The reservoir, lying 880 feet above sea-level, has an utmost length from SSW to NNE of 1½ mile, whilst its breadth varies from 1 to 3½ furlongs. Its head just falls within Lanarkshire, and its western shore is closely followed by the Carstairs and Edinburgh fork of the Caledonian railway. Formed to supply the Union Canal, it presents the appearance of a bleak natural lake; it was stocked recently with trout and salmon ova from the Tay, the Tweed, and from Ireland. Pop. (1891) 309.

Coburty. See ABERDOUR, Aberdeenshire.

Cockno. See COCKNO.

Cochrage Muir, an extensive tract of barren uplands, formerly in Kinloch parish, Perthshire, 4½ miles NW of Blairgowrie town, but placed in Blairgowrie parish by the Boundary Commissioners in 1891. Covered with moss and heather, it long supplied peats to a large extent of surrounding country; and it accidentally took fire in the summer of 1826, and continued to burn till saturated with the snows of the following winter and spring.

Cochrane, an ancient barony on the W side of Abbey parish, Renfrewshire. It belonged from the 14th century to the family of Cochrane, of whom Sir Wm. Cochrane of Cowdon was ennobled as Baron Cochrane of Dundonald in 1647, as Earl of Dundonald and Lord Cochrane of Paisley and Ochiltree in 1669. By the eighth Earl it was sold about 1769; and the greater part of it now belongs to Houstoun of Johnstone.

Cockairney, an estate, with a mansion, in Dalgety parish, Fife, 1½ mile W of Aberdeen.

Cock Burn. See COCKWIM.

Cockburnlaw, a conspicuous hill in Duns parish, Berwickshire, culminating 4 miles NNW of Duns town. Its base, 6 miles in circuit, is on three sides encompassed by the Whitadder; its conical top rising to the height of 1065 feet above sea-level, shows traces of an ancient camp, and serves as a landmark to mariners; and its rocks are granitic, while those of all the neighbouring

Lammermuirs are greywacke. On the NE slope are the scanty remains of Edinshall (Edwin's hall), one of the three 'brochs' or dry-built round towers that are known to exist on the Scottish mainland to the S of the Caledonian valley. This one consisted of two concentric circles, the diameter of the innermost being 40 feet, the thickness of the walls 7 feet, and the spaces between the walls 7 and 10 feet. The said spaces were arched over, and divided into cells of 12, 16, and 20 feet. The stones were not cemented by any kind of mortar; they were chiefly whinstone, locked into one another with grooves and projections.

Cockburnspath (anc. *Colbrandspath*), a village and a coast parish in the N of Berwickshire. The village stands $\frac{3}{4}$ mile inland, and $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Cockburnspath station on the North British railway, this being 21 miles NW of Berwick-upon-Tweed, 7 SE by E of Dunbar, and 36 $\frac{1}{2}$ E of Edinburgh. A neat clean place, with an antique cross in its midst, it has a post office, with money order, etc. departments, and a public hall.

The parish contains also COVE fishing hamlet, and comprises the ancient parishes of Cockburnspath and ALDCAMBUS. It is bounded NW by Oldhamstocks in Haddingtonshire, NE by the German Ocean and Coldingham, SE by Coldingham, and SW by Abbey St Bathans. Its greatest length from E to W is 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth from N to S is 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles. In 1891 the area of the parish was slightly increased by the Boundary Commissioners, through the addition of the small detached part (96 acres) of the parish of Abbey St Bathans, which lay within the parish of Cockburnspath. The area of the latter is now 13,047 acres, of which 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. Dean or Dunglass Burn flows 2 miles along the Haddingtonshire border to the sea; EYE Water, from near its source, traces 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ miles of the south-western boundary; an affluent of the Eye drains the south-western interior; and most of the rest of the parish is drained by Herriot Water and Pease Burn to the sea. The coast is all bold and rock-bound, rising to 117 feet at Reed Point, 203 near Red Rock Cave, 200 at Craig Taw, and 362 near Redheugh; the perils of the neighbouring waters are sometimes terribly instanced by fishing-boat disasters. The interior for some distance inland, particularly in the NW, is arable and in high cultivation, yet has generally an uneven surface; elsewhere this parish is mainly an eastward prolongation of the Lammermuirs, consisting of smooth rounded hills, intersected by deans or deep vales. To the E of the railway the surface attains 771 feet above sea-level at Greenside Hill, 803 at Meikle Black Law, and 727 at Penmanshiel Camps; to the W, 823 near Edmondsdean, 909 at Eelie Hill, 731 at Blackburn Rig, 943 at Little Dod, and 1042 at Corse Law, which culminates right on the SW border. At Cove, Pease Dean, and Dunglass Dean are highly interesting objects which will be separately noticed in their proper place. The rocks are chiefly Silurian; and in some parts, particularly on the coast, they present remarkable phenomena. Sandstone, of the Devonian formation, and of a quality valued chiefly for its power of resisting heat, is quarried near the mouth of Pease Burn. The soil here and there is rich and strong, but as a rule is light. Nearly 6000 acres are in cultivation, about 550 are under wood, and all the remaining area is either pastoral or waste. Cockburnspath Tower, a ruined old fortalice, near the railway, 1 mile E of Cockburnspath village, stands on the edge of a ravine or pass, which it seems to have been intended to defend, and belonged successively to the Earls of Dunbar, to members of the royal family, and to the Earls of Home. Some have identified it with 'Ravenous Wood Castle,' in Scott's *Bride of Lammermuir*. Roman urns and other Roman relics have been found in various places; and remains of Caledonian and Scandinavian camps are on several hills or vantage grounds. Cockburnspath is in the presbytery of Dunbar and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £290. The parish church, a building of great antiquity, dating from at least 1163, was repaired in 1875-76 at a cost of £600, and contains 400 sittings. There is a Free church

for Cockburnspath and Oldhamstocks, and a U.P. church, with 420 sittings, is at Stockbridge, 1 mile SW of Cockburnspath village. A public school, with accommodation for 184 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 121, and a grant of £116, 7s. 6d. Pop. (1881) 1130, (1891) 1112.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 33, 34, 1863-64.

Cockenzie and Port-Seton, a police burgh and *quoad sacra* parish, in Tranent parish, Haddingtonshire, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Tranent station, and 1 NE of Prestonpans, under which it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. At it are a hotel, saltworks, a harbour, small, but substantially constructed by Mr Cadell for shipping coal, a handsome public school, an Established church (1838; 450 sittings), and a Free church; and a model fishing village was erected in 1882. The harbour, Port Seton, opened in 1880, and constructed of concrete at a cost of £11,800, including £2000 from Lord Wemyss, has a draught at high-water of 16 feet, and covers nearly 8 acres. The parapeted E wall, 730 feet long and 21 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet high, with a cross-pier or 'hammerhead,' and the W breakwater, 450 feet long, from 12 to 6 broad, and 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ high, leave an entrance 125 feet wide. In 1885 a middle pier was added and other improvements effected at a further cost of £5000. About three dozen deep-sea boats and two dozen yawls belong to this harbour. Cockenzie House adjacent has long been a seat of the Cadells, members of which family were Scott's publisher, Rt. Cadell (1788-1849), and the Australian explorer, Francis Cadell. Here the victors of Prestonpans discovered Cope's military chest, containing £2500. Pop. of Cockenzie and Port Seton (1861) 649, (1871) 1055, (1881) 1612, (1891) 1578; of *g. s.* parish (1891) 1716.

Cockham. See COCKUM.

Cocklaw, a farm in Walston parish, Lanarkshire. Remains of an ancient circular camp are on high ground here; consist of two concentric mounds and ditches; and measure, within the inner circle, 201 feet in diameter.

Cocklaw. See CAVERS.

Cockle, a burn in the NE of Linlithgowshire, running through Dalmeny Park to the Firth of Forth.

Cocklerue or Cuckold-Le-Roi, a hill on the mutual border of Linlithgow and Torphichen parishes, Linlithgowshire, 2 miles SSW of Linlithgow town. It has an altitude of 912 feet above sea-level, and it commands a brilliant view of the basin and screens of the Forth from Ben Lomond to North Berwick. The name is supposed, in Glennie's *Arthurian Localities*, to refer to Guinevere's betrayal of the Blameless King.

Cockno, a hill, a loch, and a burn in the E of Old Kilpatrick parish, Dumbartonshire. The hill is one of the Kilpatrick range, and culminates 2 miles NNW of Duntocher at 1140 feet above sea-level. The loch lies at its NE side, and is $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long, with a varying width of $\frac{1}{2}$ and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ furlong. The burn issues from the loch, and runs 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles southward, past Cockno House, to Duntocher Burn at Duntocher.

Cock of Arran. See ARRAN.

Cockpen, a parish in the E of Edinburghshire, containing at its NW corner the village of BOXNYRICE (2 miles SW of Dalkeith), and also the villages or hamlets of Hunterfield, Poltonhall, Prestonholm, and Westhall, with part of Lasswade. It is bounded W and N by Lasswade, NE and E by Newbattle, and S by Carrington. Its greatest length, from NW to SE, is 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth is 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 2950 acres. The South Esk, entering the parish from the S, intersects it for nearly 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ mile; traces afterwards part of its boundary with Newbattle, receiving there DALBOUSIE Burn; and the North Esk flows, for a brief distance, along the Lasswade border. The land-surface is flattish, though rising southward from less than 200 to over 400 feet above sea-level; it exhibits everywhere a rich and highly-cultivated aspect, and along the banks of the streams is often singularly picturesque. The rocks are chiefly of the Carboniferous formation. Coal is worked; sandstone and limestone abound; and coppers has been obtained from a species of moss. The soil over a small part of the northern district is a very fine rich

loam, on a sandy or gravelly bottom; and elsewhere is generally a stiffish clay. Cockpen House, the mansion of the 'Laird of Cockpen' of Lady Nairne's famous song, stood on a romantic spot about a furlong E of Dalhousie Castle. DALHOUSIE Castle and HILLHEAD House, the former centring around it most of the interest of Cockpen's history, are the principal mansions; and 5 proprietors held each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 8 of between £100 and £500, 23 of from £50 to £100, and 33 of from £20 to £50. Giving off part of its civil area to Stobhill *quoad sacra* parish, Cockpen is in the presbytery of Dalkeith and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £199. The parish church (1820; 625 sittings), on rising ground above the left bank of Dalhousie Burn, 1 mile SE of Bonnyrigg and 1 SSW of Dalhousie station, is a cruciform perpendicular edifice, with a conspicuous tower; in its churchyard lie several members of the Dalhousie family. Within the castle grounds are remains of the old First Pointed parish church. Cockpen has a Free church; and Cockpen public, Bonnyrigg public, and Bonnyrigg girls' schools, with respective accommodation for 110, 301, and 237 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 62, 181, and 226, and grants of £63, 8s., £179, 5s. 6d., and £213, 10s. Valuation £20,842, including £1678 for railways. Pop. of *q. s.* parish (1871) 2481, (1891) 3387; of civil parish (1801) 1681, (1831) 2025, (1851) 3228, (1861) 2902, (1871) 3346, (1881) 4545, (1891) 4495.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857. See Peter Mitchell's *Parish of Cockpen in the Olden Times* (Dalkeith, 1881).

Cockpool, an old castle, reduced now to the merest vestiges, in Ruthwell parish, SW Dumfriesshire, 1½ mile SSW of Comlangan Castle.

Cockum, a troutful rivulet, partly of Berwick, but chiefly of Edinburgh, shire. It rises in Channellirk parish at 1050 feet above sea-level; runs ¾ mile west-south-westward to the border of the shires; and, after following it for ¼ mile southward, winds ¾ mile south-south-westward; and falls into Gala Water in the northern vicinity of Stow village.

Coe, a river of Lismore and Appin parish, N Argyllshire, formed by a number of scarp-born torrents, 1000 feet above the level of the sea, and running 8 miles west-by-northward to Loch Leven at Invercoe. It traverses Loch Triochatan, on its way through the desolate defile of GLENCOE; and its waters contain abundance of river and sea trout and salmon. Some writers suppose it to be the Coa of Ossian, who, says tradition, was born upon its banks.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 53, 1877.

Coeffin. See CASTLE-COFFEIN.

Cogrieburn. See JOHNSTONE.

Cogsmill, a hamlet, with a public school, in Cavers parish, Roxburghshire, 5 miles SSE of Hawick.

Coich. See QUOICH.

Coigach, a coast and registration district in Ullapool *quoad sacra* and Lochbroom *quoad civilia* parish, Cromartyshire. Adjoining the north-western extremity of Ross-shire, and bounded W by the Minch, NE by Sutherland, it measures 22 miles from NW to SE, and 7½ miles in the opposite direction; includes Rhu More promontory, between Loch Enard and the Summer Isles; and is a strictly highland region, diversified with glens and numerous small lakes, whilst containing the beautiful vales of Strathceannard and Rhidoreh. It has a Free church and a post office under Ullapool, which lies 28 miles to the SE. Pop. (1871) 1239, (1881) 1167, (1891) 1074.

Coila. See COYLE.

Coilantogle, a ford on the river Teith in Callander parish, Perthshire, immediately below the river's efflux from Loch Vennachar, 2½ miles WSW of Callander town. It was 'Clan Alpine's outmost guard,' the place where Roderick Dhu stands vantageless before Fitz-James, in the *Lady of the Lake*; but it has lost its romance by the erection of a huge sluice of the Glasgow waterworks.

Coilsfield, an estate, with a mansion, in Tarbolton parish, Ayrshire. The mansion, standing on the right bank of the Water of Faile, 1¼ mile ESE of Tarbolton village, was the seat, from the middle of the 17th to the

close of the 18th century, of the ancestors of the Earl of Eglinton, and is immortalised in Burns's lovely lyric—

'Ye banks, and braes, and streams around
The castle o' Montgomery,
Green be your woods, and fair your flowers,
Your waters never drumlie!
There Simmer first unfauld her robes,
And there the longest tarry;
For there I took the last farewell
O' my sweet Highland Mary.'

She, Mary Campbell, was byres-woman at Coilsfield in 1786; and here, near the confluence of Faile and Ayr, is the scene of the sorrowful parting. Coilsfield has been considerably altered since Burns's day, being now a classic-looking edifice, finely embosomed by trees; it has, moreover, taken a new name—Montgomerie. The owner, R. P. Paterson, Esq., holds 2552 acres in the shire, valued at £3127 per annum. A circular mound, to the S of the mansion, is traditionally regarded as the tomb of Auld King Coil, that 'scripted Pictish shade' from whom Coilsfield, Coylton, and Kyle are said to have got their names. It was opened in May 1837, and found to contain several cinerary urns.

Coiltie, a rivulet of Urquhart and Glenmoriston parishes, Inverness-shire. Issuing from Loch nam Meur, on a western shelf of Mealfourvie mountain, at an altitude of 1575 feet above sea-level, it rushes impetuously 9½ miles east-north-eastward to Loch Ness, at the mouth of Glen Urquhart, near Drumadrochit hotel. It passes through Loch Aolach, and afterwards traverses a broken channel, overhurling by precipices and wood, and in times of freshet moves in such bulk and force as to sweep before it enormous masses of stone. Its waters, owned by the Countess Dowager of Seafield, contain abundance of small trout.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 73, 1878.

