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## CRANSHAWS, ABBEY ST. BATHANS, BUNKLE

WITH PRESTON AND LONGFORMACUS.

**CRANSHAWS** is a small parish, lying amongst the Lammermoor hills, and intersected by the parish of Longformacus; it is about 30 miles E. by S. from Edinburgh, 15 S.E. from Haddington, and about 7½ N.W. from Dunse. The old castle of Cranshaws is an edifice of great strength, and still entire. The remains of many encampments shew, what both traditionary and historical records testify, that this part of the country has been the scene of much bloodshed and strife.

The parish of **ABBAY ST. BATHANS**, seven miles from Dunse, is also situate in the midst of the Lammermoor hills. The soil is light and dry, and on the banks of the Whiteadder fertile and well cultivated; but the hilly district is barren, and covered with heath. The remains of an ancient abbey of Bernardines, founded in 1170, and dedicated to St. Bathans, by one of the Countesses of March, form the only object of interest or curiosity in the parish.

**BUNKLE** (or *Bunkle*) and **PRESTON** is a united parish, forming a square of nearly six miles. The soil on the high lands, towards the Lammermoor hills, is

thin, dry, and poor; but, by the application of lime and marl, it has been much improved. The rest of the parish, particularly on the banks of the Whiteadder, is a fertile loam. During the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, the lands in the parish of *Bonhill* (then so called) were in the possession of a family of the same name: in the wars of the Bruce, Sir Alexander de Bonhill is frequently noticed; one of his female descendants marrying Sir John Stewart, had a son, who was created Earl of Angus in 1329; this title, in 1377, merged in the family of Douglas—and they, in addition to the title of Earls of Angus, are sometimes called Lords of Bonhill.

The parish of **LONGFORMACUS**, about seven miles from Dunse, is of a most irregular figure, but generally estimated at twelve miles in length by six in breadth; it lies in the Lammermoor district—is hilly, and for the most part pastoral; but the low grounds are well cultivated. With the exception of two strikingly fine conical hills, called 'Darrington-Laws,' the parish does not possess any localities of attraction or interest.

## CLERGY.

M'Concehy Rev. Archibald, Bunkle  
Riddle Rev. Andrew, Longformacus  
Sibbald Rev. James, Cranshaws  
Wallace Rev. Jno. Abbey St. Bathans

## SHOPKEEPERS &amp; TRADERS.

Anderson William, cartwright, Long-  
formacus  
Bertram William, blacksmith, Cran-  
shaws  
Craig Robert, joiner, Bunkle  
Currie Robert, grocer, Longformacus

Edger James, blacksmith, Abbey

St. Bathans

Fogo John, shoemaker, Longfor-  
macus

Fortune John, tailor, Longformacus

Gillie James, grocer, Cranshaws

Lillie David, blacksmith, Bunkle

Moscip Wm. vintner, Longformacus

Neil Robert, blacksmith, Long-  
formacus

Pringle Martha, vintner, Abbey St.

Bathans

Wilson Jane, grocer, Longformacus

## ESTABLISHED CHURCHES.

ABBAY ST. BATHANS, Rev. John

Wallace

BUNKLE, Rev. Archibald M'Concehy

CRANSHAWS, Rev. James Sibbald

LONGFORMACUS, Rev. Andw. Riddle

## PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.

ABBAY ST. BATHANS, John Logan

BUNKLE, John Johnston

CRANSHAWS, James Neilson

LONGFORMACUS, William Wanless

**CARRIER.**  
To HADDINGTON, James Gillie, from  
Cranshaws, every Friday.

## DUNSE,

WITH THE VILLAGES OF EIDROM, ALLANTON AND GAVINTON.

