

Ancient Monuments in this township

1926 List

RAVENSTONEDALE.

Stone circle near Rawthey bridge (N. & B. i, 529).

Ancient village, Old Biggin; and enclosures, Severals (N.s. ii,400).

Terraces : Capel Butts and Capel Riggs (*ibid.*).

Earthworks

(a) "Giant's Graves " explored without result (*ibid.*).

(b) Dykes on either side of Smardale beck. Ravenstonedale Parks enclosed by the first Lord Wharton. Gallows hill in the park (N.S. ii, 401).

Churches :

(a) Ravenstonedale, mentioned 1291; St. Oswalds. Tower rebuilt 1738 and church rebuilt 1744 near old site. Threedecker pulpit 1743. Five bells, one of 1694. Cross-base in churchyard now carrying dial (Rev. R. W. Metcalfe, N.S. ii, 401; D. Scott, N.S. xxiii, 280). The pitch-pipe is at Coldbeck.

(b) St. Helen's chapel at Newbiggin, remains, and well (N.s. ii, 400). [St. Aidan's, Newbiggin, 18921.

(c) Presbyterian chapel, 1726, now Congregational (N.S. ii, 403).

(d) School rebuilt 1758 (N. & B. i, 524).

Domestic:

(a) Tarn House or Hall; 14th cent. windows; house rebuilt 1664; Fothergill arms (N.s. ii, 405) .

(b) Coldbeck, collection of antiquities (N.s. ii, 404).

Old lead-mines, E. of Street (O.M.).

Old roads :

(a) High Street, Rawthey bridge-Street-Tarn House (N. & B. i, 529). Rawthey bridge repaired 1584-6 (*Hist. MSS.Corn. xii*, 11).

(b) Ancient track Tebay-Kirkby Stephen went off the turnpike road (made after 1760) at Newbiggin to Smardale bridge (J. F. Curwen, MS.).

Find: Copper vessel, 1774, ½m. from town head (N. & B. i, 529).

See [Pastscape](#) for much more detail on these and more entries (144 in total – though there may be some overlap with other townships).