Coineag, Loch. See CHARAC.

Coire or **Loch a' Choire**, a lake in Daviot and Dunchlichy parish, Inverness-shire, 10½ miles SSW of Inverness. Lying 865 feet above sea-level, it has an utmost length and breadth of 5 and 2½ furlongs; contains fine trout; and sends off a stream 5 furlongs southward to Loch Ruthven.

Coire Nam Meann, a loch in the SE of Farr parish, Sutherland, which, lying 801 feet above sea-level, has an equal length and breadth of 4½ furlongs, and sends off a stream ¼ mile north-eastward to Loch Leam na Clavan.

Coire na Sith, a loch in the SW of Farr parish, Sutherland, communicating with Loch Naver, 8 miles to the eastward. Lying 990 feet above sea-level, it has an utmost length and breadth of 4 and 3½ furlongs.

Coir nan Uriskin. See BEALACH-NAM-BO.

Coirusk. See COURISK.

Colbost, a hamlet of Duirinish parish, in the NW of the Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, on the W shore of Loch Follart, 2 miles W of Dunvegan. A public school at it, with accommodation for 81 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 74, and a grant of £78, 8s. 6d.

Colbrandspath. See COCKBURN-SPATH.

Coldingham (*Urbs Coludi* of Bede, c. 700), a village and a coast parish of NE Berwickshire. The former by road is 3 miles WNW of Eyemouth, 4½ NNW of Ayton, and 2½ NNE of Reston Junction, this being 11 miles NW of Berwick-upon-Tweed, and 46½ ESE of Edinburgh. 'Situated in a valley,' says Mr Hunter, 'about a mile distant from the sea, the small town meets the eye of the stranger only on his near approach by the several descents, and with striking and picturesque effect. The cottages present a scattered appearance, those on the northern side, called Boggan, being perched on the steep bank of the Rockleside or Gosemont Burn. On the southern side flows another deep-channelled streamlet, the Court Burn, the main part of the town being situated between them, and the two uniting about a furlong below.' At the village itself are a post office under Ayton, with money order and savings bank departments, 2 inns, a volunteer hall (1872), a public hall, a public school, a parish church, and a U.P. church (1870; 550 sittings), Early English in style, with a slated spire; whilst a gentle eminence to the S

is crowned by the ancient Priory. Fairs are held on the second Tuesday of July and the second Thursday of October. Pop. (1871) 647, (1881) 572, (1891) 492.

The parish contains also the villages of Coldingham Shore, Reston, Anchencraw, and Grant's House. It is bounded N and NE by the German Ocean, E by Eyemouth and Ayton, SE by Ayton, S by Chirnside, SW by Bunkle, W by Abbey St Bathans, and NW by Cockburnspath. In 1891 the Highlaws detached portion of the parish (80 acres) was transferred by the Boundary Commissioners to the parish of Eyemouth, while the Butterdean detached portion of Oldhamstocks parish was transferred to the parish of Coldingham. Its area is now 25,662 acres. A stretch of the shore at Coldingham Sands and the farm of Northfield is smooth and of tolerably easy access; but mostly the coast is bold and rock-bound, its cave-pierced cliffs of porphyry and greywacke, the haunt of myriads of sea-fowl, rising steeply from the sea to heights of from 257 to 710 feet. Its extent within Coldingham is fully 10 miles, if one follows all the indentations and promontories, chief of which latter are those of St ABBS and FAST CASTLE, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNE and 4 NW of the village. Within 300 yards but 400 feet above the level of the ocean, 1 mile WSW of St Abbs Head, lies Coldingham Loch, a bleak, triangular lake, which, measuring 3 by 2 furlongs, is several fathoms deep, and contains abundance of perch. EYE Water, first running $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE along the Oldhamstocks border, from Grant's House station next winds 8 miles ESE through the southern interior, and then flows $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SE, either on or near to the boundary with Ayton, 2 miles of which have already been traced by ALE Water, rising in and flowing through this parish. Dulaw, Abbey, and three or four more burns run right to the sea; and, indeed, the whole surface is channelled by innumerable rivulets. From E to W it attains, to the N of the Ale, 387 feet above sea-level near Whitecross, 310 at St Abbs Head, 528 at Earnsheugh, 448 near Boggangreen, 659 at Baskinbrae, 743 at Cross Law, 715 at Laverock Law, 644 at Brown Rig, and 710 near the site of Soldiers Dyke; between the Ale and the Eye, 660 near Hillend, 782 at Houndwood Camp, 738 at Drone Hill, 686 at Cowel Hill, and 653 at the site of St David's Cairn; to the S of the Eye, 432 near Stonebiel, 503 at Greenhead, 860 at Horsley Hill, 614 near Brockholes, and 560 at Brockhole Hill—heights that belong to an eastern extension of the Lammermuirs. The rocks are chiefly Silurian, with intrusions, however, of trap; the soils are various and not particularly fertile. A considerable aggregate of flat arable land forms the bottom of the valleys; and just about the middle of the parish is 'Coldingham Moor,' a tract of between 5000 and 6000 acres, which, once a mixture of moor, forest, and moss, looked in last century a treeless waste, but now in great measure has been reclaimed and brought under the plough. About 500 acres are clothed with plantation, 100 with natural wood. Mansions are Coldingham Law House, Homefield, Highlaws, Press House, Templehall House, Berrybank, Coveyheugh, Fairlaw House, Houndwood House, Newmains, Renton House, Stoneshiel House, and Sunnyside; and 12 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 25 of between £100 and £500, 6 of from £50 to £100, and 22 of from £20 to £50. A native was Geo. Dunlar (1774-1851), Greek Professor in Edinburgh University. FAST CASTLE is a principal antiquity; and at Renton, at Houndwood, at East and West Preston, were fortalices or castles belonging to Logan of Restalrig, its wicked lord, all of which were demolished during last century to furnish building materials. Traces of four camps—two native and two Roman—are on the heights to the W and S of St Abbs; and on St ABBS stood Ebba's monastery. It seems, however, thence to have been transferred to the after site of the Benedictine priory, where foundations were excavated in 1854 of an earlier church with circular E apse. The priory itself was founded or refounded in 1098 by Eadgar, King of the Scots, the son of Malcolm Ceanmor and St Margaret, he having wrested the sceptre from Donald, with Wil-

liam Rufus' assistance, and fighting beneath the banner of St Cuthbert. To St Cuthbert, then, with SS Mary and Ebba, he consecrated this his votive offering, and granted it to St Cuthbert's canons regular of Durham. So that, though situate in Scotland, and though endowed by Scottish kings and nobles, Coldingham priory was long subordinate to the English Church, which exercised over it absolute control, and appropriated great part of its extensive revenues. In 1458 an attempt to suppress it and annex its property to the Chapel Royal of Stirling led to the Douglas rebellion which, ending with James III.'s downfall at Sauchie Burn, left the Homes masters of Coldingham till 1504. An Act of that year annexed it to the Crown; and in 1509 it was finally severed from Durham, and placed under the Abbey of Dunfermline. So it continued till 1560, when it shared in the fate of other religious houses. Its nearness to the Border had exposed it to frequent calamities; and thrice it sustained great hurt by fire—in 1216, 1430, and 1545. Cromwell, too, did great damage to the buildings, which later served for quarry to the village; so that little remains now to show their former glories but the E and N walls of the choir of the church, semi-Norman without, and lapsing into almost First Pointed within. Cruciform in plan, this church consisted of a nave and choir, each 90 by 25 feet, with a transept, 41 by 34, at whose NW angle a massive square tower, which fell little more than a century since, uprose to a height of 90 feet and upwards. The choir, patched up into a parish church, was restored (1854-55) at a cost of £2200, including £625 from the Board of Works. The W and S walls of 1662 were then rebuilt, and the corner towers carried up to their original height; the whitewash was removed from the exquisite carvings, a flat stained-wood roof introduced, a S porch added, and the interior rebenced, containing now 410 sittings. The result is creditable to the early restorers. In the presbytery of Chirnside and synod of Merse and Teviotdale, the civil parish has been, since 1851, divided into the *quoad sacra* parishes of Coldingham and HOUNDWOOD, the former a living worth £344. In it 3 public schools—Coldingham, Coldingham Moor, and St Abbs—with respective accommodation for 196, 32, and 133 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 133, 16, and 103, and grants of £135, 17s., £28, 8s. 6d., and £101, 11s.; Houndwood containing 3 other public schools. Valuation £31,973, 17s. Pop. of civil parish (1801) 2391, (1831) 2668, (1861) 3241, (1871) 3093, (1881) 3159, (1891) 2946; of *quoad sacra* parish (1881) 1644, (1891) 1586; of registration district (1881) 2675, (1891) 2479.—*Ord. Sur.*, sb. 34, 1864. See A. Carr's *History of Coldingham Priory*; J. Raines' *Correspondence, Inventories, Account Rolls, and Law Proceedings of the Priory of Coldingham* (Surtees Soc., Durham); W. K. Hunter's *History of the Priory of Coldingham*; and *The Church of Scotland, Past and Present* (1892).

Coldinghamshire, an ancient jurisdiction in Berwickshire, comprehending the parishes of Coldingham, Eyemouth, Ayton, Lamberton, and Aldcambus, and parts of the parishes of Mordington, Fouldean, Chirnside, Bunkle, and Cockburnspath, in all amounting to about one-eighth of the entire area of the county. The nature of the jurisdiction is ill defined, but seems to have been chiefly, if not wholly, ecclesiastical, and connected with Coldingham Priory.

Coldingham Shore, a fishing village in Coldingham parish, Berwickshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NE of Coldingham village. It has a Free church, a public school, and a boat harbour, formed in 1833 at a cost of £1200; it carries on fishing for herrings, cod, haddocks, turbot, lobster, and crabs, whilst conducting an extensive trade in the curing of herrings; and has a post office with money order and savings bank departments. Pop. (1891) 357.

Coldrochie. See MONEYDIE.

Coldside, a hamlet in the parish and 5 miles NE of the village of Canonbie, SE Dumfriesshire.

Coldstone. See LOGIE-COLDSTONE.

Coldstream, a Border town and parish of S Berwickshire. The town, 100 feet above sea-level, stands on the

left bank of the broad winding Tweed, and of its affluent, Leet Water, 47 miles SE by E of Edinburgh by road, whilst Smeaton's fine five-arched bridge (1763-66) across the Tweed leads $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile east-south-eastward to Cornhill village, in Norham parish, Northumberland, at which is Coldstream station on the North-Eastern railway, $13\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Berwick-upon-Tweed, 10 ENE of Kelso, and 62 SE by E of Edinburgh. On the English side are the ruins of Wark Castle, the field of Flodden, and the scene, some fancy, of the 'Hunting of the Chevyat'; and Coldstream itself derived importance from its ford, the first above Berwick of any consequence. By this passage Edward I. invaded Scotland in 1296; and down to 1640, when Montrose led the Covenanters southwards, many other armies, Scottish and English, crossed thereby, to ravage the country of their respective foes. Later, till 1856, its position made Coldstream a chapel of ease, as it were, to Gretna Green, among the more notable of its runaway marriages being that of Lord Brougham (1819). Not a stone remains of the wealthy Cistercian priory, founded in 1143 by Cospatrick, Earl of March, for nuns brought from Whiston in Worcestershire. It stood a little eastward of the market-place; and in 1834 many bones and a stone coffin were dug up in its burying-ground, where, according to tradition, the prioress had given sepulture to the foremost of the Scottish slain at Flodden. The Charters of this priory was edited for the Grampian Club by the Rev. C. Rogers in 1879. A yet more interesting building, a house at the E of the market-place, has likewise disappeared; but its successor bears the following inscription—'Headquarters of the Coldstream Guards 1659; rebuilt 1865.' The Coldstreams were formed by General Mouk in 1650 from the two regiments of Fenwick and Haslerig; Borderers chiefly, tried and hardy men, they marched with him up and down Scotland, discomfiting all enemies of the Commonwealth from Berwick to Dundee, and from Dundee to Dumfries, till, after ten years spent in Scotland, they followed him to London, there to restore King Charles II. The present town, although irregularly built, is very pretty, with its nice modern cottages and gardens. It has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, branches of the British Linen Co. (1820) and Bank of Scotland (1855), a local savings' bank (1842), 2 hotels, gas-works, water-works (1852), a town-hall, a mechanics' institute (1863), a public library, a working men's club, a masonic lodge (1861), a dispensary, a volunteer corps, a horticultural society, an ornithological society, a bowling club, a grain mill, and a brewery. A burgh of barony and a police burgh, it is governed by a baron bailie, under the Earls of Haddington and Home, and by 8 police commissioners. Courts sitting here are noticed under BERWICKSHIRE; and fairs are held at Cornhill on the first Monday of March (hiring), the Wednesday after the second Tuesday of July (lamb and wool), and 26 Sept. (draft ewes). At the E end of the town is a handsome monument, 70 feet high, erected in 1834 to the memory of Charles Marjoribanks, Esq., M.P. for Berwickshire. His statue surmounting it, from the chisel of Mr H. Ritchie of Edinburgh, was shattered by lightning (1873), but was replaced in the following year by another, 4 tons in weight, by the Border sculptor, Mr Currie of Darnick. The parish church (1795; 1100 sittings) has a spire and clock; and other places of worship are a Free church (600 sittings), and 2 U.P. churches, East (700) and West (1000 sittings). Two public schools—Coldstream and Hirsell Law, the last about 2 miles NNW of the town—with respective accommodation for 376 and 120 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 243 and 63, and grants of £251, 7s. and £62, 10s. The weekly market is now discontinued. Pop. (1841) 1913, (1851) 2338, (1861) 1834, (1871) 1724, (1881) 1616, (1891) 1535.