**DUNSE** is a burgh of barony, and the largest town (Berwick excepted) in the shire; it is 44 miles E. by S. from Edinburgh, 15 W. from Berwick, 11 from Ayton, and 8 N.N.E. from Greenlaw; situate nearly in the centre of the county, on a fine plain, under the southern skirts of Dunse-Law, upon which beautiful hill, before the town was burned down, it formerly stood. Its present position, at the head of a plain twenty-five miles long, encompassed on three sides by the Lammermoor ridge, the river Whiteadder running by it, is both beautiful and grand. Dunse is a place of high antiquity; but, from its situation near the border, it was frequently destroyed by the English, before the succession of James to the throne of Elizabeth, on one of those occasions the town records were burned, so that no authentic account of its origin or early history has been transmitted to later ages. The houses are generally well built, and the suburbs are adorned with many elegant villas. Dunse Castle is a splendid modern mansion, in the castellated style, standing about half a mile to the north of the town: the ancient edifice was the strong hold of Randolph, Earl of Moray, the nephew and co-patriot of Bruce; it is now the seat of William Hay, Esq.: the interior decorations of the house, and the paintings with which it is embellished, render it one of the finest residences in this district of Scotland. The town is governed by a bailie, appointed by Mr. Hay, who is the superior of it; and the feuars manage other affairs by a council of nine. A justice of peace court, for the recovery of small debts, is held on the first Monday of every month. The town-house, a fine Gothic building, stands in the centre of the market-place; it was originally founded by the Earl of Moray before mentioned, and the present edifice was erected in 1816. Though it cannot be styled a manufacturing town, Dunse derives considerable advantage in the shape of weaving for Glasgow houses, the business of which is transacted by agents here: among the other principal sections of trade may be enumerated breweries, two paper and several corn mills in the neighbourhood, and a rope-walk. There are two good inns—the 'Black Bull,' in the street of its name, and the 'White Swan,' in the Market-place;

also two branch-bank establishments, and a bank for savings. A masonic lodge, Sunday and parochial schools, and some charitable institutions, are well supported.

The places of worship are the parish church, two congregations of the united secession body, and a relief chapel; Mr. Hay is the patron of the church, which was erected in 1790. The learned and celebrated metaphysician and theologian, Joannes Duns Scotus, was born here in 1274, and died at Cologne in 1308. The Rev. Thomas Boston, author of the 'Fourfold State,' and other works—Abraham Robertson, LL.D., professor of astronomy at Oxford—and Thos. M'Crie, D.D. in Edinburgh, were likewise born here. The weekly market is held on Wednesday: there are three great fairs for cattle and horses, viz., on the first Tuesday in June, the 26th of August, and the 17th of November; and four fairs for sheep, viz., on the fourth Wednesday in March, third Wednesday in May, second Wednesday in July, and fourth Wednesday in September.

Eidrom is a village in the parish of its name, about three miles and a half east from Dunse; situate near the road leading from that town to Chirnside, and on the banks of the Whiteadder, on which, at Chirnside-bridge, there is a paper-mill in operation. The parish of Eidrom, which is ten miles in length by six in breadth, is watered by the Blackadder and Whiteadder streams; and the celebrated mineral spring, Dunse Spa, is on the borders of this parish. Much of the soil is fertile, and produces excellent corn; but towards the hills it is moorish and shallow. At ALLANTON, a delightful little rural village in this parish, the two rivers above-mentioned unite.

GAVINTON is a village in the parish of Langton, situate two miles from Dunse, and half a mile south of the site of the old village of Langton, which has entirely disappeared. The present village, which is neat and regular in its form, obtained its name from Mr. Gavin, the late proprietor of the estate of Langton, which includes nearly the whole parish; it now belongs to his daughter and heirs, who married the first Marquess of Breadalbane in 1793. Formerly the proprietor of Langton occupied a castle in Langton wood; but for the last hundred years the family have



resided at the mansion here, Langton House. In a small chapel in Langton wood, between the years 1670 and 1689, the presbyterians used to assemble for worship; and it was in this humble and secluded temple

that Veitch, and some other eminent divines, occasionally preached. After the latter period it was used for a short time by the episcopalians, after which it fell to decay, and not a trace of the building now remains.

**POST OFFICE.** East street, DUNSE, Ann Selby, *Post Mistress*.—Letters from AYTON arrive (by horse post) every afternoon at three, and are despatched every morning at seven.—Letters from COLDSTREAM arrive (by horse post) every morning at ten, and are despatched every day at twelve.

