

PARISH OF CERES.

Ceres is an inland Parish, containing, in addition to the village of its own name, those of Craigrothie, Chance Inn, Baldinnie, and Pitscottie. Bridgend is often treated as a separate village, but as it is purely a continuation of that of Ceres, and only separated from it by Ceres Burn, the two strictly form only one village. It is bounded on the north by Cupar, on the east by Kemback, St Andrews, and Cameron, on the south by Largo and Scoonie, and on the west by Kettle and Cults. Its length north-eastward is from seven to eight miles, and its breadth from a half to four miles. The river Eden skirts it for a mile and a half, dividing it from Cupar, on the north-west. Several streamlets run into the interior, from the west, the south, and the east, and uniting a little above the village of Ceres, form Ceres Burn, which runs through the village, winds eastward to Pitscottie, there enters the beautiful den of Dura, and falls into the Eden a little above Dairsie Castle.

The surface of the Parish is pleasingly diversified by hill and dale. The cultivated portion of the land, which amounts to fully one half, is highly fertile, and in many places carries luxuriant crops. The remainder is chiefly in pasture, with a small portion in wood. There is plenty of limestone in the Parish, which is extensively worked, and coal, which is found in many places, is wrought at Ladeddie.

The chief mansion-houses are Teasses and Edenwood. The latter was long the residence of the late Sir George Campbell, brother to the present Lord Chancellor of England. The ruins of Craighall, built by the celebrated Scotch Lawyer, Sir Thomas Hope, stand on the ridge of a craig overlooking a ravine, about a mile to the south-east of the village of Ceres. On the south-west are the ruins of Struthers House, once the favourite residence of the family of the Lindsays, when royalty kept court at Falkland Palace, but now belonging to the Earl of Glasgow. To the north-west of Craigrothie, on a height commanding at a glance the valleys of the Eden and Ceres, stands Scots Tarvit House or Tower, 24 feet square and 50 feet high, with very thick walls and small windows. This tower was once the family residence of the Scots of Scots Tarvit, and in it, upwards of two centuries ago, Sir John Scott wrote that remarkable little book, "The Staggering State of Scots Statesmen." Lindsay of Pitscottie, who, three centuries ago, wrote a History of Scotland, was also a native of this Parish. The site of the "old narrow house" covered with thatch, in which the old chronicler lived, is now occupied by the modern farm house of Pitscottie.

The village of Ceres, which is the principal one in the Parish, stands two and a half miles south from Cupar, on the road leading from Cupar to Largo. That road, and the road from St Andrews to Kennoway, traverse it in the form of a cross, the chief parts of the village forming streets alongside of these roads, with a few lanes running off at right angles. The linen manufacture by hand-loom weaving has long been actively carried on here, and in the neighbouring village of Craigrothie, but it is at present in rather a declining state. Formerly there were two bleachfields for the bleaching of linen yarns, one of which was given up some years ago, but the other which is at St Ann's, a small distance south from Ceres, is still in active operation ; and there are spinning mills at Tarvit Mill and Pitscottie. Fairs for cattle are held on the last Tuesday of March,

the 24th of June, and the 20th of October ; but the March market is now reckoned of little importance.

In the rural districts, many of the inhabitants are employed in agricultural labours, and in the lime quarries and coal-pits. In the villages, hand-loom weaving, the spinning mills, and the bleachfield, form the chief occupations ; the remainder are employed as village shopkeepers or tradesmen.

The Parish Church, which has 1100 sittings, occupies a conspicuous site in the centre of the village ; its spire is about 100 feet high, being seen at a considerable distance. In the Churchyard, visitors are shown the burial vault, an humble looking tenement, of the noble family of Crawford

Lindsay, in which are two coronetted coffins, with faded crimson and soiled mountings, containing the mortal remains of John Lindsay, 20th Earl of Crawford, and his Countess, a daughter of the Doles of Athol, both of whom died, the one a short time after the other, about 112 years ago. There is also a Free Church and two United Presbyterian Churches in Ceres, styled the East and the West. The latter was the earliest seceding congregation in the centre of Fife, a number of its members regularly attending Church, though living at a distance of from ten to fifteen miles. The Parish is well supplied with good Schools. The Parish School is an elegant and suitable structure, and, besides several Female Schools in Ceres, Subscription Schools have long been established in the villages of Craigrothie and Baldinnie. The nearest railway stations are Cupar and Springfield, both of which are about two miles from the village of Ceres, though the latter is near to the north-west boundary of the Parish. In addition to the roads already mentioned, the roads from Cupar to Elie, and from Cupar to Kirkcaldy, by Kennoway, pass through the Parish.

The POST TOWN is Cupar, with a Sub-Office at Ceres, Mr Charles Smith, Sub-Post Master.- A walking postman leaves Cupar for Ceres, about 9.15 A.M., and delivers letters in the villages of Ceres and Craigrothie. Letters are despatched from Ceres at 1.15 P.M., in time for the afternoon mails from Cupar. Letters for Pitscottie and Baldinnie are delivered by the letter carrier from Cupar to Peat Inn. See Cameron.