The parish, till 1716 called Lennel or Leinhal, is bounded N by Swinton and Ladykirk, SE and S by Northumberland, and W by Eccles. Rudely resembling a kite in outline, with Todrig at top and Home Farm at bottom, it has an utmost length from ENE to

WSW of $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles, an utmost breadth from NW to SE of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles, and an area of 8534 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 214 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. The TWEED, here a glorious fishing river, sweeps 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ miles along all the English border, forming a horseshoe bend at the LEET, and there receiving the ditch-like but troutful LOER, which, after tracing 2 miles of the Eccles boundary, strikes $\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-eastward through the interior. Graden and Shiels Burns run east-north-eastward to the Tweed; and the only large sheet of water is Hirsell Loch ($2 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ furl.). The surface, with a general north-westward rise, nowhere sinks much below 100, or exceeds 246, feet above sea-level; sheltered by both the Cheviots and the Lammermuirs, it lies exposed to the NE only, whence, in the gale of 14 Oct. 1881, its trees sustained considerable damage. A band of barren moor, from E to W, is now nearly all reclaimed; and the entire area, with very slight exception, is either richly cultivated or under wood. The woods cover a comparatively large extent, particularly on the Hirsell estate. The rocks include white and reddish sandstone, clay marl, limestone, and gypsum; the first of which forms an excellent building material, and has been worked in three quarries. Quartz crystals, calcareous crystals, prehnite, and selenite are found. The soil, near the Tweed, is light; further inland, inclines to clay; and almost everywhere is rich and fertile. Remains of a fortification, probably later than the introduction of cannon, are on the barony of Snook; and an ancient cross, called Maxwell's, stood between Lennel church and Tweed-mill, but was removed about 1730. An episode still to be noticed is Burns's visit of 7 May 1787, which he described in 'Alfred Jingle' style: 'Coldstream—went over to England—Cornhill—glorious river Tweed—clear and majestic—fine bridge. Dine at Coldstream with Mr Ainslie and Mr Foreman—beat Mr F. in a dispute about Voltaire. Tea at Lennel House with Mr Brydone . . . my reception extremely flattering—sleep at Coldstream.' The said Mr Patrick Brydone (1741-1818), who died at Lennel House, was author of a well-known *Tour through Sicily and Malta*. The principal mansions, all noticed separately, are The Hirsell, The Lees, Lennel House, and Milne Graden; and 6 proprietors held each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 11 of between £100 and £500, 6 of from £50 to £100, and 41 of from £20 to £50. Coldstream is in the presbytery of Chirside and synod of Merse and Teviotdale; the living is worth £316. Valuation £20,300, 19s. 10d. Pop. (1801) 2269, (1831) 2897, (1851) 3245, (1861) 2823, (1871) 2619, (1881) 2561, (1891) 2388.—*Ord. Surv.* sh. 26, 1864.

Coldwells. See CRUDES.

Cole Castle. See CASTLE-COLE.

Colfin, a station in Portpatrick parish, Wigtownshire, on the Dumfries and Portpatrick railway, at Colfin Glen, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles ENE of Portpatrick town.

Colgrave, a sound or strait in Shetland, separating Yell island on the W from Fetlar on the E. It contains Hascossy island; and it varies in width from 3 miles in the N to 9 in the S.

Coligarth, a district of Lady parish, Sanday island, Orkney. On a barren moor extending along its SW side are three large tumuli, and a number of smaller ones. A headland called Coliness or the Ness of Coligarth projects north-westward into Otterswick Bay, and has foundations of an ancient chapel, as well as a very large artificial mound, in which was found, in 1838, an ancient iron spear-head, 7 inches long.

Colin. See COLLIN.

Colinsburgh, a village of Kilconquhar parish, in the East Neuk of Fife. It stands within 2 miles of, and 120 feet above, the Firth of Forth, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of Kilconquhar station, this being $12\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Thornton Junction, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ NE of Edinburgh. Founded by and named after Colin, third Earl of BALCARRES, about 1718, it is a burgh of barony; and has a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank, gas-works (1841), an hotel, a public school, a U.P. church (1800; 300 sittings), agricultural and horticultural

societies, a Thursday market, and fairs on the second Tuesday of March and second Thursday of June and October. Pop. (1891) 384.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 41, 1857.

Colinton, a village and a parish of Edinburghshire. The village, 4 miles SW by S of Edinburgh, is charmingly situated in a hollow on the Water of Leith, which here is spanned by a high stone bridge; at it are a station on the Balerno loop-line of the Caledonian (1874), a post office, with money order, telegraph, etc., departments, 2 inns, the parish church, an Episcopal church, and a public school. In his *Miller of Deanhaugh*, the late Jas. Ballantine described it 'with its romantic valley, its lines of cottages embedded in the hollows, its kail-yards and their rows of currant-bushes, its sylvan pathway threading the mazes of wood, deep, deep down in the beautiful dell.' The village has changed a little since then, but always for the better, a good many comfortable, old English-looking houses having arisen upon its upper outskirts within the last two or three years. Pop. (1851) 120, (1881) 224, (1891) 476.

The parish, containing also the villages of Juniper Green, Hailes, Longstone, and Slateford, is traversed across the NW corner by the Caledonian railway and the Union Canal, and through the north-western interior by the Balerno line. Till 1697 it was called Hailes, and thence till 1747 Hailes or Collingtoun. It is bounded NW by Corstorphine, NE by St Cuthberts, E by Liberton, SE by Lasswade and Glencross, SW by Penicuik and Currie. Its greatest length, from N to S, is $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its greatest breadth is $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles; and its area is 5659 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ are water. Triangular Torduff reservoir ($3 \times \frac{3}{4}$ furl.), the lower of the two Edinburgh Compensation Ponds, falls within the south-western border; and through the north-western interior, from Juniper Green to Slateford, the Water of LEITH winds 3 miles east-north-eastward along a lovely little wooded dell. Another streamlet is the Burn of BRAID, running $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-eastward, from above Bonally into St Cuthberts, and joined near Dreghorn Castle by Howden Burn. From the flats of Corstorphine the surface rises south-south-eastward to the northern slopes of the Pentlands, in the NW and N sinking to less than 300 feet above sea-level, whilst in the S it attains 1280 feet, CASTLE-LAW (1595 feet) and Bells Hill (1330) culminating in Glencross and Penicuik parishes. In the NE is CRAIGLOCKHART, a beautiful westward extension of the Braid Hills. Most of the parish, down to the 17th century, seems to have been a desolate moor. But now the greater part is in a state of high cultivation, beautified by hedgerows, parks, and woods; and even lower acclivities of the Pentlands, up to 700 feet above sea-level, have recently been planted or brought under the plough. Excellent springs on the lands of Comiston, Swanston, and Dreghorn long furnished Edinburgh with its chief artificial water supply. The rocks of the Pentlands are principally porphyrites, those of the low grounds calciferous sandstones. Excellent sandstone is largely quarried at Redhall and Hailes, and has been much employed in Edinburgh architecture. The soil ranges in character from good alluvium, through several sorts of loam, to moorish earth. About seven-elevenths of the entire area are arable, and nearly one-fourth is hill pasture. Colinton House, in the northern vicinity of Colinton village, was rebuilt by the eminent banker, Sir William Forbes of Pitsligo, Bart. (1739-1806), who died at it, as also did Jas. Abercromby, Lord Dunfermline (1776-1858), for four years Speaker of the House of Commons. It is now the seat of Jn. Moubray Trotter, Esq. Other mansions are Bonally, Dreghorn, Redford, Comiston, Hailes, Redball, and Craiglockhart; and other illustrious names connected with this parish are those of the Rev. Arch. Alison, Jn. Allen, Lord Cockburn, the Rev. Jn. Dick, D.D., Lord Dreghorn, Prof. Wm. B. Hodgson, Lords President Gilmour and Lockhart, David Mallet, and Lord Woodhall. Two prominent buildings are the Edinburgh Workhouse and the Hydro-pathic Establishment, both near Craiglockhart Hill. Some sixteen corn and paper mills are on the Water of

Leith; and an extensive bleachfield is at Inglis Green. The Roman road from York to Carriden passed through the lands of Comiston, where also was a large ancient camp. Two very large conical cairns, which adjoined this camp, are supposed to have marked the scene of an important battle; and a rude whinstone monolith, the Kel Stane or Comes Stone, not far from there, is of course referred to the mythical Camus of BARRY. Ten proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 10 of between £100 and £500, 7 of from £50 to £100, and 31 of from £20 to £50. Colinton is in the presbytery of Edinburgh and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale. The parish church, at the village, containing 660 sittings, was built in 1771, and enlarged in 1837. At Craiglockhart and Juniper Green are Established mission churches, at Juniper Green a Free church (1880; 620 sittings), and at Slateford a U.P. church (1784; 520 sittings). Five public schools—Colinton, Juniper Green infant and industrial, Juniper Green male, Longstone female, and Swanston—with respective accommodation for 265, 146, 223, 90, and 32, had (1891) an average attendance of 142, 93, 155, 85, and 27, and grants of £136, 0s. 6d., £72, £163, 9s. 6d., £67, 19s., and £28, 13s. 8d. Valuation £34,675, including £7589 for railway and waterworks. Pop. (1801) 1397, (1831) 2232, (1861) 2656, (1871) 3644, (1881) 4347, (1891) 4549.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857. See Thos. Murray's *Biographical Annals of the Parish of Colinton* (Edinb. 1863).

Colntraive, a village in Inverchaolain parish, Argyllshire, on the NE side of the Kyles of Bute, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles by water NW by N of Rothesay. With a number of pretty villas, it has a post office under Greenock, an inn, and a small steamboat pier.

Coll, a coast village in the parish and 6 miles NNE of the town of Stornoway, Lewis, Outer Hebrides, Ross-shire. In a neighbouring cliff is a cave with two vaulted chambers, the entrance, 8 feet high and 14 wide; the interior, 15 high and 30 long; and the sides, so studded with mussels as, on a clear day, to reflect a variety of colours. A burn, the Coll or Anhuinn Chuil, formed by two head-streams, runs $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles SE to Broad Bay, in the S vicinity of the village. Pop. (1891) 525.

Coll, an island and a parish in the Hebrides of Argyllshire. The island lies parallel with the NW coast of Mull, $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles WNW of Calloch Point, 16 of Tobermory; and by a steamboat route of $57\frac{1}{2}$ miles, communicates with Oban, under which it has a post office, with money order and savings bank departments. It is $12\frac{1}{2}$ miles long from ENE to WSW, whilst its breadth varies between 1 and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles. The coast, in general, is bold and rocky; and the interior is diversified with eminences, but nowhere exceeds 326 feet above sea-level. Mica slate is the predominating rock. Eight or nine lochs yield capital trout-fishing, and the shooting also is good. 'Keaping, mowing, and thrashing machines are common,' says Mr Duncan Clerk, 'and the lands are managed in accordance with the most improved method of culture. The manufacture of butter and cheese is carried on extensively and successfully, some dairies keeping upwards of 80 Ayrshire cows. The pasturage is said to be rich in milk-producing qualities; and considerable numbers of pure Highland cattle are bred on several of the farms.' There are between 6000 and 7000 sheep and over 1000 cattle. A fair is held in May on the Tuesday before those in Mull. Antiquities are the burying-grounds of Crosspoll and Killunaig, the latter with a ruined chapel; two standing-stones, 6 feet high; vestiges of eight Scandinavian forts; and, at the head of a southern bay, the castle of Breacacha, said to have been built by one of the Lords of the Isles. Conflicts between the Macneils and Macleans, the Macleans and Macdonalds, make up the history of Coll, which in 1773 received a week's visit from Johnson and Boswell. John Lorne Stewart, Esq. of Breacacha Castle (b. 1837; suc. 1878), is almost sole proprietor, holding 14,247 acres, valued at £4118 per annum; and there are eight chief tenants. The parish, annexed to Tiree in 1618, but reconstituted in 1866, comprises the pastoral isles of Gunna, Eileanmore, Soay, and Oransay. It is in the

presbytery of Mull and synod of Argyll; the living is worth £178. The parish church (1802; 350 sittings) stands near the middle of the island. There is also a Free church; and two public schools, Acha and Arnabost, with respective accommodation for 72 and 49 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 16 and 31, and grants of £34, 6s. 6d. and £46. Pop. (1801) 1162, (1851) 1109, (1861) 781, (1871) 723, (1881) 643, (1891) 522.

Collace, a village and a parish of Gowrie district, E Perthshire. The village stands 4 miles S by E of Woodside station, and 8 NE of its post-town Perth; it consists of two parts, called Collace and Kirkton of Collace, the latter $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SW of the former.

The parish, containing also the village of Kinrossie, is bounded NW and NE by Cargill, E by Abernethy, SE by Kinnaird, and SW by St Martins. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred to it a detached portion (237 acres) of the parish of Caputh, and another detached portion (325 acres) of the parish of Kettins in the county of Forfar. Its area is now 3505 acres. The surface has a general ESE rise, attaining 383 feet above sea-level near Milnton, 440 near Saucher, 532 near Balmacoll, 1012 on Dunsinane Hill, and 1182 on Black Hill, of which the two last culminate close to the Abernethy border and belong to the Sidlaw range. Excellent sandstone is plentiful; and the northern district, with its light black loamy soil, is in a state of the highest cultivation, whilst the south-eastern is variously hill-pasture and upland heath. A fifth or rather more of the area is under wood. Dunsinane Hill and Dunsinane House, the two chief features of the parish, are separately noticed; to the owner of the latter the entire parish belongs. Collace is in the presbytery of Perth and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £162. The parish church (1813; 410 sittings) is a neat Gothic edifice, with a square tower. There is also a Free church; and a public school, with accommodation for 172 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 84, and a grant of £72, 11s. Valuation (1891) £3656, 5s. Pop. (1801) 562, (1831) 738, (1861) 534, (1871) 456, (1881) 409, (1891) 388.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 48, 1868.

Colla Firth, a bay and a hamlet in Northmaven parish, Shetland.

Collairney, a ruined fortalice in Dunbog parish, Fife, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile E by S of Newburgh. For nearly five centuries it belonged to the Barclays, hereditary bailies of regality of Lindores.

Coll-Earn Castle, the seat of Alex. Mackintosh, Esq., in the parish and near the town of Auchterarder, Perthshire. Completed in 1872, it is a picturesque old-fashioned building, with its wainscoting, painted glass, and vaulted ceilings, and commands a magnificent view.

Collage. See EDINBURGH and GLASGOW.

Collessie, a post-office village and a parish in the N of Fife. The village has a station on the North British railway, $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Ladybank, this being 40 miles NNE of Edinburgh, and $18\frac{1}{2}$ SE by E of Perth.

The parish contains also the important junction and the rising police burgh of LADYBANK, and the villages of Giffordtown and Edenstown. It is bounded N by Abdie, NE by Monimail, E by Cults, S by Kettle, SW by Auchtermuchty, and NW by Newburgh. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred to it the Sweet-home detached part (93 acres) of the parish of Cults. Its area is now 8795 acres. The EDEN flows $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles along all the Kettle border, and lower down, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile along the boundary with Cults; its channel was straightened about 1787, so that its floods have long been a thing of the past. Rossie Loch, too, which covered upwards of 300 acres, was drained in 1740, its bed being now good meadow and pasture land. Part of the 'Howe of Fife,' the surface, sinking to 100 feet above sea-level in the E, is almost a dead flat over much the larger portion of the parish, but, close to the western and the northern border, attains 427 feet near Craigerhouse and 642 at Woodhead. Greenstone has been quarried, as also sandstone in a less degree; and marl is plentiful.