#### NOBILITY, GENTRY, AND CLERGY.

Ainslie Douglas, esq. of Cairnbank  
Bird Mrs. Janet, Castle st  
Bonar —, esq. of Kimmergham  
Boswell Mrs. Blackadder  
Breadalbane the Marchioness Dowager of, Langton house  
Brown Major Alex. Trinity lodge  
Brown Mr. John, R. N. Dunse  
Brown Rev. Jno. D. D. Langton manse  
Buchan George, esq. of Kellie  
Carnegie John, esq. of Edrom  
Cunningham Rev. George, Manse  
Cunningham Mrs. Langton gate  
Cuthbertson Rev. Alexandr. Edrom  
Garstein Mrs. St. Mary's cottage  
Gray the Misses, Castle st  
Hay William, esq. of Dunse castle  
Home Lieut. Col. Jas. Broomhouse  
Home Jno. Forman, esq. Wedderburn  
Mackay Major Colin, Big house  
Mackenzie Wm. esq. Currie's wynd  
Peat George, esq. Wellnace  
Ralston Rev. John, Pleasance  
Robertson Rev. John, New town  
Ross Major, Nisbet  
Smith Lieut. Andrew, R. N. Castle st  
Stuart Mrs. Mary, Castle st  
Swinton Mrs. Old Edrom  
Thomson Mrs. Ann, Castle st  
Thomson Miss Elizabeth, Castle st  
Thomson Rev. John, East st  
Thomson Rev. William, New town  
Turnbull Mrs. Margt. Langton gate  
Wetherston Mr. Archd. Pleasance

#### ACADEMIES AND SCHOOLS.

Not otherwise described are Day Schools.  
Brown Miss C. (ladies' boarding & day), South street  
Fortune James, East st  
INFANTS' SCHOOL (New town)—  
Miss Heriot, mistress  
James Donald, Castle street  
Laird George, Horse market  
Marshall John, Allanton  
Maule Thomas (boarding and day),  
New town

Norrie Jane, East street  
PAROCHIAL, Dunse—Jno. Mercer,  
master

PAROCHIAL, Edrom—Airth, master  
PAROCHIAL, Gavinton—Jno. Gow,  
master [Currie's wynd]

Waite John (boarding and day),

#### AGENTS TO MANUFACTURERS.

Davidson John, Castle st  
Patterson James, Horse market  
Pringle William, Horse market  
Stewart William, New town

#### AUCTIONEER.

Jameson Archibald, Market place

#### BAKERS.

Brown William, East st  
Cockburn Adam, Blackbull st  
Gibb William, Castle st  
Hill Davidson, Market place  
Hunter Alexander, South st  
Johnston William, Allanton  
Moffet Andrew, Golden square  
Norrie Joseph, Shambles wynd  
Wilson Robert, South st

#### BANKERS.

BANK OF SCOTLAND (Branch), Market place—(draws on the Parent Establishment, Edinburgh; the Bank of England, Coutts and Co.

and Smith, Payne and Smiths, London)—Allan & Wm. Purves, agents

BRITISH LINEN CO. (Branch), New town—(draw on the Parent Establishment, Edinburgh; & Smith, Payne and Smiths, London)—Cunningham & Hillston, agents

SAVINGS' BANK, New town—James Hillston, manager

#### BLACKSMITHS.

Anderson George, Allanton  
Blair Robert, New town  
Knox James, Castle st  
Laurie David (& farrier), Back st  
Laurie John (& farrier), Back st  
Lillie John, Gavinton  
Marshall Robert, East st  
Marshall Robert, jun. Market place  
Whitehead Thomas, New town

#### BOOKSELLERS, STATIONERS AND PRINTERS.

Bell William, Market place  
Brown James, South st  
Knox James, Castle st

#### BOOT AND SHOE MAKERS.

Aitchison John, Market place  
Brown John, East st  
Brown William, Castle st  
Cockburn George, East st  
Cockburn Thomas, Back st  
Cooper George, Gavinton  
Foreman William, Castle st  
Gray Robert, Back st  
Howliston William, Shambles wynd  
Ingles Andrew, Allanton  
Kelso James, Market place  
Knox Alexander, East st  
Knox Thomas, East st  
McCulloch William, Gavinton  
McLaren Alexander, East st  
Patterson Robert, Back st  
Symington William, Market place  
Virtue David, Back st  
Virtue George, New town  
Virtue John, Blackbull st [place  
Virtue Saml. (& last maker) Market  
Watt Janet, Allanton  
Whitehead John, East st  
Wight Thomas, Market place  
Wilson Charles, Castle st

#### BRAZIERS AND TINMEN.

Paxton George, East st  
Paxton James, Blackbull st

#### BREWERS.

Ramsay John, Blackbull st  
White George, Clock mill  
Whitelaw Robert Hay, Market place

#### CABINET MAKERS.

Dewar James, back of the Manse  
Guthrie George, Back st  
Henderson Wm. Shambles wynd  
Pringle Robert, Currie's wynd

