

Ancient Monuments in this township

1923 List

DALSTON

Tumuli :

- (a) site of a circle and tumulus, Chapel Flat (N. and B. ii, 323).
- (b) One with ring-mound, Broadfield near Highhead; cists and bones found (Whellan, 521).
- (c) One, or foundations, Grandy close, Gowbarrow park (Miss Kuper, O.S. x, 257).
- (d) The " tumuli " on old Ordnance map, W. of Dalston Hall, were found to be natural hillocks (R. S. Ferguson, O.S. ix, 117).]

Earthworks :

- (a) Cunningarth, 40 yds. square (Lysons, *Cumberland*, cxlviii; Whellan, 162), Site, 300 yds. N.E. of Park House (Ordnance map).
- (b) Castlesteads, Stockdalewath; square enclosure, inner and outer vallum, 188 by 160 yds., stones and ashes (? early village site).
- (c) Whitestones, near Castlesteads;
- (d) and near both, at Stoneraise foundations, burials and dykes found (*Archaeologia*, ix, 223).

Roman :

- (a) Road, Newby Cross to Cardewlees, used as highway in 1300.
- (b) Quarries on the Shawk with rock-inscriptions (C.I.L. vii, 921) now destroyed.
- (c) Roman inscribed fragment at Dalston, now at Carlisle Museum (E.E. ix, 1223)

Rose Castle, on site of motte, of which the bailey is traceable to E.

(C. J. Ferguson, O.S. ii, 156; Canon J. Wilson, *Rose Castle*, passim). Dovecot, 17th cent. (R. S. Ferguson, O.S. ix, 425).

The Bishop's Dyke, mentioned 1428; double ditch with causeway between; the N. part remaining, but the dyke was continued to the Shawk (Canon J. Wilson, *Rose Castle*, 184; R. S. Ferguson, O.S. vii, 271; T. H. B. Graham, N.S. xiii, 24; Curwen, *Castles*, 193).

Church:

- (a) St. Michael's; lower courses 12th cent.; 13th cent. remains in chancel; partly rebuilt 1749; restorations 1873, 1890. Lowside window. Stone bench in S. aisle. Grave slab. Burial place of Bishop Rainbow, 1684, and Bishop Percy, 1856.
- (b) Chapel, N.E. of Highhead, mentioned 1358; rebuilt 1682, restored 1836.
- (c) Christ Church, Ivegill, 1 m. E. of Highhead, built 1868.

(d) Chapel Flat, ? site of Hugh de Lilford's hermitage, c. 1343 (N. and B. ii, 323) W. of Bracken How.

(e) Quaker Cemetery, above packhorse bridge in Ivegill (O.S. x, 267).

Towers:

(a) Dalston Hall, of de Dalston, c. 1498 and additions (C. J. Ferguson, O.S ii, 165 ; Curwen, *Castles*, 366).

(b) Highhead Castle, rebuilt 1744-48 (J. H. Martindale, N.S. xi, 379; Curwen, *Castles*, 209). Castle gate ½ m. to N. Dovecot early 18thcent. (R. S. Ferguson, O.S. ix, 424).

Domestic:

(a) Blackwell wood, lintel of 1590 (O.S. vii, 209).

(b) Cardew farm, 1719, of Porters; and old cottages, one with lintel of 1709 (Miss Kuper, O.S. x, 261).

(c) Beacon Hill, 1 m. N.W. of Ivegill; beacon in 1688 (T. Denton). N. and B (i, xliv) mention Lingy close head as beacon, 1468.

Old road : Gaitskaille (Gatesgill) to Dalston church, 1598 (N.S. xiv, 68).

Well: " Helly well " at Shawk quarries.

See [Pastscape](#) for much more detail on these and more entries (196 in total – though there may be some overlap with other townships).