The soil of the arable lands is deep and fertile, resting upon a trap-rock bottom, and having a fine southern exposure; of late years great improvements have been carried out on the Melville estate, in the way of building, wire-fencing, clearing, replanting, and reclaiming. Plantations cover a considerable extent, about one-seventh of the entire area. Near the village are a megalith 6 feet in girth by 9 in height, and a tumulus, 'Gask Hill,' which, measuring 120 by 100 feet, and 12 feet high, was opened in 1876 by Mr Anderson of the Edinburgh Antiquarian Museum. In the NW, too, stood two ancient forts, commanding the pass from central Fife to Strathearn; and near the easternmost one coins have been found of Edward I. of England, along with a cinerary urn and other relics of antiquity. Hugh Blair, D.D. (1718-1800), author of *Lectures on Rhetoric*, commenced his ministry here in 1742; and the courtier and diplomatist, Sir James Melville (1535-1607), held the estate of Hallhill. The principal mansions are Melville House, Kinloch, Pitlair, Rankelour, Meadow Wells, Rossie, and Lochiehead. Collessie is in the presbytery of Cupar and synod of Fife; the living is worth £285. The parish church is a very old building, long and narrow, with not more than 600 sittings; but there has been erected a *quoad sacra* church—seating 400, and costing about £2000—at Ladybank, where a Free church was built in 1876 at a cost of £3000. Two public schools, Collessie and Ladybank, with respective accommodation for 129 and 272 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 94 and 273, and grants of £80, 16s. 6d. and £282, 8s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £12,224, 16s. 11d. Pop. (1801) 930, (1831) 1162, (1861) 1560, (1871) 1703, (1881) 1982, (1891) 2073, of whom 1198 were in Ladybank.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 40, 1867.

Collie Law. See CHANSELKIRK.

Colliston. See COLLISTON.

Collin, a village, with a public school, in Torthorwald parish, Dumfriesshire, near the left bank of Locher Water, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of Racks station, and $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E of Dumfries, under which it has a post office.

Collin, an estate, with a mansion, in Renwick parish, S Kirkcudbrightshire, 8 miles SSE of Castle-Douglas.

Collin. See SCONE.

Collinswell, an estate, with a mansion, in the parish and 1 mile WNW of the town of Burntisland, Fife.

Collinton. See COLINTON.

Colliston, an estate, with a mansion, in the Glenessland district of Dunscore parish, Dumfriesshire, about 7 miles WSW of Auldgrith station. It belonged to the father of the eminent John Welch (1570-1623), who probably was born here; and it is now the property of Miss Copland, who holds 2554 acres in the shire, valued at £1995 per annum.

Colliston, a fishing village in Slains parish, Aberdeenshire, on a romantic small bay, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile S of Slains church, and 6 miles E by S of Ellon, under which it has a post office. Eighty years ago a famous smuggling place, it offers a picturesque appearance, straggling among cliffs and over braes; and it carries on a vigorous trade in fishing for haddocks, cod, whittings, and turbot, and in preparing 'Colliston speldings,' or haddocks dried on the rock. Pop. (1891) 419.

Colliston, a village in St Vigeans parish, Forfarshire, 4 miles NW of Arbroath. It has a station on the Arbroath and Forfar section of the Caledonian, a fine board school (1877), a Free church, and an Established church. The last, erected as a chapel of ease in 1871, and raised to *quoad sacra* status in 1875, was enlarged by the addition of a transept in 1876, and now contains 500 sittings. Colliston House, in the vicinity, is said to have been built by Cardinal Beaton for his son-in-law.

Colluthie, a mansion in Moonzie parish, NW Fife, $\frac{1}{2}$ miles NW by N of Coupar. Said to have been built about 1356 by Sir William Ramsay, son-in-law and successor of the last Earl of Fife of the ancient Macduff line, it is manifestly of later date, yet is remarkable for the thickness of its walls, and for arched doors and windows; and it long suffered such neglect as to become

nearly uninhabitable, till about 1840 it underwent thorough renovation, being now the seat of Jn. Inglis, Esq., who owns 485 acres in the shire, valued at £1125 per annum. Collathie Hill (430 feet) to the S of the mansion, is rocky on the top, and has been planted.

Collyland. See COALYLAND.

Colmkiln. See SKYE.

Colmonell, a village and a coast parish of Carrick, S Ayrshire. The village, a neat little place, stands on the left bank of the Stinchar, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W by S of Pinwherry station, and $10\frac{1}{2}$ S by W of Girvan, under which it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments; at it are the parish church, a Free church, and a public school. A fair is held on the first Monday of May, *o. s.*

The parish contains also the coast village of Lendalfoot and the stations of Pinmore, Pinwherry, and Barrhill on the Girvan and Portpatrick Junction railway (1876), these being 5, 8, and $12\frac{1}{2}$ miles S of Girvan. It is bounded N by Girvan; NE by Barr; E by Minnigaff, in Kirkcudbrightshire; S by Penninghame, Kirkgowan, and New Luce, in Wigtownshire; SW by Ballantrae; and NW by the North Channel. Its greatest length is 13 miles from NW to SE, viz., from Lendalfoot to Loch Maberry; its width from NE to SW varies between $3\frac{1}{2}$ and $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is $48,153\frac{1}{2}$ acres, of which $18\frac{1}{2}$ are foreshore and 479 water. The STINCHAR winds $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-westward through the NW interior, then 2 miles along the Ballantrae border; at Pinwherry it is joined by the Duisk, which, formed by the Pollgowan and Feoch Burns, runs 6 miles north-westward past Barrhill, itself receiving by the way a score at least of rivulets. By the CREE, flowing $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles along all the Minnigaff boundary, the SE corner of the parish is drained to the Solway Firth, whither also two lakes on the Wigtownshire border discharge their effluence—Lochs Dornal ($5 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$ furl.) and MABERRY ($1\frac{1}{4}$ mile \times 3 furl.) On the Barr boundary lie Loch Goosey (3×2 furl.) and smaller Lochs Congart and Fanoch; whilst in the interior are Drumlamford ($2 \times 1\frac{1}{4}$ furl.) and thirteen yet tinier lakelets. The coast-line, $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles long, is closely followed, at a height of from 12 to 59 feet above sea-level, by the shore road from Girvan to Ballantrae, just beyond which the surface rises rapidly to 200 feet at Bennane Head, 500 at Carleton, and nowhere much less than 100. Inland, the chief elevations to the NW of the Stinchar are conical Knockdolian (869 feet), Knockdaw Hill (850), and Fell (810); to the SE of it, Dalreoch Hill (604), Pinwherry Hill (548), Wee Wheeb (649), Kildonan (659), Shiel Hill (751), and Barjarg Hill (554). The formation is Lower Silurian. The vales contain a good deal of fertile alluvial land, and great improvements have been effected within the last forty years, especially on the Corwar estate, where fully 3500 acres of wild heathery moor and 200 of deep moss have been reclaimed, and now yield excellent pasturage. Great attention is paid to sheep and dairy farming, particularly to cheese-making; and the harvest of the sea is not neglected. Craigniel is a fine old ruin of the 13th century, and other ruined fortalices are at Knockdolian, Knockdaw, Carleton, Kirkhill, and Pinwherry. The mansions are Ballochmorrie, Corwar, Daljarroch, Drumlamford, Kildonan, Knockdolian, and Pinmore; and 12 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 13 of between £100 and £500, 4 of from £50 to £100, and 4 of from £20 to £50. Giving off ARNSHEEN *quoad sacra* parish, Colmonell is in the presbytery of Stranraer and synod of Galloway; the living is worth £324. The parish church, built in 1772, contains 500 sittings; in its kirkyard lie three martyred Covenanters, one of whom, Matthew M'Iraith, was slain, says his epitaph, by order of 'bloody Claverhouse.' Five public schools—Barrhill, Colmonell, Corwar, Lendalfoot, and Pinwherry—with respective accommodation for 200, 137, 60, 48, and 69 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 81, 69, 22, 36, and 44, and grants of £74, 6s. 6d., £63, 13s. 6d., £37, 16s., £49, 6s. and £43, 16s. Valuation, £25,502, 7s. 6d., including £628 for railway. Pop. (1801) 1306, (1841)

2801, (1861) 2588, (1871) 2293, (1881) 2191, (1891) 1900, of whom 988 were in Colmonell registration district.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 7, 8, 1863.

Colmslie. See ALLEN.

Colms, St. See COMBS.

Colonsay and Oronsay, two Inner Hebridean islands of Argyllshire, separated by a sound of only 100 yards at the narrowest, and dry at low water for three hours. Colonsay, the northernmost and much the larger of the two, has a good eastern harbour at Schallasaig, which, 16 miles NNW of Port Askaig in Islay, may be reached from Glasgow by the Oban steamer, and at which are an inn and a post office (Colonsay) under Greenock. Its length from NNE to SSW is 8 miles, and its breadth varies between $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $3\frac{1}{4}$ miles; whilst 3 by 2 miles is Oronsay's utmost extent. The surface is irregular, rising to 493 feet in Carn-nan-Eun to the N of Colonsay, where two lochs yield capital trout fishing. The shooting also is good. Mica slate, passing into chlorite and clay slate, and mixed with quartz and limestone, is the leading formation; the soil is well suited for either crops or cattle; and so mild is the climate that fuchsias, hydrangeas, and the like, flourish unchecked by winter cold. A paper read before the Society of Antiquaries of Scotland in 1880 described a bone cave lately discovered in Colonsay by Mr Symington Grieve, and comprising chambers 230 feet in extent, some of which contain a local deposit of stalagmite, and, underneath, successive layers of ashes, charcoal, and bones of the common domestic animals. The most interesting antiquities, however, are the ecclesiastical, second only to those of Iona. Columba and Oran, his colleague, are said, though not by Skene, to have first settled here after quitting Ireland in 563, and to have given name to the two islands; but the Anstin Priory of Oronsay must have been founded long after, most likely in the 14th century by a Lord of the Isles as a cell of Holyrood. Early English in style, its roofless church measures $77\frac{1}{2}$ by 18 feet, and contains a number of curious effigies, figured in Gordon's *Monasticon*. Near it, too, are a beautifully sculptured cross, 12 feet high, and the mutilated fragments of another. From the Macduffies, their ancient lords, the islands passed in the 17th century to the Macdonalds of the Colkitto branch, and next to the Duke of Argyll. The latter in 1700 exchanged them for Crerar, in South Knapdale, with Donald M'Neil, two of whose descendants have shed great lustre upon Colonsay in law and in diplomacy. These are Duncan M'Neil (1794-1874), who was raised to the peerage as Lord Colonsay in 1867; and his brother, the Right Hon. Sir John M'Neil, G.C.B. (1795-1883), of Burnhead, Liberton, who was principal proprietor, holding 11,262 acres in Argyllshire, valued at £2172 per annum. Colonsay House (1722; enlarged about 1830), in the northern part of the island, is the present seat of their nephew, Major-General Sir John Carstairs M'Neil, K.C.M.G., K.C.B., V.C. An obelisk of red Mull granite, 30 feet high, was erected in 1879 to the memory of Lord Colonsay, in place of one destroyed three years before by lightning. Long annexed to Jura, the islands now form a parish in the presbytery of Islay and Jura and synod of Argyll; the living is worth £170. The church, built in 1802, contains 400 sittings; there is also a Baptist chapel. Colonsay and Kilchattan public schools, with respective accommodation for 47 and 52 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 18 and 26, and grants of £37, 7s. and £39, 2s. Pop. (1871) 456, (1881) 395, (1891) 381, of whom 358 were in Colonsay and 23 in Oronsay.

Colonsay, Little, an island of Kilninian parish, Argyllshire, in the mouth of Loch-na-Keal, off the W side of Mull, between Ulva island and Staffa, 3 miles W of Inch Kenneth. It exhibits a columnar basaltic formation, similar to that of Staffa, but of less striking character, and its soil is less fertile than that of Ulva or Gometra.

Colpieden, a hamlet 2 miles from Kettle in Fife.

Colport. See COLPORT.

Colpy, a hamlet in Culsalmond parish, Aberdeenshire,

on a small burn of its own name, 4 miles ENE of Insch, under which it has a post office. Two cairns are near it.

Colquhalzie, an estate, with a mansion, in Trinity Gask parish, Perthshire, on the right bank of the Earn, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles NNW of Auchterarder.

Colquhony, an inn and a ruined castle in Strathdon parish, W Aberdeenshire. The inn stands on the river Don, a little above Castle Newe, 16 miles WSW of Alford, and is a central point for visiting the upper or mountainous portion of the Don's valley. The castle is said to have been begun by Forbes of Towie early in the 16th century, but to have never been finished.

Colsay, a small island of Dunrossness parish, Shetland, 8 miles NNW of Sumburgh Head. It used to pasture a good many sheep of a large English breed, but it is now devoted to the grazing of cattle.

Colsaughton. See COALSNAUGHTON.

Colstane. See LOGIE-COLDSTONE.

Coltbridge. See EDINBURGH.

Coltfield, a hamlet in Alves parish, Elginshire, 4 miles S of Burghhead.

Coltness, an estate, with a mansion, in Cambusnethan parish, Lanarkshire. The mansion, near the left bank of South Calder Water, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile N of Wishaw, is a large and handsome edifice, with modern renovations, and contains a picture gallery nearly 200 feet long. The estate, having passed from the Somervilles in 1553 to Sir Robert Logan of Restalrig, came a century later to Sir James Steuart, twice Lord Provost of Edinburgh, who brought up Archbishop Leighton, and whose chaplain Hugh Mackail, the martyred Covenanter, was captured here in 1666; his grandson, Sir Jas. Steuart, second Bart. (1681-1727), was Solicitor-General for Scotland; and his great-grandson, Sir James Denham Steuart (1713-80), was a zealous Jacobite and an able political economist. The baronetcy became extinct in 1839; and Coltness is now the property of Jas. Houldsworth, Esq. (b. 1825; suc. 1868), who owns 3717 acres in the shire, valued at £11,498 per annum. For Coltness Iron-works see NEWMAINS.

Colvend, a post-office hamlet and a coast parish of SE Kirkcudbrightshire. The hamlet lies $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of Urr Waterfoot, and $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE of its post-town and station Dalbeattie, this being $14\frac{1}{2}$ miles SW of Dumfries.