#### CHINA, GLASS, &c. DEALERS.

Gibson Margaret, Back st  
Hood Jane, South st

#### COOPERS.

Hatellie George, South st  
Lunam Henry, Gavinton  
Stevenson Edward, Castle st

#### FIRE, &c. OFFICE AGENTS.

CALEDONIAN, Allan Purves, Market place [New town]

NORTH BRITISH, James Hillston,

NORWICH UNION, William Hunter,

Well field [Market place]

SCOTTISH UNION, William Purves,

#### FLESHERS.

Bell Joseph, Castle st  
Cossar George, New town  
Dickson Adam, Market place  
Ingles John, Market place [place  
Mickle David (& cattle dealer), Market  
Rutherford John, Market place  
Rutherford William, Golden square

#### GARDENERS.

Eman William, East st  
Flint John, Sunnyside  
Ingles John, East st

#### GROCERS.

(See also Grocers and Spirit Dealers.)  
Allan Jane, South st  
Brown James, South st  
Dickson John & William, Allanton  
Guthrie Joseph, Allanton  
Hislop Stephen, South st  
Kerr Jane, East st  
Laidlaw Margaret, Castle st  
Liddle George, East st  
Rankin William, Gavinton  
Smith James, Gavinton

#### GROCERS & SPIRIT DEALERS.

(See also the preceding List.)  
Brown George, Back st  
Brown Robert, Market place  
Gray Thomas, Market place  
Holywell Thomas, Market place  
Kerr John & Hume, Market place  
McCrrie Mrs. Christian, Market place  
Purves Archibald W. Market place  
Swan George, Market place  
Thomson John, New town  
Waddell Andrew, South st  
Waddell John, Market place

#### HAIR DRESSERS.

Hollwell Robert, Castle st  
Hollwell Walter, Castle st  
McRay John, Market place

#### INNS & POSTING-HOUSES.

Black Bull, George Howman, Black-  
bull street [Market place]  
White Swan, Archibald Jameson,

#### IRONMONGERS.

Allan & Son, Market place  
Graham James & William (& jewel-  
lers), Market place [place  
Waldie Wm. (& jeweller), Market

#### JOINERS & CARTWRIGHTS.

Allan Robert, Gavinton  
Causway James, Gavinton  
Cockburn William, South st  
Crombie John, Bridge end  
Laurie Andrew, Gavinton  
Learmonth William, New town  
Middlemiss Robert, Allanton  
Pringle Robert, Langton gate  
Schooler William, New town  
Scott James, back of the Manse  
Stoddart Thomas, Castle st

#### LINEN & WOOLLEN DRAPERS.

Guthrie David, Market place  
Middlemiss Peter, Market place  
Thomson James, Market place  
Turnbull John, Market place  
Webster Robert, Castle st  
Wilson Joseph, Market place  
Young Robert, Market place

#### MESSENGERS.

Easton Andrew, Blackbull st  
McWatt David, Wellfield cottage

#### MILLERS.

Blackie James, Allanton  
Currie Alexander, Kimergham mill  
Darling John, Cockburn mill



Dods George, Blackadder mill  
Ford John, Nesbit mill  
Ford William, Patton mill

**MILLINERS AND DRESS MAKERS.**

Johnston Margaret, Market place  
Mack Sisters, New town  
Voist Jane, Castle st. [ket place  
Whitelaw Isabella & Henrietta, Mar-

**NAIL MAKERS.**

Dickinson Andrew, Back st  
Farrington William, Market place  
Home Thomas, Market place

**PAINTERS.**

Crawford William, East st  
Forbes Thomas, Shambles wynd  
Young John, New town

**PAPER MANUFACTURERS.**

Martin William (and mill loard),  
Chirnside bridge  
Trotter Young & Son, Broomhouse  
paper mills

**ROPE & TWINE MAKERS.**

Kerr John & Hume (& sack manu-  
facturers), Market place  
Wil-son John, Back st

**SADDLERS.**

Allan & Son, Market place  
Ewart Alexander, South st

**SALT DEALERS.**

Hatson John, Langton gate  
Mann John, Golden square

**SLATERS.**

Knox James, New town  
Ray Robert, Gavinton  
Scott William, New town

**STONE MASONS.**

Anderson Alexander, Allanton  
Dods Robert, Castle street  
Dunbar William, Yardhead

**STRAW HAT MAKERS.**

Mack Marion, New Town  
Stevenson Catherine, Langtongate  
Wilson Janet, New Town

**SURGEONS.**

Anderson William Hay, Allanton  
Campbell Alexander, Langtongate  
Chirnside John, Market place

**TAILORS.**

Darling Andrew, Langtongate  
Darling Robert, Dunse  
Dawson James, Shambles wynd

**WATCH & CLOCK MAKERS.**

Grinlaw Alexander, Market place  
Waldie William, Market place

**WRIGHTS.**

See Joiners & Cartwrights.

