

## Ancient Monuments in this township

1923 List

### BOWNESS-ON-SOLWAY

#### *Tumuli:*

- (a) Fisher Cross, at Port Carlisle;
- (b) Knock Cross, by the road ½m. E. of Bowness (Whellan, 151) .

#### *Roman:*

- (a) The Wall, from Drumburgh to two or three hundred yds. W. of Bowness.
- (b) Fort at Bowness, N. of church. Inscribed stone refound 1879, now at Carlisle Museum (C.I.L. vii, 952) ; also C.I.L. vii, 949, 949A, 950 (at Bowness), 951 (lost), 1191 (milestone of Caracalla and Elagabalus, lost) .
- (c) Fort at Drumburgh, explored 1899 (F. Haverfield, O.S. xvi, 8i)
- (d) Stones C.I.L. vii, 947, 947A, 94 8, the last two found at Drumburgh Castle; and bronze pan in Mrs. Gillbanks' collection, Clifton, Penrith (N.S. iii, 407).
- (e) Roman stone at Glasson, in Carlisle Museum (C.I.L. vii, 946) .
- (f) Roman quern at Easton, in Mrs. Gillbanks' collection (N.s. iii, 407).
- (g) [Campfield, supposed fort is only shingle ridges (R. S. Ferguson, *Hist. Cumberland*, 72)].
- (h) Undated palisade found 1903 under peat, 1/3 m. S.E. of Biglands House (T. H. Hodgson, N.S. iv, 211)

#### *Church:*

- (a) St. Michael's, Norman with Roman stones, restored 18th cent. and 1891.
- (b) Norman font, new shaft, 1848.
- (c) Effigy built into rectory stable.
- (d) Bells, treble 1616, tenor older.

#### *Pele-tower:*

- (a) site near gate of rectory (T. H. B. Graham, N.S. xi, 240).
- (b) Drumburgh castle, licence to crenellate 1307 to R. le Brun ; rebuilt temp. Henry VIII by Thomas, Lord Dacre (T. H. B. Graham, N.S. xi, 241; Curwen, *Castles*, 202) . From an adjoining house, 12th cent. basin, now at Carlisle Museum (A. Sparke, N.S. ii, I15).

*Cross* :-*Anthorn*, said to mark site of battle with the Scots. Greenwood's map, 1823, marks here " Taylor's Crosses " (W. G. Collingwood in Calverley, *Crosses*, 7) .

*Site:* Fisher's cross was close to the tumulus (above) on N.E.

*Find:* Silver coins temp. Edward I, probably brought from the shore and dropped on the Bowness-Wigton road, 1½ m S. of Bowness (R. S. Ferguson, O.S. viii, 381)

See [Pastscape](#) for much more detail on these and more entries (9 in total – though there may be some overlap with other townships).