The parish contains also the hamlets of Rockcliff, Kippford, Barnbarroch, and Southwick; and comprehends the ancient parish of Southwick. It is bounded NW by Kirkgunzeon, NE by New Abbey, E and SE by Kirkbean, S by the Solway Firth (here 14 to 15 miles wide), and W by Buittle. Its greatest length from E to W is 7 miles; its greatest breadth from N to S is $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is 23,472½ acres, of which 4001½ are foreshore, 13½ 'inks,' and 191 water. Urr Water flows $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-south-eastward along all the Buittle boundary to the Solway, near Kippford widening into a roomy estuary, in which Rough Island (2×1 furl.) belongs to Colvend; whilst Southwick Water in the E, formed by the Maidenpap, Drumcove, and Boreland Burns, winds 7 miles south-south-eastward and south-westward, traversing, ere it falls into the Firth, the broad expanse of Mersehead Sands. In the south-western and western interior are White, Clonyard, Barcan, Auchensheen, and Cloak Lochs, the first and largest of which measures 3 by 2 furlongs. Between Urr Waterfoot and Douglas Hall, a range of reddish lichen-covered cliffs, the haunt of myriads of sea-fowl, rises to 200 feet at Castle Hill of Barcloy, and 400 at White Hill, heights that command a glorious prospect. Along it are Gutchers Isle, Cow Snout, Gillies Craig, Portowarren Bay, the Brandy Cave of some Dick Hatteraick, the Piper's Cove, the Murderer's Well, two natural archways called the Needle's Eye, and Lot's Wife, a pillar of Silurian rock. Inland the rugged surface attains 900 feet on Bainloch Hill, 500 on Banks and Clonyard Hills, 800 on Redbank Hill, 1000 on Maidenpap, 1350 on Cuil Hill, and 1335 on Meikle Hard Hill, the two last culminating right on the

New Abbey boundary, within which fall the summits of Boreland Hill (1632 feet) and CRIFTEL (1867). Barcan granite hills these, with sour and scanty pasturage, they belong to the Stewartry's third and most easterly group of primary rocks, which commences near the river Nith in the parish of New Abbey, and runs south-westward across Kirkgunzeon and Colvend to the coast. Most of the surface is believed to have anciently been forest; and plantations and natural wood still cover a considerable area. The eastern heights are almost entirely heathy; and many of the others have, at best, a poor shallow soil, and are largely overrun with broom and furze and bramble. Much, however, of the low grounds has naturally a good soil; much of the slopes has been well reclaimed; and many of the farms are in a high state of cultivation. Millstones were formerly quarried; and a copper mine, said to have yielded a rich ore from a tolerably thick seam, was also at one time worked. The Castle Hill of Barcloy is crowned by a fosse and the foundations of a wall; on Fort Hill is a vitrified fort. Barcan Loch contains a crannog or lake-dwelling; a ruined ivy-clad chapel adjoins St Laurence's Well, near Fairgirth House; and the remains of Auchenskeoch Castle stand near the head of Southwick Water. The property is divided among 19 landowners, 6 holding each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 6 of between £100 and £500, 1 of from £50 to £100, and 6 of from £20 to £50. Colvend is in the presbytery and synod of Dumfries; the living is worth £255. Its church was rebuilt in 1791; whilst Southwick church, which was used as late at least as 1743, is either of Norman or First Pointed origin. A granite shell, 64 by 25 feet, and 14 high, it lies between Clifton Craigs and Bainloch Hill; was dedicated to Our Lady of Southwick, to whom Edward I. paid his devotions; and in its kirkyard has many old curious gravestones. Three public schools—Barnbarroch, Colvend, and Southwick—with respective accommodation for 83, 81, and 120 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 54, 39, and 73, and grants of £57, 1s. 6d., £46, 1s., and £79, 6s. 6d. Valuation (1888) £10,663, 10s. 5d. Pop. (1801) 1106, (1841) 1495, (1861) 1366, (1871) 1318, (1881) 1281, (1891) 1127.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 5, 1857. See W. R. M. Diarmid's *Handbook to the United Parishes of Colvend and Southwick*.

Colville. See CULROSS.

Colzean Castle, the principal seat of the Marquis of AILSA and Earl of CASSILLS, in Kirkoswald parish, Ayrshire, $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Maybole. It stands near the verge of a basaltic cliff that rises 100 feet from Colzean Bay, and it was built in 1777 and following years after designs by Robert Adam. A magnificent castellated edifice, it commands a brilliant prospect of the Firth of Clyde, with a full view of Ailsa Craig, 15 miles to the south-westward; its entire buildings cover no less than 4 acres of ground; and landward it is enlivened with beautiful terraced gardens and a large finely-wooded park. Near the castle, and directly under some of the buildings, are the Coves of Colzean. These coves or caves are six in number. Of the three towards the W, the largest has its entry as low as high-water mark; the roof is 50 feet high, and looks as though two huge rocks had fallen together, forming a Gothic arch. With varying breadth, it extends for about 200 feet, and communicates with the other two, which are both much smaller but of the same irregular shape. The coves to the E likewise communicate with one another, and have much the same height and figure as the former. For two things the Coves are famous, one, that soon after the Revolution they gave shelter to Sir Archibald Kennedy, the Covenanters' foe; the other, that in 1634 there was 'in them either a notable imposture or most strange and much-to-be-admired footsteps and impressions which are here to be seen of men, children, dogs, conies, and divers other creatures. These were conceived to be spirits, and it there be no such thing but an elaborate practice to deceive, they do most impudently betray the truth; for one of this knight's sons and another Galloway gentleman affirmed unto me that all the footsteps have been put out and buried in sand overnight, and have been

observed to be renewed next morning.' The original castle of Colzean, 'a nee proper house with very brave yards,' was built by that Sir Thomas Kennedy, younger son of Gilbert, third Earl of Cassillis, who was murdered near Ayr in 1602, at the instigation of Mure of Auchendrane. Sir William Breton, a Cheshire gentleman, whose *Travels* we have already quoted, describes it as 'a pretty pleasant-seated house or castle, which looks full upon the main sea. Hereunto we went, and there found no hall, only a dining-room or hall, a fair room, and almost as large as the whole pile, but very sluttishly kept, unswept, dishes, trenchers, and wooden cups thrown up and down, and the room very nasty and unsavoury.' By the death without issue of the eighth Earl of Cassillis in 1759, the murdered Sir Thomas's namesake and sixth descendant succeeded to the earldom, whereto was added the marquissate of Ailsa in 1831. Arch. Kennedy, present and third marquis, and fourteenth earl (b. 1847; suc. 1870), owns 76,015 acres in the shire, valued at £35,839 per annum.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 14, 1863.

Colzum House, a seat of the Edmonstones of DUNTHREATH, in the parish and 1 mile NE of the town of Kilsyth, S Stirlingshire, in the mouth of a romantic glen of its own name. The ruined walls of an ancient castle, the predecessor of the present mansion, crown a fine elevation a little to the E.

Combs, St, a fishing village in Lonmay parish, NE Aberdeenshire, 5 miles ESE of Fraserburgh. It carries on valuable cod and herring fisheries; contains a public school; and down to 1608 had a church, dedicated to St Colm or Columba. Pop. (1891) 565.

Comely Bank, a small Edinburgh suburb in St Cuthberts parish, on the low road to Queensferry, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile WNW of Dean Bridge.

Comiston House, a mansion in the E of Colinton parish, Edinburghshire, near the Braid Hills, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles S by W of Edinburgh. Built in 1815, it is the seat of Sir William Forrest, third Bart. since 1838 (b. 1823; suc. 1883), who owns 500 acres in the shire, valued at £1290 per annum. Comiston Springs here began so early as 1681 to contribute water supply to Edinburgh.

Comlongan, an ancient castle in Ruthwell parish, SW Dumfriesshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile NW of Ruthwell village. A quadrangular edifice, measuring 60 feet along each side, and 90 feet in height, it was constructed to serve as a strong fortalice, with port-holes and battlements; its walls are so thick as to include within them small apartments. It is still in good preservation; and, having long been the seat of the Murrays of Cockpool, it now belongs to the Earl of Mansfield.

Commondryke, a collier hamlet in Auchinleck parish, Ayrshire, 3 miles NNE of Cumnock. Pop. (1871) 396, (1881) 1048, (1891) 412.

Commonhead Station. See AIRDRE.

Commonore Dam, a reservoir or artificial lake in Neilston parish, Renfrewshire, 2 miles SSW of Neilston village. Lying 600 feet above sea-level, it is fed from Harelaw Dam, and sends off its superfluous to Levern Water; measures $1\frac{1}{2}$ by 1 furlong; and is 24 feet deep.

Compass Hill. See CANNA.

Compstone, an estate, with a fine modern mansion, in Twynholm parish, Kirkcudbrightshire, near the right bank of Tarf Water, a little above its confluence with the Dee, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles N by W of Kirkcudbright. It has long been the property of a branch of the Maitlands, to which belonged the two brothers and eminent Scotch judges, Thomas Maitland, Lord Dundrennan (1792-1851), and Francis Maitland, Lord Boreale (1809-70). Its present owner, David Maitland, Esq. of Dundrennan (b. 1848; suc. 1861), holds 2304 acres in the shire, valued at £2145 per annum. In old Compstone Castle, now represented only by three tottering walls of a tower, the soldier-poet, Alexander Montgomery, composed *The Cheric* and *the Stae* (1595).

Comrie, a village and a parish of Strathearn, central Perthshire. The village stands, 200 feet above sea-level, on the left bank of the Earn (here spanned by an old

five-arch bridge), immediately below the confluence of the Ruchill and above that of the Lednock. It is $8\frac{1}{2}$ miles W of Crieff, $6\frac{1}{2}$ E by S of St Fillans, being the terminus of the Crieff and Comrie extension of the Caledonian. Z-shaped in plan, and sheltered by wooded slopes, it is a pleasant little place, a burgh of barony under the Dundas family; and it has a post office under Crieff, with money order, savings bank, insurance, and telegraph departments, a branch of the Commercial Bank, insurance agencies, hotels, a reading-room, a public hall, a masonic lodge, gas-works, ploughing and horticultural societies, and fairs on the third Wednesday in March, the second in May, the last in October, and the first in December. The parish church (1804; 1026 sittings) has a lofty spire, and crowns a gentle eminence beside the Earn. The Free church (1879-81; 650 sittings) is one of the finest in Scotland, French Gothic in style, with a clock-tower and an adjoining hall; its cost, exceeding £10,000, was defrayed by a bequest of the late Miss M'Farlane of Comrie. The U.P. church, rebuilt in 1866, is also a good Gothic edifice; the father of the late George Gillfillan, Comrie's most gifted son, was a minister of the old church. There is also an Episcopal mission church. A granite obelisk, 72 feet high, was reared in 1815 on Dunmore Hill (841 feet), $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N by W of the village, to commemorate Viscount Melville's death four years before at Dunira. There is also another memorial, of the same material, 80 feet high, to the memory of the late Sir David Baird. Nowhere else in Britain are earthquakes so frequent as at Comrie, a frequency due, it would seem, to its geological position, which recent survey has shown to be on the great line of fault that separates the Lowlands and the Highlands. In 1875 an ingenious apparatus was established at the village, to register the force and direction of the shocks, among the most noteworthy of which were those of 23d Oct. 1839 and 10th Jan. 1876. A public school, with accommodation for 268 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 143, and a grant of £148, 7s. Pop. (1834) 978, (1861) 789, (1871) 746, (1881) 1038, (1891) 870.

The parish, containing also the villages of Dalginross, Ross, and St Fillans, comprises the ancient parishes of Comrie and Dundurn, and the greater part of Talliekettle. It is bounded N by Kenmore, E by Monzievairstrowan, SE by Muthill, SW by Callander, and W by Balquhiddier. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred to Comrie parish the Cultibregan and Easter Meiggar detached portions of the parish of Monzievairstrowan, unitedly comprising 1407 acres, as well as the Cowden part of the parish of Muthill. It has an utmost length of 11 miles from E to W; its breadth from N to S varies between 8 and 12 miles; and its area is now 64,339 acres, of which 2340 $\frac{3}{4}$ are water. By Loch EARN and the river Earn the parish is divided into unequal halves, that to the N being somewhat the larger. The loch is $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles long by 5 furlongs wide, and lies 306 feet above sea-level; the river, issuing from it, winds 7 miles east-south-eastward through the interior to the village, and thence 9 furlongs on or close to the Monzievairstrowan boundary, where it sinks to less than 200 feet above the sea. At the village it is joined by the hazel-fringed Water of RUCHILL, which, from the SW border burries $9\frac{1}{2}$ miles north-eastward through 'Ione Glenartney;' and by the LEDNOCK, rising between Creag Uigeach and Ruadh Bheil, and running 11 miles south-eastward, down its deep, wooded gorge, where it forms the Deil's Caldron and other less-famed falls. Between it and Loch Earn lies Loch BOLTACHAN ($2 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ furl.). To the N of the river and Loch Earn the chief elevations from E to W are Dunmore Hill (841 feet), Crappich Hill (1467), Creag Liath (1636), *Creag Mhor na h-Iolaire (1783), BEN CHONZIE (3048), *Creag Mhor Eun (2990), *Creag Uigeach (2840), Meall nam Fiadh (2000), *Ruadh Bheil (2232), Sron Mhor (2203), and *Meall na Cloiche (2175), of which those marked with asterisks culminate on the boundaries of the parish; to the S rise Ben Halton (2033), Birran or Dundurn (2011), a nameless summit in the Forest of Glenartney (2317), *Meall Odhar (2066),

Meall na Fearna (2479), BEN VOIRLICH (3224), and *Stue a Chroin (3189). Such are the outlines of Comrie's romantic scenery, here grandly savage, there softly picturesque, to be filled in with greater minuteness in articles on its lochs and rivers, its mountains, and valleys, and mansions. The line of junction between the Old Red sandstone and the slates passes diagonally from Glenartney into the Monzievaud hills; and Upper Strathearn to the NW of this line, *i.e.*, the greater part of this parish, is wholly composed of slate rocks, which present many glacial phenomena, whilst the level strath appears to have been the bed of an ancient lake. Granite boulders are numerous along the Lednag, whose channel is crossed by a great dyke of greenstone. Slate, trap, and limestone have all been quarried; and lead and iron ores are also found, the latter being at one time largely worked. The soil in some parts of the glens approaches to loam, but is a light, sharp, stony gravel of no great fertility over most of the arable lands. These occupy barely one-ninth of the entire area, and woods and plantations cover some 3000 acres. The chief antiquities are three stone circles and the remains of Agricola's stationary camp at DALGINROSS. Comrie House, near the Lednock, a little behind the village, is charmingly seated amid surrounding woods; and other mansions are Aberchill, Ardvoirlich, Dalhonzie, Drumearn, and Dumira, 6 proprietors holding each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 2 of between £100 and £500, 5 of from £50 to £100, and 9 of from £20 to £50. Giving off something to Balquhider, and taking in something from Monzievaud, Comrie is in the presbytery of Auchterarder and synod of Perth and Stirling; the living is worth £270. Three public schools—Glenartney, Gleudnock, and St Fillans—with respective accommodation for 23, 30, and 40 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 20, 10, and 20, and grants of £35, 10s. 6d., £26, 9s., and £33, 17s. Valuation (1891) £17,376, 4s. Pop. (1801) 2458, (1831) 2622, (1861) 2226, (1871) 1911, (1881) 1726, (1891) 1529.—*Ord. Surv.*, shs. 47, 46, 39, 1869-72. See *Beauties of Upper Strathearna* (Crieff, 1870).

Comrie, a ruined fortalice in a detached section of Weem parish, Perthshire, until 1891, when it was placed in Dull parish, on the river Lyon, a little above its influx to the Tay, and $\frac{2}{3}$ miles NNE of Kenmore.

Comrie, a hamlet in Culross parish, Fifeshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W by N of Oakley, and 5 miles of Dunfermline. A little to the W is Comrie Castle.

Comyn's Castle. See DALSWINTON.