**WRITERS.**

Cunningham & Home, New Town  
Fairbairn Robert, East st [field  
Henderson John (& notary) Mary  
Hunter William, Wellfield

**WRIGHTS.**

Johnston John (& notary & procurator  
fiscal for Berwicksh.) Havmont  
M'Watt David, Wellfield cottages  
Peat George, jun. Wellnuge

**WRIGHTS.**

Purves William, Market place [st  
Thomson Thomas (& notary) Castle  
Wat-son James, Currie's wynd

Christison John, South st  
Copland John (& clothier) Back st  
Davidson Alexander, East st  
Ferguson Joseph, Allanton  
Forbes William, Castle st  
Guthrie George, Allanton  
Kelso David, Market place  
Kelso George, South st  
Kerr William, Gavinton  
Newbiggin Robert, Currie's wynd  
Purves John, Back st  
Rankin William, Gavinton  
Turbull William, Market place  
Walkingshaw Andrew, Market place

**TALLOW CHANDLERS.**

Dods George, Market place  
Whitelaw Peter, Back st

**TOBACCO MANUFACTURERS.**

Gray Thomas, Market place  
Kerr John & Hume, Market place

**VINTNERS.**

Batchelor Mrs. New town  
Brown John (Britannia) Market pl  
Brown Jos. (Ewe & Lamb) Castle st

**WATCH & CLOCK MAKERS.**

Burn Margaret, Shambles wynd  
Calder Peter (Cross Keys) Castle st  
Chalmers Mrs. (Plough) Back st  
Cockburn Samuel (Ordnance Arms)  
Back street

**WATCH & CLOCK MAKERS.**

Cossar Isabella, New Town  
De'Santos Manuel (Thistle) East st  
Flint John, Sunnyside  
Gray Margaret, Market place

**WATCH & CLOCK MAKERS.**

Hamilton George, Church yard  
Jack Wm. (Hammerman's Arms),  
East street

**WATCH & CLOCK MAKERS.**

M'Lean Charles, Gavinton [place  
Mickle David (Red Lion) Market  
Nisbet Peter, Allanton

**WATCH & CLOCK MAKERS.**

Parres Margaret, Allanton [place  
Schooler Jno. (King's Arms) Market  
Turner Robert, Shambles wynd

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Waldie William, Market place

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Peat George, jun. Wellnuge

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Purves William, Market place [st  
Thomson Thomas (& notary) Castle  
Wat-son James, Currie's wynd

**Miscellaneous.**

Aitken Wm. saddle-tree maker, New Town  
Anderson William & Alexander, furniture  
brokers, Castle st

Bell James, sheriff's clerk, and clerk to the  
Justices of peace, to the commissioners  
of supply, and to the road trustees for the  
middle district of Berwicksh. New Town

Brodie John, veterinary surgeon, East st  
Cossar Walter, horse dealer, New Town  
Darling Henry, dyer and woollen manu-  
facturer, Preston bridge

Dickson David, damask weaver, Allanton

Dickson James, turner, East st

Donaldson John, plumber, &c. East st

Excise Office, Black Bull Inn, Black-  
bull st—William Voist, supervisor

Ferguson Jas. ironfounder, &c. Clock mill

Gas Works, Coldstream road

Hill Thomas, gun maker, New Town

Jack William, plasterer, East st

Mercer Isaac, carrier, &c. South st

Mercer John, session clerk, Currie's wynd

Patterson William, flax dresser, South st

Sanderson George, cutler, New Town

Sim Alexander, druggist, Market place

Stamp Office, Market place—Archibald  
W. Purves, distributor

Stirling John, stocking manufacturer,  
Langtongate [Roy, collector

Tax Office, Bridge end—Frederick L.  
Thomson & Ross, skimmers, New town

Virtue Saml. artificial dy maker, Market pl

**PLACES OF WORSHIP.**

ESTABLISHED CHURCH, Dunse—

Rev. George Cunningham, minister;

Rev. Wm. Thomson, as-istant

ESTABLISHED CHURCH, Edrom—

Rev. Alexander Cuthbertson

ESTABLISHED CHURCH, Langton—

Rev. John Brown, D. D.

