

PARISH OF CLEISH.

THIS PARISH, containing the hamlet of its own name, and the villages of Maryburgh and Kelty proper, is in the south part of the County. It is bounded on the south by the parishes of Dunfermline and Beath, on the west by Dunfermline and the Perthshire division of Fossoway, on the north by Fossoway and Kinross, and on the east by Portmoak and Ballingry. It is of an oblong form, running nearly due east and west, and is six and a half miles in length, by one and a half in average breadth.

The Cleish Hills divide it from Dunfermline. Dumglow, the highest peak, is 1200 feet above the level of the sea; and three other summits, called the Ingans, are above 1000 feet in height. The higher lands are in pasture, and the lower, though of only middle-class soil, and from 400 to 500 feet above sea-level, are partly in tillage, and partly in permanent pasture, which is well known for its excellent qualities, both for rearing and fattening stock. There are several Lochs on the southern hills, the largest of which- Loch Glow- is one and a half mile in circumference. They are stocked with pike, perch, eels, and a few trout. The Gairney flows along the northern boundary, and divides the Parish from Fossoway and Kinross. Excellent freestone exists in great plenty, and lime-stone is quarried at Scarhill. Whinstone, suitable for roads and dykes, is abundant. On the top of Dumglow and other eminences are traces of ancient forts, or camps, which are supposed to be of Roman origin. At the east end of the Parish, a stone, inserted in a bridge, bears an inscription intimating that the road beneath it is that by which Queen Mary fled from Loch Leven Castle. Formerly, on what is now the farm-steading of Gairney Bridge, stood the house in which the poet, Michael Bruce, taught a School; and, within a few yards of the same spot, stood the public-house in which the Fathers of the Secession Church held their first Presbytery. The Parish is traversed by the great north road, by the road from Kinross to Dunfermline, and by other cross roads. The Kinross-shire Railway passes through the eastern border.

The Parish Church, which is at Cleish, was built in 1832. It is a neat building, in a beautiful situation, embosomed in wood at the base of the southern hills, and looking down over sylvan slopes upon the vale of Kinross. The Parish School is also at Cleish, in addition to which there is a School at Maryburgh, endowed by the proprietor of the Blair Adam estate.

For Postal Arrangements see Kinross.

BLACKSMITHS.

Hepburn, Michael, Blairadam

Lawrie, James, Boreland

Wallace, David, Gairney Bridge, by Kinross

BOOT & SHOEMAKERS.

Paton, Andrew, Cleish

Tweedie, John, Kelty Bridge

CARRIERS.

Dunn, Geo., (Foot) from Kinross by Cleish to Crook-of-Devon, Carnbo, &c., daily

Lawrie, Margaret, (Foot) from Cleish to Kinross, daily

CLERGY.

Cullen, James, Free Church, Manse, Maryburgh

Ross, Chas., LL.D., B.D., Parish Church, Cleish

FARMERS.

Adam, William P., Esq., M.P., Home Farm, Blairadam

Flockhart, William, Flockhouse

Hepburn, James, Maryburgh

Hutcheson, Michael, Cleish Mills

Laing, David, Dowhill Mill

Reid, William, Esq., Hardieston

Simpson, John, Wester Cleish

Steedman, James, Esq., Fruix

Tod, George, Lochran

Tod, John, Paphle

Walls, James, Blairfordel

Walls, Robert, Sunnyside

Young, Harry, Esq., Home Farm, Cleish Castle

GENTRY & PEOPLE OF INDEPENDENT MEANS.

Adam, W. P. , Esq., M.P. ,Blair Adam House

Field, Rev. E. B., Moreland, by Cleish

Reid, William, Esq., Hardieston

Steedman, James, Esq., Fruix

Young, Harry, Esq., Cleish Castle

GROCERS.

Lawson, Walter, Kelty Bridge

Tod, John, Cleish

MILLERS, CORN & BARLEY.

Hutcheson, Michael, (& Flour) Cleish Mills

Laing, David, Dowhill Mill

TEACHERS & SCHOOLS.

Brand, Joules, Endowed School, Maryburgh

Craig, Peter, Parish School, Cleish

Syme, Miss Ann, Female Industrial School, Cleish

MISCELLANEOUS.

Beveridge, David, Station Agent, Blair Adam, by Kinross

Coopar, Susan, Nursery and Gardens, Paranwell

Craig, Peter, Inspector of Poor & Registrar, Cleish

Donaldson, William, Slater, Kelty

Douie, Andrew, Factor for W. P. Adam, Esq., Dullomuir

Fortune, John, Gardener, Blairadam Gardens

Hill, Andrew, Tailor, Kelty

McWhannel, Daniel, Joiner, Maryhugh

Scotland, James, Sexton, Cleish

Syme, Miss Ann, Dressmaker & Milliner, Cleish

Tod, John, Vintner, Cleish