Cona, a stream in the Argyllshire portion of Kilmallie parish, flowing $\frac{9}{10}$ miles east-by-southward to Loch Linnhe, which it enters $6\frac{2}{3}$ miles SW of Fort William, and joined, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile above its mouth, by the Seaddle. On its left bank, $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from Loch Linnhe, and 5 miles N by E of Ardguor, stands Conaglen, a seat of the Earl of Morton, who holds 46,883 acres in the shire, valued at £1685 per annum. See also DALMAHOY.

Cona. See COE.

Conachan. See INCH-CONACHAN.

Conait or Allt Conait, a rivulet in Fortingal parish, NW Perthshire. It issues from Loch Dhanh (1369 feet), and, traversing Loch Girre, runs $\frac{4}{5}$ miles eastward and south-eastward to the Lyon, 8 miles NNW of Killin. With a total descent of 500 feet, it forms some beautiful cascades, especially in the last mile of its course.

Conan (Gael. *caoin-an*, 'gentle river'), a river of SE Ross-shire, formed, at an altitude of 180 feet above sea-level, by the confluent Sheen and Meig, in Contin parish, $\frac{3}{4}$ miles W by N of Contin church. Thence it runs $\frac{9}{10}$ miles east-by-southward and $\frac{2}{3}$ north-north-eastward, till it falls into the head of Cromarty Firth, 1 mile S of Dingwall. On its left lie the parishes of Contin, Fodderty, and Dingwall, on its right of Urray and Urquhart-Logie-Wester; and its chief affluents are the Blackwater on the left, the Orrin on the right. The fishing, which is everywhere preserved, is better for salmon than trout: pearl-mussels have been occasionally found, containing magnificent pearls. The Highland railway crosses it, in the vicinity of Conan Bridge village, by a fine viaduct, which, 435 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet long,

has five very sharply-skewed arches, and commands a charming view of a reach of the river's valley and of the upper waters of Cromarty Firth. Hugh Miller, in *My Schools and Schoolmasters*, devotes many pages to the Conan-side of 1821, with its broad lower alder-fringed reaches, its noble hills, its woods of Tor Achilly, Brahan Castle, and Conan House, its winter floods, and its water-wraith.—*Ord. Surv.*, sh. 83, 1881.

Conan-Bridge, a village in Urquhart and Logie-Wester parish, in the county of Ross and Cromarty, on the right bank of the Conan, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles SSW of Dingwall, under which it has a post office, with money order, savings bank, and telegraph departments. It took its name from a bridge over the Conan, on the road from Beuly to Dingwall, which, built in 1809 by the parliamentary commissioners at a cost of £6854, is a stone five-arch structure, with a water-way of 265 feet. The village has a station (Conan) on the Highland railway, an inn, and a public school. Pop. (1841) 342, (1861) 501, (1871) 385, (1881) 385, (1891) 358.

Conan House, a mansion in Urquhart and Logie-Wester parish, Ross and Cromarty, near the right bank of the Conan, 1 mile S by W of Conan Bridge. It is a seat of Sir Kenneth Smith Mackenzie of Gairloch, sixth Bart. since 1702 (b. 1832; suc. 1843), who owns 161,680 acres in the shire, valued at £7843 per annum.

Condie, an estate, with a mansion, in Forvie parish (since 1891), Perthshire, 4 miles SW of Bridge of Earn. Since 1601 a seat of a branch of the Oliphants, it now is held by Lawrence Jas. Oliphant, Esq. (b. 1846; suc. 1892), who owns 2667 acres in the shire, valued at £2301 per annum.

Condorrat, a village and *quoad sacra* parish in Cumbernauld parish, Dumbartonshire, $\frac{2}{3}$ miles SW of Cumbernauld village, and 6 NNW of Airdrie, under which it has a post office. An Established church, built here in 1875, contains 400 sittings, and cost, with a manse, £2600. Pop. (1891) 607; of *q. s.* parish, 1596.

Conerock, a conspicuous eminence (808 feet) in Rothes parish, Elginshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of Rothes village. Wooded to the top, it presents a contorted appearance, and it chiefly consists of quartz, containing beautiful rock crystals.

Congalton, an ancient barony in Dirliton parish, Haddingtonshire.

Conghollis, an ancient parish in Forfarshire, nearly or quite identical with the modern INVERKEILOE.

Conglass, a rivulet in Kirkmichael parish, Banffshire, running 8 miles north-westward, along a mountain glen, to the river Aven, 3 miles NNW of Tomintoul.

Conheath, an estate, with a mansion, in Caerlaverock parish, Dumfriesshire, $\frac{4}{5}$ miles SSE of Dumfries. It was purchased in 1876 by David Watson Rannie, Esq.

Conicavel, a village in Edenkille parish, Elginshire, near Darnaway, and $\frac{3}{4}$ miles SSE of Brodie station. It has a Christian Knowledge Society's school.

Con, Loch. See CHON.

Connell Ferry, a ferry, $\frac{1}{2}$ furlong wide, across the entrance of Loch Etive, in Argyllshire, on the line of road from Oban to Ballachulish. It is traversed by a tiny steamer, and has an inn on either shore, whilst on the southern is Connell Ferry station upon the Callander and Oban railway, 6 miles NE of Oban, under which there is a post office of Connell. An Established church was erected here in 1888, and a number of villas have been built near it. The loch's channel, suddenly contracting here, is barred two-thirds across by rocks left bare to the height of 5 feet at low water, over which the ebbing tide flows in tumultuous cataract. These so-called Falls of Connell have been identified with Ossian's Falls of Lora.

Connell, a shallow loch in Kirkeolm parish, W Wigtownshire. It ends off a burn, running 4 miles southward and eastward to Loch Ryan. On a hill (314 feet), 3 furlongs SE of the loch, are remains of a large cairn, Cairn Connell.

Connell Park, a village in New Cumnock parish, E Ayrshire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile SW of New Cumnock village. Pop. (1891) 622.

Connicaval. See CONICAVEL.

Conningsburgh, a hamlet and an ancient parish in the S of Shetland. The hamlet lies on the E coast of the mainland, 9 miles SSW of Lerwick, and has a Free church. The parish, extending across the mainland, from Aiths Voe to Cliff Sound, is bounded N by Lerwick parish; it contains a ridge of eminences, running nearly parallel with the coast-lines, and called the Conningsburgh Hills; and it is now annexed *quoad civilia* to Dunrossness, and *quoad sacra* to Sandwick.

Conon. See CONAN.

Conrie, a rivulet of Strathdon parish, W Aberdeenshire, winding 3½ miles north-by-eastward to the Don at Culforth.

Contell, a hamlet 2 miles from Lochgelly, in Fife.

Contin, a very large Highland parish of central and south-eastern Ross-shire. Its church and school stand on the right bank of the Blackwater, 4½ miles SW of Strathpeffer station, this being 4½ miles N by W of Dingwall, under which Contin has a post office. It contains four stations on that railway, Garve, Lochluichart, Auchanalt, and Achnasheen. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred from Contin to the parish of Urray the small portion of the parish lying to the south of the watershed between Strath Conan and Glen Orrin. On the other hand there were transferred to Contin the Aultdearg detached portion (2463 acres) of the parish of Urray, and all the Dalbreac detached portion of Fodderty parish, except the part lying to the south of the above-mentioned watershed. In the south-west of the parish are Lochs Fannich, Rosque, and Benachran. The principal streams are the Sheen and Meig, uniting to form the CONAN, and the BLACKWATER, joining the latter at Moy. Lakes, with their utmost length and width and altitude above sea-level, are Lochs ACHILTY (7 × 3 furl., 170 feet), GARVE (1½ × ½ mile, 220 feet), LUICHART (1½ mile × 6½ furl., 270 feet), FANNICH (6½ mile × 6½ furl., 822 feet), ROSQUE (3 × ½ mile), Benachran (2 × 1 mile), A Garbh Raoin (4½ × 3 furl., 900 feet), and Coire Lair (6 × 1 furl., 980 feet). There are, besides, close upon fifty smaller lochs, most of them, like the above, affording capital angling. The surface sinks in the extreme SE to 53 feet above sea-level, thence rising westward to Carn Sgolbaidh (1342), *Carn na Cloiche Moire (1936), *Meall nan Dauh (2198), and Sgurr Maire-suidhe (1899), where asterisks mark those summits that culminate on the borders of the parish; north-westward to Carn na Buaille (650), Cnoc Dubh (749), Carn Faire nan Cou (1210), Meall Mhic Iomhair (1984), Beinn Liath Mhor (2464), Tom Ban Mor (2433), Meall Leacachain (2028), Meallan Ban (3120), and BEN DEARG (3547); whilst in the SW wing rise *Beinn Liath Bheag (2173), Sgurr Mor (3637), Meallan Rairigidh (3109), An Coileachen (3015), *A Chailleach (3276), Beinn nan Ramh (2833), and Fionn Bheinn (3060). The Old Red sandstone stretches into the lower parts of the parish, and is covered in places with a strong reddish clay; in the uplands gneiss is the leading formation, mixed with its subordinate rocks. The soil of the arable lands ranges from strong clayed loam to light friable mould; and great improvements have been effected on the Coul estate, 1400 acres having been here reclaimed within the last thirty-five years, and bearing now rich crops of all descriptions. In the lower grounds, too, plantations and natural wood—a remnant this of the primeval forest—cover a considerable area, yet small to that occupied by sheep-walks, deer forest, and desolate upland moors. Mansions are Coul and Craigdarroch; and 8 proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 3 of between £100 and £500, 2 of from £50 to £100, and 4 of from £20 to £50. Giving off portions to the *quoad sacra* parishes of Carnach and Kintochluichart, Contin is in the presbytery of Dingwall and synod of Ross; its living is worth £292. The parish church is an old building, and there are Free churches at Contin, Fodderty, Strathconan, and Strathgarve. Two public schools, Contin and Seatwell, with respective accommodation for 100 and 33 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 67 and 17, and grants of £78, 13s. 6d.

and £35, 19s. 6d. Valuation £17,949, 9s. 9d. Pop. of civil parish (1801) 1944, (1831) 2023, (1861) 1509, (1871) 1550, (1881) 1422, (1891) 1298; of *quoad sacra* parish (1891) 592.—*Ord. Sur.*, sbs. 83, 93, 92, 1881.

Convall, Meikle, a summit (1867 feet) in Morthlack parish, Banffshire, 2½ miles SW of Dufftown, and 2½ ENE of the summit of Ben Rinnos. Little Convall (1810 feet) rises 1½ mile N by E, and is crowned with vestiges of a Danish camp.

Convall or Coinne-mheall. See BENMORE-ASSYNT.

Conveth, an ancient parish of Inverness-shire, now annexed to Kiltarlity, and forming its south-eastern section.

Coodham, an estate, with a mansion, in Symington parish, Argyshire, 4 miles SSW of Kilmarnock. Originally a seat of the Fairlies, it was sold in 1871, for £27,880, to Sir Wm. Hy. Houldsworth, Bart. (b. 1834), who owns 585 acres in the shire, valued at £1151 per annum.

Cookney, a *quoad sacra* parish in Fetteresso parish, Kincardineshire, 5½ miles N by W of its post-town Stonehaven, and 2½ WNW of Muchalls station. The old church dated from about 1817, but the present building was erected in 1886. There is a public school, with accommodation for 141 children, an average attendance in 1891 of 116, and a grant of £112, 16s. 1d. The parish is in the presbytery of Fordoun and synod of Angus and Mearns; its minister's stipend is £178. Pop. (1871) 2080, (1891) 1784.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 67, 1871.

Coolins. See CUCHULLINS.

Copay, an uninhabited islet in the Sound of Harris, Outer Hebrides, Inverness-shire.

Copenshay or Copinshay, an island of Durness parish, Orkney, 2½ miles E by S of the SE extremity of the Durness portion of the mainland. Measuring 1 by ½ mile, it has lofty cliffs, denized in the summer months by myriads of sea-fowl, whose eggs and feathers have considerable value. An island, called Horse of Copenshay, lies ½ mile off its NE end.

Coppercleuch, a place with a post office in the former Megget section of Lyne parish, S Peeblesshire, near the western shore of St Mary's Loch, and 17 miles WSW of its post-town Selkirk. The Boundary Commissioners in 1891 transferred this section of Lyne parish to Yarrow parish, Selkirkshire.

Coquet, a river briefly connected with Oxnam parish, E Roxburghshire. It rises among the Cheviots, close to the English border, and, following it for ¾ mile, turns into Northumberland, there to run 35 miles to the sea at Warkworth, opposite Coquet island.

Coquhalzie. See COLQUHALZIE.

Corah. See KIRKGUNZEON.

Corbally. See DUMFRIES.

Corbie. See ARITY.

Corbiehall. See CARSTAIRS.

Corbiehall, a suburb of Borrowstouness, Linlithgowshire.

Corbie Pot, a romantic glen in Maryculter parish, Kincardineshire, on the mutual border of Maryculter and Kingessie estates. It is notable for the number and variety of its indigenous plants.

Corchian. See BOGIE.

Core or Cor. See TWEED.

Coreen Hills, a mountainous range along the north-western border of the Howe or Vale of Alford, Aberdeenshire, culminating in Lord Arthur's Cairn (1699 feet), on the mutual boundary of Alford and Tullynessle parishes, 5 miles WNW of Alford village. Their lanar mica-slate, of a brownish-black colour, has long been worked.

Corehouse, an estate, with a mansion, and a ruined baronial fortalice, in the NE of Lesmahagow parish, Lanarkshire, 2½ miles S of Lanark. A 'neat, white, lady-like house,' according to Dorothy Wordsworth, the mansion crowns a cliff, at the left side of the river Clyde, a little below CORRA LINN, from which it is almost hidden by lofty trees. It was the seat of the late George Cranstoun (born 1841; died 1890), who was raised to the bench as Lord Corehouse in 1826;

its present owner, Charles J. Edmonstone-Cranstoun, Esq., holds 2560 acres in the shire, valued at £1893 per annum. The ruins of Corra Castle, on the verge of the weather-worn Old Red sandstone cliff immediately above the linn, so overhangs the surging river sweeping on to the fall, as, during spates, to nod and vibrate from base to summit. Both the estate of Corehouse and the fall of Corra Linn are said to have been named from Cora, a shadowy Caledonian princess, who leaped on horseback over the cliff into the cataract. Not the old castle only, but the very cliff above and about and below the linn, trembles from concussion of high floods. As Wordsworth sings:—

'Lord of the vale! astounding Flood!
The dullest leaf in this thick wood
Quakes—conscious of thy power;
The caves reply with hollow moan,
And vibrates to its central tone
Yon time-cemented Tower.'

Corellan, an islet of Poltalloch estate, South Knapdale parish, Argyllshire. It serves for grazing, and is famed for the quality of its beef and mutton.