RELIEF CHURCH—Rev. Jno. Ralston

UNITED SECESSION—Rev. John  
Thomson [berstson

UNITED SECESSION—Rev. John Ro-

COACH.

To EDINBURGH, the Royal Eagle, from  
the Black Bull, every morning at eight;  
goes thro' Greenlaw, Whitburn, Low-  
ther, Perth Head, and Dalkeith.

**CARRIERS.**

To BERWICK, Andrew Chalmers, from  
the Plough, and Isabella Weatherhead,  
from Back st, every Tues. Thurs. and  
Sat.—James Purves, from Allanton,  
every Mon. & Thurs.—and John Steel,  
from South st, every Mon. Wed. & Sat.

To COLDSTREAM, George Denham,  
from South street, every Tuesday.

To DUNBAR, Widow Penny, from East  
street, every Friday.

To EDINBURGH, George Denham,  
from South st, and Isabella Weather-  
head, from Back st, every Thurs.—and  
Ronald Murray, from East st, Tuesdays.

To EYEMOUTH, Widow Penny, from  
East street, every Monday.

To KELSO, Widow Penny, from East  
street, every Wednesday.

To SWINTON, Alexander Robertson,  
from Mr. Hunter's, South st, every Wed.

**EARLSTOUN, LEGERWOOD, MERTOUN, NENTHORN,**

**AND STITCHEL WITH HUME.**

**EARLSTOUN** (anciently *Ercildoun*) is a village in the parish of its name; 31 miles S.E. from Edinburgh, 11 W. by N. from Kelso, 18 S.W. from Dunse, 15 N. from Jedburgh, 10 S.W. from Greenlaw, 6½ N. E. from Galashiels, and 6 S. from Lauder. The situation of this village is at once rare and beautiful, being seated in a rich valley encompassed by hills of a moderate height, which are interspersed by thriving plantations, and in a state of high cultivation; the Leader river flows on the west of the parish, and the Eden on the east. Upwards of one hundred looms were formerly employed at this place by the Glasgow manufacturers; the few now in operation are worked by Messrs. Marian, Whale and Co., gingham and muslin manufacturers. A justice of peace court is held here on the first Tuesday of every month. Part of the tower which was the residence of Sir Thomas Learmont (commonly called 'the

Rhymer'), who flourished in the thirteenth century, is still standing; a stone in the wall of the church bears this inscription, in ancient characters—'Auld Rhymer's race lies in this place.' The seat of Dr. Jas. Home, of Cowdenknows, stands on the side of a hill; it is an ancient building, and the locality is famous in Scottish song. When the Highland army, under Prince Charles, passed through this part of the country on their way to Kelso, a claymore was left at Fans, which is now in the possession of Mr. Riddell, surgeon, of this place. There are two annual fairs, the 29th of June and third Thursday in October, for cattle.

**LEGERWOOD** parish extends three miles in length by two and a half broad. Its elevated surface is well cultivated, being occupied by opulent and practically skilful farmers; and is adapted, in general, both for crops and pasture. The village of Legerwood is three



**PUBLIC BUILDINGS, &c.—continued.**  
Gas Work, Lauder—John Turnbull, manager; Thomas Broomfield, secretary.  
Inspectors of the Poor: Chancellirk—Henry M. Liddell, Oxton; Lauder—Thomas Broomfield, Lauder.  
Justice of Peace Court, Lauder.  
Lauderdale Agricultural Society, Lauder—Thomas Broomfield, secretary.  
Police Station, Lauder—Alexander Menzie, sergeant in charge.  
Police Station, Oxton.  
Public Reading Room and Library, Lauder—John Hogarth, secretary; W. D. Alkman, treasurer.  
Registrars of Births, Deaths & Marriages: Chancellirk—Henry M. Liddell, Oxton; Lauder—William Moore, Lauder.

Rifle Volunteers (1st Berwickshire, E. Company), Lauder—Robert Roush, captain; William Moore and George L. Broomfield, lieutenants; Richard Kearney, sergeant-major instructor.  
School Boards: Chancellirk—Henry M. Liddell, clerk & treasurer, Oxton; Lauder—Robert Roush, chairman; Thomas Broomfield, clerk, Lauder.  
Sheriff Court—John Cheyne, Edinburgh, sheriff principal; George Dickson, Dundee, sheriff substitute; William M'Ar, sheriff officer.  
Stamp Office, Lauder—Thomas Broomfield, sub-distributor [keeper].  
Town Hall, Lauder—James Weatherstone, [keeper].

