

Ancient Monuments in this township

1926 List

LOWTHER

Tumulus on Hackthorpe farm, opened 1866; cist, urns, flints, jet found (J. Mawson, o.s. ii, II).

Circles :

- (a)? ½m. N. of Baxter Rash on Lowther Scar (Hodgson, *Westd.*, 133).
- (b) Two near Lowther church (N.s. xii, 148) ;
- (c) ? hut-circles; one on Knipe In Scar; remains of a group " The Folds in the Wood " (Miss Noble, N.S. vii, 211; Canon Simpson, o.s. vi, 177-8), a " Brit. Sett."

Viking Age three hogbacks in Lowther churchyard (Calverley, *Crosses*, 231; W. G. Collingwood, N.S. vii, 152).

Church, mentioned *temp.* Henry II; St. Michael's. Four arches in N. arcade of nave 12th cent. Piers of central tower E.E. S. arcade Perp. Lowther chapel; effigy of John, Viscount Lowther d. 1700 (N.s. iv, 138) who remodelled the church in 1686; effigy of Sir Rich. Lowther, d. 1607 (N.s. ii, 9) ; busts of Sir J. Lowther, 1637; and Sir J. Lowther, 1675. Church restored 1856. Graveslab, (Bower, N.S. ix, 2). Lowther mausoleum) in churchyard, 1857; statue of Wm., earl of Lonsdale, 1863 (N.s. iv, 139). Cross-base.

Lowther Castle; mentioned 1288 (F. W. Ragg, N.S. xxiv, 317). The 14th cent. tower etc. burnt down 1726; the whole rebuilt 1802-8 (Curwen, *Castles*, 300). Collection of antiquities.

Domestic:

- (a) Hackthorpe Hall, of Lowthers (N. & B. i, 441).
- (b) Melkinthorpe Hall, of Musgraves (N. & B. i, 443)
- (c) Schoolhouse, built 1640 (N. & B. i, 441).

Old road: " Staingate," W. of Hag wood and through Lowther village.

Bridge: " Bradwath " named 1347 (Clarke, *Survey of the Lakes*, 6) ; bridge mentioned 1362 (*Test Karl.*, 64) ; repairs 1380 (*Cal. Pat. Rolls, 1377-81*, 530, quoted by J. F. Curwen, MS.)

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