Corgarff, a *quoad sacra* parish of W Aberdeenshire, comprising the upper or western portion of STRATHDON parish, and thus containing the sources and head-streams of the river Don. Formed in 1874, it is in the presbytery of Alford and synod of Aberdeen. Its church, on the Don's left bank, 1274 feet above sea-level, and 7½ miles WSW of Strathdon church, was built in 1835, and, with a manse, cost nearly £1000, defrayed by Sir Charles Forbes, Bart. Near it are a post office, and it has a public school, with accommodation for 44 children, and a Roman Catholic chapel. Corgarff Castle, 1½ mile higher up, on the opposite bank of the Don, is a small, oblong, four-storied building with wings, which, purchased by Government in 1746 from Forbes of Skelater, was garrisoned from 1827 till 1831 by 58 soldiers to support the civil authorities in the suppression of smuggling. The tragic story of the burning of its predecessor by Sir Adam Gordon of Auchincleuch, in 1551, 1571, or 1581, has been repeated by a number of topographers, who often, however, relate the same event as occurring in 1571 at the Castle of Towie, to which indeed it properly belongs.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 75, 1876.

Corhabbie Hill, a summit (2563 feet) on the mutual border of Mortlach and Inveraven parishes, Banffshire, 7½ miles SSW of Duftown, and 4½ SSE of Ben Rinnes.

Corkindale Law. See NEILSTON.

Cormorant's Cave. See STAFFA.

Corncairn, Banffshire. See CORNHILL.

Corncocklemoor. See LOCHMABEN.

Cornhill, an estate, with an elegant modern mansion, in Culter parish, E Lanarkshire, 2½ miles SW of Biggar. It was purchased from the Handyside family, in 1866, by Alex. Kay, Esq., who owns 833 acres in the shire, valued at £388 per annum.

Cornhill, a village in the Corncairn or northern district of Ordiqhull parish, Banffshire, on an affluent of the Burn of Boyne, with a station on the Banffshire railway, 8½ miles SW by W of Banff, under which it has a post and telegraph office. Fairs are held here on the second Thursday of every month.

Cornie Burn. See ABERCORN.

Cornton, a place in Logie parish, Stirlingshire, 1½ mile N of Stirling. It was the scene of the battle of STIRLING in 1297.

Corodule, a cave on the E side of South Uist island, Inverness-shire, contiguous to the sea, at the foot of a high hill-range, between Lochs Skippert and Eynort. It gave shelter to Prince Charles Edward for some days in May 1746.

Corpach, a village in Kilmallie parish, Inverness-shire (transferred from Argyllshire in 1891 by the Boundary Commissioners), at the southern extremity of the CALEDONIAN CANAL, 2½ miles NNW of Fort William. The landing-place of passengers by the steamers on the route between Oban and Inverness, it communicates with Banavie by omnibus; and at it are a hotel, the parish church of Kilmallie, and a Free church.

Corr, A-Choire, or Coir' an Fhearna, a loch of Farr parish, central Sutherland, 6 miles SE of Altaharow inn at the head of Loch Naver, from which lake it is screened by BENCINNICH (3154 feet). Lying itself 570 feet above sea-level, it has an utmost length from SW to NE of 3½ miles, whilst in width it varies between 2½ and 3½ furlongs. At its head it communicates with Loch a Vellich, and from its foot sends off a stream to the river Naver. Its trout are large and plentiful.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 106, 1880.

Corrachree, an estate, with a modern mansion, in Logie-Coldstone parish, Aberdeenshire, 2 miles SW of Tarland.

Corrah. See CORAH.

Corra Linn, a fall on the river Clyde, on the boundary between Lanark and Lesmahagow parishes, Lanarkshire, ½ mile below Bonnington Linn, and 1½ mile S of Lanark town. It makes a total descent of 84 feet, but it encounters two ledges of rock, and so is practically a series of cascades—first, a fall of a few feet; next, after a brief break, another of 30 feet; then, a tumultuous rapid of 30 yards; and, lastly, a grand concluding leap into 'a basin, enclosed by noble rocks, with trees, chiefly hazels, birch, and ash, growing out of their sides wherever there is any hold for them.' The river, from Bonnington Linn, is all a continuous rapid, along the bottom of an Old Red sandstone chasm, narrow and 70 to 100 feet high, down which it hurries, under deep gloom and with hoarse, hollow, ever-growing roar. But, at Corra Linn, its previous tumult increases to thunder, its dash of waters is canopied with clouds of spray, sparkling at times with all the colours of the rainbow; and its cataracts blend with the scenery of a surrounding rocky amphitheatre, which rises in places to 120 feet, to produce an effect that is almost overwhelming. A gorge about 8 feet wide, a little above the linn, shows traces of an ancient drawbridge; is reached, from the brink of the chasm, by a narrow path down a shelving descent; and commands a striking view of the ruined castle of Corehouse. One excellent view, both of the linn itself and of an expanse of country westward to a distant skyline, is got from a pavilion built in 1708 on a bank overlooking the cliffs, and furnished with mirrors which reflect the scenery. Another, with backgrounds away to Ben Lomond, and with many intervening features of high interest, is got at a spot opposite the darkest part of the linn's amphitheatre, reached by a pleasant sloping path. And the best close view of the linn itself, commanding its aspects in their highest force, is got from a spot at the bottom of the amphitheatre, directly in front of the linn, down a rustic staircase of wood-work and natural rock, designed in 1829 by Lady Mary Ross, the then proprietrix. Corra Linn entrances all beholders, however fastidious or far-travelled they may be, and it has been more studied by draughtsmen, more sung by poets, than almost any other place in Scotland. See CLYDE, COREHOUSE, and pp. 36, 37, of Dorothy Wordsworth's *Tour in Scotland* (ed. by Prince Shairp, 1874).

Corran, a headland in Cowal, Argyllshire, at the deflection of Loch Goil from Loch Long.

Corran Narrows, a strait, 1½ furlong wide, between Loch Linnhe and Lower Loch Eil. On the E shore stands Corran Inn, 8½ miles SW of Fort William; on the W are Corran lighthouse and ARDCOUR hamlets; and a ferry plies between. Ben Nevis is distinctly seen from here, and to the right there is a grand view of Glencoe. The lighthouse shows a fixed white light up Loch Eil and down Loch Linnhe, and a fixed red light toward the Narrows from Ardsheel Point to Coireherrich Point, both visible at a distance of 10 nautical miles.

Corrennie, a long hill ridge on the mutual border of Tough, Cluny, and Kincardine O'Neil parishes, Aberdeenshire, culminating in Benaquhallie at a height of 1621 feet above sea-level.

Corrachie, a marshy hollow almost surrounded by summits of the Hill of Fare, in the N of Banchory-Ternan parish, on the border of Kincardine and Aberdeenshire, 3½ miles SW of Echt, and 15 W of Aber-

deen. It is traversed by a brook of its own name, a head-stream of the Black Burn; and it was the scene, on 23 Oct. 1562, of an action between the forces of Queen Mary under the Earl of Moray, and the followers, barely 500 in number, of the Earl of Huntly, who was easily routed, himself being smothered in his armour, and Sir John Gordon, his son, and Mary's would-be suitor being executed at Aberdeen, with others of the family. From a natural granite seat hard by the Queen is said to have afterwards beheld the battlefield; and it and a spring still bear the names of the Queen's Chair and Queen Mary's Well. A good old ballad celebrates the skirmish.

Corrie, a village on the E coast of Arran island, Buteshire, $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles N by E of Brodick. It has a telegraph post office, an inn, and a small harbour; it communicates regularly with the steamers plying between the upper Clyde ports and Lamash; and it exports large quantities of limestone, quarried in the neighbourhood.

Corrie, an ancient parish of Annandale, Dumfriesshire, since 1609 annexed to Hutton, and forming its southern section. Corrie Water, rising near the Eskdalemuir border at 800 feet above sea-level, runs 7 miles south-south-westward through the interior, and along the boundary with Applegarth and Dryfesdale, and falls into the Water of Milk, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of Lockerbie. Corrie church stood 1 mile E of Corrie Water, and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile NNE of its confluence with the Milk. See HUTTON.

Corriegills, a point on the eastern coast of Arran, Buteshire, immediately S of the entrance to Brodick Bay. It exhibits veins of eruptive rocks ascending through sandstone, and presents an enormous boulder, which figures conspicuously over a great extent of coast.

Corrieabbie. See CORRABBIE.

Corrieknows, a farm on the SE border of Cumbertees parish, Dumfriesshire, $1\frac{1}{4}$ mile W of Annan. A vast quantity of ancient swords, spears, battle-axes, and other muniments of war, were found here about the year 1828, and are supposed to have been relics of some great unrecorded battle, fought before the time of the founding of Annan.

Corriemony, a finely-wooded estate, with a mansion, in Urquhart and Glenmoriston parish, Inverness-shire, at the head of Glen Urquhart, 9 miles W of Drumadrochit on Loch Ness. Its owner, L. A. Macpherson, Esq., holds 10,856 acres in the shire, valued at £1085 per annum. On the estate is a public school, with accommodation for 32 children.

Corriemuchloch, a hamlet in the N of Crieff parish, Perthshire, $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile SSW of Anulree. It was the scene of the 'Battle of Corriemuchloch'—a repulse by smugglers of a party of Scots Greys.

Corriemulzie, a burn in the Braemar section of Crathie parish, SW Aberdeenshire, running $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles W and N to the Dee, near Marr Lodge, 3 miles WSW of Castleton. It traverses a narrow birch-clad ravine; and in its short career has a total descent of 1150 feet, forming one very beautiful cascade.

Corrievechan (Gael. 'Erean's cauldron'), a strait between the Argyllshire islands of Jura and Scarba. Scarcely a mile across, it lies about 2 miles W of the route of the Oban steamers, and is seldom traversed by boats, never by ships. The tides—running sometimes 13 miles an hour—here meet round a steep pyramidal rock, which rises from a depth of 100 fathoms to within 15 feet of the surface, and cause a whirlpool, dangerous enough to small craft in stormy weather and at flood-tides. This whirlpool by fancy has been exaggerated into another Malström, the haunt of strange and horrible sea-monsters. Also of mermaids, for Leydon's version of the Gaelic legend tells how Macphail of Colonsay, passing the Corrievechan, was carried off by one, and for years kept in pleasant durance in a cavern beneath the sea. According to Joyce's *Irish Names and Places* (2d ser. 1875), the name *Corrievechan* was first applied to a whirlpool in the sound between Rathlin Island and the coast of Antrim, and was thence transferred to the Scotch locality, most likely by the monks of Iona.

Corriskin. See CORUISK.

Corryarrick (Gael. *coire-cuirigh*, 'rising ravine'), a dreary mountain ridge on the mutual border of Boleskine and Laggan parishes, central Inverness-shire, 7 miles SSE of Fort Augustus. Parting Glenmore from Upper Strathspey, it culminates in Corryarrick Hill (2922 feet) and Carn Leac (2889), midway between which, at 2507 feet above the sea, Wade formed about 1735 his military road from the Bridge of Laggan to Fort Augustus. 'This,' says Hill Burton, 'the most truly Alpine road in the British dominions, has been left to decay, and large portions of it have been swept away by torrents, so that the zigzag lines by which the military engineer endeavoured to render the steep side of an abrupt mountain accessible to artillery, have been tumbled into heaps of rubbish like natural scours.' See also H. Skrine's *Three Successive Tours in the North of England and Great Part of Scotland* (Lond. 1795).

Corrybeg, a hamlet in Kilmalie parish, N Argyllshire, on the northern shore of Upper Loch Eil, 8 miles WNW of Fort William.

Corrybrough, an estate, with a mansion, in Moy and Dalarrasie parish, Inverness-shire, on the right bank of the Findhorn, 16 miles SE of Inverness. Its owner, Herbert Charles Malkin, Esq., owns 6900 acres in the shire, valued at £625 per annum.

Corry Our. See MUTHILL.

Corryvarligan, a mountain pass on the mutual border of Inverness and Ross shires, traversed by a wild road from Loch Hourn Head to Shielhouse on Loch Duich. It has, at the summit point of the road, an elevation of 2000 feet above sea-level; and it commands there a very striking view.

Corryveikin. See CORRIEVRECHAN.

Corrancoke, a hill (1547 feet) in New Cumnock parish, Ayrshire, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles E by N of New Cumnock village.

Corsbie, a ruined tower in the parish and $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile ENE of the village of Legerwood, E Berwickshire.

Corse. See COLL.

Corseglass. See DALBY, Kirkcudbrightshire.

Corsehill, an estate in Stewarton parish, Ayrshire. Belonging to Sir William J. M. Cuninghame, Bart., V.C., commander of the Glasgow Volunteer Brigade, it has a ruined ancient castle, celebrated by the author of 'My Grandfather's Farm;' and there are lime-works on it.

Corsemill or **Crossmill**, a village in Abbey parish, Renfrewshire, on the left bank of the Levern, 1 mile NNE of Barrhead.

Corsewall, a mansion, a ruined castle, and a headland with a lighthouse in Kirkcolm parish, W Wigtonshire. The mansion stands amid finely-wooded policies, near the W shore of Loch Ryan, in the northern vicinity of Kirkcolm village, and 6 miles NNW of Stranraer; its owner, Jn. Carriek-Moore, Esq. (b. 1805; suc. 1860), holds 3362 and 2069 acres in Wigton and Ayr shires, valued at £2920 and £1726, 10s. per annum. The castle, 3 miles NW, is now only part of a thick-walled tower 20 feet high; and, in the latter part of last century, was found to contain a cannon 7 feet long. The headland is situated 1 mile NW of the castle, and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles WSW of Milleur Point at the entrance to Loch Ryan. Its lighthouse is 92 feet high, and shows every minute a revolving light, alternately red and white, and visible for 15 nautical miles. It has a siren fog-horn, giving four blasts in quick succession every three minutes.

Corskie. See GARTLY.

Corsock, a small village and a *quoad sacra* parish in Kirkcudbrightshire. The village stands on the eastern verge of Parton parish and on the right bank of Urr Water, 6 miles NE of Parton station; at it are a post office under Dalbeatie, with money order, etc., departments, a temperance hotel, the *quoad sacra* church (1839), a Free church, and a public school, which, with accommodation for 110 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 89, and a grant of £91, 13s. The parish, comprising portions of the civil parishes of Parton, Balmacellan, and Kirkpatrick-Durham, contains also Neither Corsock hamlet, 2 miles S by W of the village; and Corsock Loch ($2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{2}$ furl.), $\frac{3}{4}$ mile W by S. On Hall-

croft farm stood Corsock Castle, the residence of Robert Nelson, the Covenanted confessor; and Corsock House was the seat of the late Mr Murray Dunlop, M.P. for Greenock, to whose memory a granite obelisk has been erected. Corsock is in the presbytery of Kirkcudbright and synod of Galloway; the minister's stipend is £193. Pop. (1861) 544, (1871) 563, (1881) 551, (1891) 540.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 9, 1863.