**CONVEYANCE BY RAILWAY.**  
The nearest Stations to Lauder are at Stow, 6 miles distant, on the North British line, and at EARLESTON, 7 miles distant.  
A Conveyance from the Black Ball Hotel, leaves Lauder for Stow Strathos at 6.15 a.m., 7.15 a.m. and 5.5 p.m. Leaving Stow at 7.50 a.m., 10.40 a.m. and 4.40 p.m.  
**CARRIERS.**  
To DALKEITH, A. Mossman, from the Eagle Inn, Lauder, Thursday.  
To GALASHIELLS, William Kerr, from his house, Lauder, Saturday.  
To STOW RAILWAY STATION, John Beattie, from his house, Lauder, daily.

## POLWARTH AND FOGO.

**POLWARTH** is a parish of about 3,000 acres, in the district of Merse. The village, now almost decayed, is forty miles from Edinburgh, four from Duns, and about three and a half from Greenlaw, situated on the road between the two last-named towns. It was formerly of much greater extent, and, from its connection with Scottish song, continues to the present day the most interesting locality in the district. On the green of Polwarth, in the centre of the village, it was an ancient custom for every now married pair, with their company, to dance round an old thorn, the legend connected with which, according to Chambers, might furnish materials for a good romance. The estate of Polwarth formerly belonged to Sinclair of Hermandston, whose family, so far back as the fifteenth century, terminated in co-heiresses. It appears that the Misses Sinclair, of all their suitors—and they had many—preferred the sons of their powerful neighbour, Hume of Wedderburn, and it so happened that the youngest sister was beloved by the eldest Hume (George), whilst the eldest placed her affections on the youngest, whose name was Patrick. After the death of the father of the young ladies they fell into the hands of an uncle, who, anxious to prevent their marriages, that he himself might become their heir, immured them in his castle, somewhere in Lothian. In this dilemma the fair prisoners contrived to get a letter transmitted to their lovers by means of an old female beggar, and they were soon gratified with the sight of the two youths accompanied by a determined band of Merse men before the gate of their prison. The uncle made both remonstrance and resistance, but in vain; his nieces were forcibly taken from him and carried off in triumph. Part of the nuptial rejoicing—for the marriage ceremony immediately ensued—consisted in a merry dance round the thorn, which

even at that early period, grew in the centre of the village. The lands of Polwarth were then divided between the two Humes, and while George carried on the line in the Wedderburn family, Patrick was the founder of the branch afterwards ennobled by the title of Marchmont. In commemoration of this remarkable affair, for many years all future marriage parties danced round the thorn, and a tune seems to have been composed of the name "Polwarth on the Green," to which songs have been successfully adapted. On the front of the parish church, an ancient building, which stands about a mile south-east of the village, is a Latin inscription, importing that it was erected anterior to the year 950. In the vault of this church Sir Patrick Hume, of Polwarth, afterwards the first Earl of Marchmont, and Lord Chancellor of Scotland, found an asylum from the fury of his persecutors, when a price was set upon his head, till arrangements were made for his escape to Holland, which was happily effected. The noble mansion of the late Earl of Marchmont, together with the estate, is now the property of Sir H. H. Campbell, Bart., and his lady has established an infants' school. The parish of Polwarth in 1881 had a population of 227.

The parish of Fogo, which lies to the south of that of Polwarth, is intersected and watered by the Blackadder, upon the right bank of which stream, said to be so fatal to the salmon species, stands the little village of Fogo; and about a mile further up the river is the ancient diminutive hamlet of CHESTERS, reposing on the site of a Roman encampment. The parish is six miles in length, by between three and four in breadth, and contains about 4,622 acres; the land is chiefly arable and fertile. A neat church and Board school are in the village. Population in 1881, 495.

### GENTRY AND CLERGY.

Campbell Sir Hugh Hume, Bart. of Marchmont.  
Froudford Rev. Robert F. Fogo Manse.  
Trotter Richard, Esq. of Charter Hall.  
Wall Rev. Charles James, Polwarth Manse.