BAKERS.

Bell, Robert, Ceres

Grubb, David, do

Robertson, Joseph, do

BLACKSMITHS.

Allan, Gilbert, Ceres

Campbell, Andrew, do

Cunningham, William, Craigrothie

Dow, William, Ceres

Durie, David, Teasses Mill

Hamilton, Barney, Teuchats

Johnston, John, Pitscottie

BOOT & SHOEMAKERS.

Allan, David, Ceres

Balfour, William, Craigrothie

Bennet, Andrew, Ceres

Clark, William, do

Crombie, David, Craigrothie

Forrester, James, Pitscottie

Stewart, Robert, B., Ceres

Turpie, A., & R., do

CARRIERS.

Abbey, Robert, to Dundee, on Wednesday

McKenzie, John, to Cupar, daily

Stewart, Daniel, to Cupar, Tuesday, - Thursday, and Saturday

CARTERS.

Abbey, Robert, Ceres

Arthur, Andrew, do

Carsewell, Robert, Craigrothie

Christie, Thomas, Chance Inn

Christie, William, Bridgend, Ceres

Hain, Robert, Chance Inn

Myles, James, Bridgend, Ceres

Scott, A., (& Landlabourer) do

Spittal, James, do

Webster, James, do

Yool, Robert, do

CHINA MERCHANTS.

Louden, Alexander, Ceres

Robertson, Alexander, do

CLERGY.

Adamson, John, Assistant Minister, Parish Church, Ceres

Anderson, David, East U. P. Church, Ceres ,

Anderson, Robert, West do do

Brown, J. C. C., Parish Church, do

Geddie, James W., Free Church, do

DRESSMAKERS.

Those marked thus * are also Milliners.

Bell, Mrs William, Ceres

Black, Mrs James, Bridgend, do

*Brown, Miss Euphemia, do

Donaldson, Miss Ann, Union, Kame

Grant, Miss Euphemia, Ceres

Howie, Miss Elizabeth do

Laing, Miss Mary Ann, do

Martin, Ann, do

Murie, Miss Agnes, Craigrothie

* Myles, Misses, Ceres

*Taylor, Miss Margaret, do

* Turpie, Mrs, &Misses, (& Straw Bonnets) Ceres

*Wilkie, Mrs, Craigrothie

FARMERS.

Allan, John, Bankhead

Bell, John, & William, Barbarafield

Bell, Robert, Craighall and Ceres

Birrell, Andrew, Burnside

Blair, T., & J., Bankhead

Brown, David, North Scots Tarvit

Bruce, James, Nether Magus

Christie, Peter, Hall Teasses

Crichton, J. H., Esq., Kirkland, Ceres

Dagleish, J. O., Esq., Woodburn Home Farm

Dingwall, James, Tarvit Mill

Dingwall, Peter, Findas

Donaldson, William, Little Muirhead

Dryburgh, John, Kinninmonth

Dudgeon, Mrs, Muirhead

Durie, John, Hill Teasses

Hain, John, Denhead

Harley, David, Free Lands, Ceres

Henderson, T., Craighall Mains

Kermack, John, Dergus, Ceres

Law, William, Ceres Mill

Lees, David, Easter Pitscottie

Matthew, A., Struthers Barns

Melville, James, North Callange

Melville, Mrs, Fleecefaulds

Morton, Thomas, Ladeddie

Muirhead, Robert, Ladeddie Quarries

Nimmo, Adam, South Callange

Provan, Alexander, Wester Pitscottie

Robertson, J., & D., Gathercauld

Robertson, Thomas, Ring

Scott, James, Baltilly

Stewart, Thomas, Ceres

Tosh, David, Craigrothie

Turpie, William, Chance Inn

Walker, Alexander, Over-Baldinnie

Walker, Andrew, Cassindilly

Walker, James, Struthers

Walker, John, Newbigging of Ceres

Walker, Walter, Bandirran

Wallace, George, Upper Magus

Yoole, James, & William, Bridgend, Ceres

Young, James, & John, Edenwood

FLAX SPINNERS,

Annan, James, Pitscottie

Smith, Thomas, Tarvit Mill

GENTRY & PEOPLE OF INDEPENDENT MEANS.

Adamson, Alex., Esq., Bridgend, Ceres

Adamson, Miss Margaret, do do

Christie, R. S., Esq., Teasses

Conningham, Lord F., Edenwood House

Crichton, J. H., Esq., Kirkland, Ceres

Dalglish, J. O., Esq., Woodburne, Ceres

Dryburgh, Mrs, Viewfield Cottage, do

Gourlay, Thomas, Esq., Craigrothie

Kermack, John, Esq., Ceres

Lawson, James, Esq., do

Nicol, David, Esq., Percy-Baldinnie

Normand, David, Esq. , Baltilly House, Ceres

Normand, William, Esq., do

Ross, William, Esq., Greenside

Thomas, John, Esq., Bridgend, Ceres

GROCERS.