Corstorphine, a village and a parish of NW Edinburghshire. The village stands at the south-western base of Corstorphine Hill, on the Glasgow road, 3 miles W by S of Edinburgh, with which it communicates many times a day by omnibuses running in connection with the Coltbridge trams, whilst $\frac{3}{4}$ mile SSE is Corstorphine station on the Edinburgh and Glasgow section of the North British. Sheltered from cold winds, and lying open to the sun, it commands a fair prospect across the wide level plain to Craiglockhart and the Pentlands, and is itself a pleasant little place, with a few old houses, and many more good cottages and first-class villas, a growth—still growing—of the last few years. At it are a post office, with money order, savings' bank, and railway telegraph departments, 4 inns, a subscription library, a public school, the antique parish church, in connection with which a mission hall was opened in 1886, and a Free church with spire (1870; enlarged 1889). A sulphurous spring here was held in high medicinal repute about the middle of the 18th century, when Corstorphine was a fashionable resort of Edinburgh citizens, and had its balls and suchlike amusements of a watering-place. To the E, on the lower slope of the hill, is the Convalescent Home (50 beds) of the Royal Infirmary, Edinburgh, a plain but dignified building, which, standing in spacious grounds, was planned by Messrs Peddie & Kinnear, and opened in 1867. To the S, between the village and the station, is the Edinburgh University cricket, football, and running ground, with a good pavilion; and nearer the village are the curious old burg-like dovecot of Corstorphine Castle and the bronze-leaved 'Corstorphine Plane,' which, said to have been brought as a sapling from the East by a monk about 1429, is 73 feet high, and girths 13 feet at 5 feet from the ground. Beneath it in 1679, James, second Lord Forrester, was stabbed by his paramour, one Mistress Nimmo, who was beheaded at the Cross of Edinburgh. These Forresters held Corstorphine barony from 1376, and in 1633 received their title, which in 1808 devolved upon Viscount Grimston, the after first Earl of Verulam. Their castle was burned to the ground about 1790. In the '45 Corstorphine figured as the scene of the ignominious dispersal of a body of Gardiner's dragoons, and as the place where Prince Charles Edward received two deputations from the Edinburgh magistrates. It has been lighted with gas since 1860, and a water supply was introduced from Clubbiedean and the Pentlands in July 1881. Pop. (1861) 688, (1871) 680, (1881) 952, (1891) 1199.

The parish, containing also the village of GOGAR, is bounded N by Cramond, E by St Cuthberts, S by Colinton, SW by Currie and Ratho, and W by Ratho. From E by N to W by S it has an utmost length of $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles; its width varies between 7 furlongs and $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles; and its area is now 3619 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred from this parish to the parish of Currie a small detached portion of 34 acres lying to the south-west of the village of Corstorphine. The surface is an almost unbroken plain, about 200 feet above sea-level, save in the NE, where Corstorphine Hill slopes gradually upwards, its highest point (520 feet) being crowned by square, five-storied, turreted Clermiston Tower, 70 feet high, built in 1872 on occasion of the Scott Centenary. Clothed with Scotch firs and hardwood trees, this hill figures widely in the Lothian landscape, and itself commands a magnificent view, especially from its steeper eastern side, where, at a point called 'Rest-and-be-Thankful,' two benches were placed in 1880 by the Cockburn Association. Thence one beholds the spires and towers of Edinburgh, its schools and hospitals, the Castle and Calton hills, with

Salisbury Craigs and Arthur's Seat for background, and, to the left, the sparkling waters of the Firth of Forth. The rocks belong mainly to the Calciferous Limestone series, but diorite intrudes on Corstorphine Hill, and here it was that Sir James Hall first called attention to striated rock-surfaces due to glacial action. Sandstone was once extensively quarried on the hill itself and on the lands of Kavelston for building in Edinburgh; and trap rock, blue in hue and compact in structure, is worked at West Craigs and Clermiston for dykes and road-metal. The soil of this parish—the 'Garden of Edinburgh'—is mostly a rich black loam, with patches of clay and sand. The fields are carefully managed, and bear fine crops in rotation; and much of the ground is laid out in well-tilled gardens, which furnish fruit and vegetables for the Edinburgh market. The country is nicely wooded, and contains a number of fine residences—Corstorphine House, Beechwood, Belmont, Hillwood, Hill House, Millburn Tower, Kavelston, Clermiston, Gogar House, Gogarburn, etc. Five proprietors hold each an annual value of £500 and upwards, 16 of between £100 and £500, 9 of from £50 to £100, and 16 of from £20 to £50. David Scot, M.D., an eminent Hebraist and man of letters, was minister from 1814 down to his death in 1884. Corstorphine, including portions of the ancient parishes of Gogar and St Cuthberts, is in the presbytery of Edinburgh and synod of Lothian and Tweeddale; the living is worth £281. A chapel, subordinate to St Cuthbert's church in Edinburgh, is noticed as early as 1128, and afterwards was parish church till its demolition in 1644, when its place was filled by a collegiate neighbour. Of this, in November 1881, an intelligent native assured the writer that it was 'wonderfully ancient, built by the Hottentots, who stood in a row and handed the stones on one to another from Kavelston quarry.' Ancient it most unquestionably is, but it was founded in 1429 by Sir John Forrester for a provost, 4 other prebendaries, and 2 singing boys, and dedicated to St John the Baptist. In style Second Pointed, cruciform in plan, it comprises a chancel and N sacristy, a nave, transepts, a little western gable, and a low unbattered tower, pinnacled and capped by a short octagonal spire, where pigeons have built their nests. The older portions, or those that escaped the hand of the 'restorer' in 1828, are curiously roofed with flags of stone, and lavishly sculptured with the Forrester bearings—three bugles, stringed. The interior has been piteously maltreated, the nave and transepts having been patched into a kind of meeting-house (536 sittings), whose bareness is hardly redeemed by a stained-glass window to the memory of John Girdwood (ob. 1861), whilst the chancel serves merely for a vestibule, and is blocked up with a modern gallery staircase. Where stood the altar is now a doorway; but the pre-Reformation piscina and scullia remain, along with a perfect hour-glass; and here lie two of the three Forrester effigies, life-size and mail-clad, in arched recesses. These, with their dames by their side, are the two Sir Johns, the founder and his son, who died in 1440 and 1454; the third, in the S transept, is a grandson, Sir Alexander, though it has often been falsely asserted to be Bernard Stuart, the celebrated Viceroy of Naples, who died, it is true, at Corstorphine in 1508, but who seems to have been buried in the Blackfriars church of Edinburgh. Without, in the churchyard, are many quaint old headstones, among them one, a natural smoothed boulder, to 'John Food, shepherd' (1795), another to 'Francis Joseph Trelss, native of Hungary, and late tenant at Saughten Hall' (1796). The public school, with accommodation for 314 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 196, and a grant of £184, 14s. Valuation £22,585, including £530 for railway. Pop. (1801) 840, (1811) 1461, (1861) 1579, (1871) 1788, (1881) 2156, (1891) 2332.—*Ord. Sur.*, sh. 32, 1857. See vol. i. of *Billings' Baronial Antiquities* (1845); David Laing's *Registrum Domus de Soltre*, etc. (Bannatyne Club, 1861); and *A Mid-Lothian Village*, by G. Upton Selway (Edinb., 1890).

Cortachy and Clova, a very extensive parish of NW

Forfarshire, containing the hamlets of Clova and Cortachy, the latter lying towards the SE corner, 5 miles N by E of Kirriemuir, under which it has a post office. In 1891 the Boundary Commissioners transferred to this parish the Glenprosen detached part (20,630 acres) of the parish of Kirriemuir. This detached part was situated on the east of the parish to which it has now been transferred. Bounded N by Glenmuick in Aberdeenshire, NE by Lochlee and Lethnot, SSE by Tannadice, S by Kirriemuir, SW by Kingoldrum and Glenisla, and NW by Crathie-Braemar in Aberdeenshire, it has an area now of 63,952 acres. Three lakes are Lochs Esk ($1\frac{1}{2} \times 1$ furl.), BRANDY ($\frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{4}$ mile), and Wharral ($3\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$ furl.). The South Esk, rising in the NW corner at 3150 feet above sea-level, runs $20\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-eastward and south-south-eastward through the interior, then $3\frac{3}{4}$ miles along the Tannadice border, receiving on the way White Water, flowing $6\frac{1}{2}$ miles east-south-eastward along Glen Doll; the Burn of Houghs, flowing $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles south-south-westward, and the East Burn of Moye, flowing 5 miles south-south-westward along the Tannadice border. The Calty, again, runs 4 miles S by E upon the boundary with Upper Kirriemuir to PROSEN Water; and this in its turn winds $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles SSE and ESE to the South Esk along all the Kingoldrum and Kirriemuir border. The surface sinks in the extreme SE to less than 400 feet above sea-level, thence rising to Tulloch Hill (1230 feet), the Goal (1466), the Hill of Conternach (1667), Finbracks (2478), Ben Tirran (2860), *Driesh (3105), *Mayar (3043), *Roustie Ley (2868), Tolmount (3143), *Broad Cairn (3268), and *Cairn Bannoch (3314), where asterisks mark those summits that culminate on the borders of the parish. The rocks include Old Red sandstone, clay and mica slate, gneiss, serpentine, trap, and granite; and the soils are as varied as the rocks, in some parts argillaceous, in others a fine gravelly loam, and elsewhere thin, hard, and sandy or stony. The arable lands of the haughs by the watersides bear but a small proportion to hill-pastures and to the deer-forests of Cortachy, Clova, and Bachnagairn; in Glen Clova, whose flora is rich in rare plants, the hill-sides are partially green up to a high elevation, whilst almost to the tops the heather is mixed with 'month' or 'moss' grasses. The property is mostly divided between the Earl of ARLIE and Donald Ogilvy, Esq. of Balmaboth House, the former owning the southern or Cortachy, the latter the northern or Clova, division. The late Earl was a noted improver of cattle; and his polled herd, commenced about 1865, won many coveted prizes. His seat here, Cortachy Castle, finely embosomed by wooded policies on the South Esk, near the hamlet, comprises a 16th-century tower, which escaped the great fire of 14 Sept. 1883, when the large Scottish baronial addition (1872) by the late Mr David Bryce, R.S.A., was gutted; it has since been restored. It has its ghost, or ghostly music rather, which, variously described as that of a single drum or a whole brass band or (more vaguely) heavenly, presages death or gont in the family. Disjoined *quoad sacra* from Clova, Cortachy is in the presbytery of Forfar and synod of Angus and Mearns; the living is worth £219. The church, rebuilt in 1829 at a cost of more than £2000, is a pretty edifice, and contains 550 sittings. Three public schools, Cortachy, Clova, and Watersk, with respective accommodation for 149, 60, and 39 children, had (1891) an average attendance of 45, 16, and 19, and grants of £56, 12s. 6d., £29, 13s. 6d., and £34, 2s. 6d. Valuation (1891) £10,678, 13s. Pop. of civil parish (1881) 442, (1891) 440; of q. s. parish (1881) 323, (1891) 313.—*Ord. Sur.*, shs. 56, 65, 1870. See A. H. Millar's *Historical Castles and Mansions of Perthshire and Forfarshire* (Paisley, 1890).

Coruisk or Corrickin, a fresh-water loch on the mutual border of Strath and Bracadale parishes, in the SE of the Isle of Skye, Inverness-shire, $\frac{1}{2}$ mile N of the head of salt-water Loch SCAVAIG, which communicates by steamlance with Kilbride upon Loch Slapin (14 miles), as that again by public conveyance with Broadford (6 miles). With utmost length and breadth of $1\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ mile, it is of profound depth; contains sea-trout; sands

off a rivulet, the 'Mad Stream,' to Loch Scaavaig, whilst fed itself by hundreds of silvery torrents; and on its surface bears three green islets, that offer a striking contrast to the desolation around. For Coruisk lies, still and sombre, in the cup of the mighty CUCULLINS, which shoot up their bare jagged peaks 3000 feet and more into the sky. To quote Scott's *Lord of the Isles*—

'Rarely human eye has known
A scene so stern as that dread lake,
With its dark ledge of barren stone.
Seems that primeval earthquake's way
Hath rent a strange and shatter'd way

Through the rude bosom of the hill,
And that each naked precipice,
Sable ravine, and dark abyss,

Tells of the outrage still.

The wildest glen, but this, can show
Some touch of Nature's genial glow;
On high Benmore green mosses grow,
And heath-bells bud in deep Glenecro,

And copse on Cruachan-Fen;
But here, above, around, below,

On mountain or in glen,
Nor tree, nor shrub, nor plant, nor flower,
Nor ought of vegetative power,

The weary eye may ken.

For all its rocks at random thrown,—
Black waves, bare crags, and banks of stone,
As if were here denied

The summer sun, the spring's sweet dew,

That clothe with many a varied hue

The blackest mountain-side.'

Whereon Turner, whose pencil delineated the scene to illustrate Sir Walter's poem, remarked, that 'no words could have given a truer picture of this, one of the wildest of Nature's landscapes.' Of many prose descriptions the finest perhaps is that from the Journal of Norman Macleod, under date 1 Sept. 1837:—'Having left our horses at Camasunary, we ascended by a rough road to a pass, from which we obtained a view of Coruisk. Wilson being a bad walker, I was up nearly half an hour before him. Besides I wished to behold Coruisk alone; and, as I ascended the last few blocks of stone which intercepted my view, I felt my heart beat and my breathing becoming thicker than when I was climbing—for I had rested before in order to enjoy the burst undisturbed—and a solemn feeling crept over me as I leapt on the crest of the hill, and there burst upon my sight—shall I attempt to describe it? How dare I! Around me were vast masses of hyperstene, and the ridge on which I stood was so broken and precipitous that I could not follow its descent to the valley. At my feet lay the lake, silent and dark, and round it a vast amphitheatre of precipices. The whole Cucullins seemed gathered in a semicircle round the lake, and from their summits to their base not a blade of verdure,—but one bare, black precipice, cut into dark chasms by innumerable torrents, and having their bases covered by debris and fallen rocks. Nothing could exceed the infinite variety of outline—peaks, points, teeth, pillars, rocks, ridges, edges, steps of stairs, niches—utter wildness and sterility. From this range there are gigantic projections standing out and connected with the main body. And there lay the lake, a part hidden from our view, behind a huge rock. There it lay still and calm, its green island like a green monster floating on its surface. I sat and gazed; "my spirit drank the spectacle." I never felt the same feeling of the horribly wild—no, never; not even in the Tyrolean Alps. There was nothing here to speak of life or human existence. "I held my breath to listen for a sound, but everything was hushed; it seemed abandoned to the spirit of solitude." A few wreaths of mist began to creep along the rocks like ghosts. Laugh at superstition for coupling such scenes with witches and water-kelpies! I declare I felt superstitious in daylight there. Oh, to see it in a storm, with the clouds under the spur of a hurricane, raking the mountain summit!' (*Memoir*, 1876). From these graphic descriptions one may readily conceive that the scenery around the loch is wild, dark, and stern in the extreme. See also Alexander Smith's *Summer in Skye* (1865), and William Black's *Meadow Violet* (1876).

