

Ancient Monuments in this township

1923 List

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Tumuli :

- (a) Redhills, site 300 yds. S.W. of Belmont, dug 1881; cup-marked stone in Penrith Museum (M. W. Taylor, O.S. vi, 110);
- (b) Cist found, 1880, ½ m. E.S.E. of Stainton, (J. C. Ward, O.S. iii, 247).
- (c) Cist found at Stainton Banks, 1m. W. of Sockbridge mill.
- (d) Stone coffins, urns, etc. found at Fluskew pike, 2m. N. of Aldby (Jefferson, *Leath Ward*, 200).

Hill fort: "Dunmallet," double trenches on the N.; . a later building within the fort (M. W. Taylor, O.S. i, 157; J. C. Ward, O.S. iii, 248; T. H. B. Graham, N.S. XI, 233).

Anglian cross-fragment, the "Lion" stone, 9th cent., now in the church, and a 10th cent. cross shaft also there. Arch stone of (?)Anglo-Saxon light, in S. wall of chancel. Apparently site of the Anglian monastery at Dacre c. 700, mentioned by Bede (Calverley, *Crosses*, 113; W. G. Collingwood, N.S. xii, 157).

Church, St. Andrew's; tower arch ? 12th cent.; chancel and priest's door E.E.; the round piers of nave c. 1250, and the octagonal piers c. 1400 ; three clerestory windows on each side Perp. Tower rebuilt 1817; much restoration 1874. Four bears in churchyard (R. S. Ferguson, O.S. xi, 323).

Site of St. John's chapel, extinct before 1571, at the cross-roads at Keldhead (Jefferson, *Leath Ward*, 199).

Castle and moat: Dacre castle, 14th cent., part inhabited. [The meeting of the three kings, if, as is probable, it took place near here, was 400 years before this castle was built]. (Curwen, *Castles*, 2691.

Domestic :

- (a) Dalemain, late 17th cent.
- (b) Great Blencow farm; dovecot, lintel 1789, repaired 1884 (O.S. ix, 429)
- (c) Grammar School, Great Blencow, rebuilt 1793.

Old road: through Palat [hill] to Alanby (Perambulation of Inglewood, 1300).

Site of " Baron's cross," near Stainton; remains seen 1840 (Jefferson, *Leath Ward*, 199) .

Finds : great silver brooch of the Viking Age, found 1785, 300 yds. N. of Fluskew pike (British Museum; reproduction in Carlisle Museum)

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