Those marked thus* are also Spirit Dealers.

* Adamson, James, Bridgend, Ceres

Adamson, May, do do

Brand, Alexander, do

Dewar, Mrs, Bridgend, do

Dryburgh, David, Craigrothie

Henry, David, Ceres

Ireland, Mrs, Pitscottie

Lawson, Thomas, Ceres

Lonie, Andrew, Chance Inn

Louden, Alexander, Ceres

Pride, James, Baldinnie

* Smith, Charles, Ceres

Thislie, Miss, Craigrothie

Yoole, Robert, Ceres

INSURANCE AGENTS.

Blair, Thos., Farmer, Bankhead, Northern, (fire, life, and annuity)

Yool, W., Bleacher, Ceres, City of Glasgow, (life)

Younger, Wm., Inspector of Poor, Ceres, Royal

JOINERS & WRIGHTS.

Those marked thus * are also Cabinet Makers.

Bairner, Alexander, & Son, Chance Inn

Johnstone, Robert, Pitscottie

Nicholson, William, Teasses Mill

Pryde, James, Teuchats

Sime, William, Craigrothie

* Wilkie, John, Ceres

Wilson, William, Symonden

Younger, William, Ceres

LAND SURVEYORS.

Henderson, Thomas, Craighall Mains

McKenzie, William, Chance Inn

LIME BURNERS & MERCHANTS.

Graham, James, Woodtop and Teuchats

Muirhead, Robert, Ladeddie Quarries

MASONS.

Bell, William, Ceres

Brown, James, Third Part

Clark, D., & C., Craigrothie

Howie, Oliver, Ceres

MILLERS.

Law, William, (Corn & Flour) Ceres Mill

Tosh, David, (Corn) Craigrothie

Walker, John, (Corn) Newbigging

PIG DEALERS.

Adamson, Thomas, Craigrothie

Lawson, Thomas, Ceres

McFarlane, Thomas, do

McKenzie, John, Ceres

Yoole & Terras, do

SOCIETIES & CLUBS.

Ceres Curling Club, W. W. Yool, Sec.

Ceres Funeral & Deposit Society, John Honeyman, Sec.

Ceres Horticultural Society, Alexander Pratt, Sec.

Ceres Mortcloth Society, Robert Wallace, Officer

TAILORS.

Blyth, Thomas, Craigrothie

Brown, D., & J., Teasses Mill

Dalrymple, James, Ceres

Louden, A., (&Clothier) do

Louden, Robert, do

McRae, Alexander, do

Thomson, James, do

TEACHERS & SCHOOLS.

Bairner, Mrs A., Female School, Craigrothie

Campbell, Miss, Female School, Bridgend, Ceres

Kinnear, John, Bell's School, Baldinnie

Laing, Miss Elizabeth, Female School, Ceres

Paton, P., Subscription School, Craigrothie

Trotter, John, Parish School, Ceres

VINTNERS.

Balfour, Mrs, (Inn license) Ceres

Dryburgh, David, Craigrothie

Gourlay, Thomas, Ceres

Meldrum, John, (Inn license) do

Wannan, James, Pitscottie

WEAVERS' AGENTS.

Adamson, James, Craigrothie

Beveridge, John, Ceres

Mitchell, Peter, do

Wilson, Robert, do

MISCELLANEOUS.

Aitken, James, Surgeon, Ceres

Bell, William, Agent for Patent Manures, and Potato Merchant, Ceres

Birrell, Mrs Adam, Draper, Ceres

Black, John, Slater, do

Brown, D., Barony Officer for Craighall

Brown & Forgan, Coalmasters, Ladddie

Fernie, Alexander, Cooper, Ceres

Law, William, Saw-Miller, Ceres Mill

McKenzie, John, Jun., Ropemaker, do

Mitchell, Peter, Millwright, Chalmers' Mill, Ceres

Oswald, Thomas, Saddler, Ceres

Pryde, John, Molecatcher, Craigrothie

Stewart, Thomas, Manager of Gas Works, Brewer, Maltster, & Seedsman, Ceres

Strachan, W., & J., Road Contractors, Chance Inn

Terras, T. , Cattle Dealer, Ceres

Thomson, Mrs, Midwife & Sick Nurse, Ceres

Yoole, J., & W., Linen Manufacturers, Bridgend, Ceres

Yoole, William W., Yarn Bleacher, St Ann's, Ceres

Younger, William, Inspector of Poor, Collector of Poors' Rates, Registrar, & Heritors' Clerk,
Ceres

ADD

Dalrymple, William, Tailor, Craigrothie

DELETE

Campbell, Andrew, Blacksmith, Ceres

McKenzie, John, Jun., Rope-Spinner, do

Walker, Alex., Farmer, Over-Baldinnie

Walker, Andrew, Farmer, Cassindilly