### SCHOOLS.

**BOARD SCHOOLS:—**  
Polwarth—Robert Johnstone, master, inspector of poor, and registrar of births, deaths, and marriages.  
Fogo—John Macfarlane, master, & registrar of births, deaths, and marriages, & inspector of poor.  
**INFANTS' SCHOOL (Lady Campbell's), Polwarth**—Isabella Hunter, mistress.

### FARMERS.

Dodds John, Cothill and Mountrobert, Polwarth.  
Elder David, Broomspark.

Geggie Thomas, Polwarth Mill.  
Haig Peter, Woodheads, Polwarth.  
Hood Thomas, Fogo end, Fogo.  
Lynn William, Fogo Rig.  
Paxton John & Peter, South Crofts, Polwarth.  
Robertson William, East end, & Caldera, Fogo.  
Robertson John, Clerkentill, Fogo.  
Runciman Robt. Polwarth Rhodes, Polwarth.  
Thomson Robert, Whinkestanes, Fogo.  
Torrance George, Sisterpath, Fogo.  
White Mrs.—, Ryselaw, Fogo.

### SHOPKEEPERS AND TRADERS.

Comb Robert, blacksmith, Fogo Muir.  
Elder David, carter, Polwarth.  
Geggie Thomas, miller & grain factor, Polwarth Mill.  
Grant Mary, grocer, Polwarth.  
Hamilton Alex. miller, Sisterpath Mill, Fogo.  
Hamilton John, cartwright, Fogo.  
Hunter Robert, tailor, Fogo.  
Loney Peter, land steward, Marchmont.

Millar Allan, cattle dealer, Polwarth.  
M'Dougall Andrew, smith, Polwarth.  
Nisbet Andrew, joiner and cartwright, Polwarth.  
Nisbet Robert, joiner, Marchmont. [Fogo].  
Sanderson A. & Sons, millers, Caldera Mill, Watson William, blacksmith, Polwarth.

### PLACES OF WORSHIP

**AND THEIR MINISTERS.**  
ESTABLISHED CHURCH, Polwarth—Rev. Charles James Watt.  
ESTABLISHED CHURCH, Fogo—Rev. Robert F. Froudford.

### CONVEYANCE BY RAILWAY.

Station at MARCHMONT, on the Duns branch, North British Railway, about one mile and a half from each village—Thomas Wilson, station master.

## RESTON,

AUCHENCROW, GRANT'S HOUSE, RENTON, AND NEIGHBOURHOODS.

**RESTON** and **AUCHENCROW** are two villages pleasantly situated on the banks of the Ewe, in the parish of Coldingham, the former being three miles from Coldingham, the same distance from Ayton, and about nine from Duns; the latter lying between Reston and Chirnside, about two and a half miles from each place. A station on the North British Railway is in the village of Reston. The places of worship are a Free church at Reston, and an Established church and one for members of the Free church at Auchencrow, a mile distant from Reston. There are good Board schools in each village. Live stock sales are held every alternate Monday. The population of Reston in 1881 was 221.

**GRANT'S HOUSE** is a village or hamlet in the same parish as the above, situated on the road to Edinburgh, seven miles from Coldingham, eight from Ayton, and five from Cockburnspath. The place derives its name from a person named Grant, the contractor for making the high road to Edinburgh, who erected a cottage for himself, now called Grant's House Inn. From the circumstance of the North British Railway passing the village, it bids fair to be a compact little place. **RENTON** is a small hamlet, a mile distant.

**POST OFFICE, RESTON, James Greenfield, Post Master.**—Letters arrive from all parts at twenty minutes past nine morning, and from the North at four afternoon, and are despatched to Edinburgh and the West of Scotland at five minutes past eight morning, and to all parts at thirty-five minutes past three afternoon. **☎** The nearest Money Order Office is at AYTON.

**POST OFFICE, AUCHENCROW, Margaret Fortune, Post Mistress.**—Letters from all parts arrive (by messenger, from Reston) at fifty minutes past ten morning, and are despatched at half-past two afternoon. **☎** The nearest Money Order Office is at CHIRNSIDE.

**POST OFFICE, GRANT'S HOUSE, George Renton, Post Master.**—Letters arrive from Edinburgh at nine morning, and from the South at ten minutes before four afternoon; and are despatched at twenty minutes before nine morning and twenty minutes past three afternoon. On Sundays letters arrive at 10 a.m. and are despatched at 5.30 p.m. **☎** Money Order Office and Savings Bank.