

PARISH OF KINGLASSIE.

This PARISH is in the Kirkcaldy district of the County. It is bounded by the parishes of Auchterderran and Dysart on the south, by Markinch on the east, by Leslie on the north, and by Auchterderran, Ballingry, and Portmoak, in Kinrosshire, on the west. Its form is irregular, and varies considerably in different places, both as regards its length and breadth. On the north side it is five and a half miles from east to west, but on the south boundary it is less than two miles. At the west border the breadth is upwards of three miles from north to south, but towards the east it is not above two miles. The general surface presents alternately three ridges of varied heights and corresponding valleys, through which flow the Ore and the Lochty; while the Leven flows along the northern boundary. Adjacent to the streams the land is fiat, and rises by various gradients to the top of the ridges, which are highest on the west, and are of a soft, though varied character. The external surface amounts to 7716 acres, all of which are in cultivation with the exception of about one-tenth, which is in wood and natural pasture. The soil is partly a deep clay, partly a light loam, and partly an intermixture of clay or loam, with sand and moss. The rocks are partly trap, and partly of the coal formation; and coals are worked on the southern boundary.

The Parish is traversed by the roads from Kirkcaldy to Cupar, and by that from Dunfermline to Cupar. It has also ready access to railway accomodation, both on the north, the east, and the southern boundaries.

The only mansion-house is that of Inchdairnie, the property of Roger S. Aytoun, Esq. It is situated amidst pleasure grounds, to the east of the village of Kinglassie.

The Parish is chiefly a rural one, and its main dependence is on agriculture. There are woollen mills at Walkerton and Glenwood, on the northern boundary, where tweeds and blankets are manufactured, but these establishments scarcely affect the parish, as they are on the extreme border, and almost all the work people connected with them reside in Leslie. The small village of Kinglassie, containing about 420 inhabitants, is the only one in the Parish. It is situated on the Lochty, about two and a half miles south-west of Leslie, and six north north-west of Kirkcaldy.

The inhabitants are chiefly agricultural labourers or village artizans. It contains the Parish Church and School-House, a Free Church, and a brewery. It has a Parochial and School library, an agricultural society, which meets annually and awards premiums for horses, cattle, &c., and a horticultural society, the members of which hold competitions in July and September, and award premiums for the best garden produce.

The POST OFFICES for the Parish are Kirkcaldy and Markinch, with the Sub-Offices at Leslie, Thornton, and Kinglassie, Miss Readdie, Sub-Post Mistress, Kinglassie. Letters from Kirkcaldy reach Kinglassie about 1 P.M., and are despatched about 11 A.M.

BLACKSMITHS.

Bisset, William, Kinglassie

Brown, Thomas, do

Mill, David, Upper Stenton, by Thornton

Reid, R., Clunie Bridge, by Kirkcaldy

BOOT & SHOEMAKERS.

Aitken, George, Kinglassie

Blackwood, Andrew, do

Smart, William, do

Williamson, Robert, do

BUILDERS.

Fernie, William, Kinglassie

Wemyss, William, do

Williamson, A., & W., Kinglassie

CARRIERS,

Dall, James, from Kinglassie to Kirkcaldy, on Tuesday and Friday

Law, Helen, from Kinglassie to Kirkcaldy, on Tuesday and Friday (& Dealer in Dairy Produce)

Pearson, David, from Kinglassie to Kirkcaldy, on Tuesday and Friday (& Dealer in Dairy Produce)

CARTERS & LAND LABOURERS.

Bennet, Wm., Heatherinn, by Kinglassie

Goodall, Alexander, & William, Kinglassie

Goodall, R., Clunie Bridge, by Kirkcaldy

CLERGY,

Johnston, And., Parish Church, Kinglassie

Spiers, John, Free Church, do

DRAPERS.

Greig, Alexander, Kinglassie

Maule, William, do

DRESSMAKERS & MILLINERS.

Gowans, Mrs Thomas, Kinglassie

Penman, Mrs William, do

Readdie, Misses, do

Smith, Misses, do

FARMERS.

Anderson, Mrs Samuel, Kinglassie

Aytoun, Roger S., Esq., Home Farm, Inchdairnie, by Kinglassie

Beath, Alex., West Auchmoor, by Leslie

Brown, Robert, Macedonia, by do

Collier, David, Parkneuk, by Kinglassie

Condie, David, Warout, by Markinch

Dick, John, Milldeans, by Leslie

Galloway, John, Stenton, by Thornton

Gibb, George, Pitteuchar, by Thornton

Gibb, William, Southparks, by Leslie

Hepburn, John, Dogton, by Kinglassie

Ireland, David, West Finglassie, by Leslie

Kilgour, James, Pitlochry, by Kinglassie

Kilgour, Robert, Bowhouse of Pitlochry, by Kinglassie

Landale, Thomas, Bankhead of Inchdairnie, by Kinglassie

Meikle, David, Clunie Mains, by Kinglassie

Mill, David, Bankhead of Pitteuchar, by Thornton

Mitchell, James, Redwells, by Kinglassie

Mitchell, Alex., Finmount, by do

Mitchell, Robert, Caskieberran, by Leslie

Murray, John, East Finglassie, by do

Paterson, D., Kininmonth, by Kinglassie

Scott, David, Muirtown, by do

Shaw, John, Nether Stenton, by Thornton

Syme, James, Whinnyhall, by Kinglassie

GENTRY & PEOPLE OF INDEPENDENT MEANS.

Anderson, Mrs Samuel, Kinglassie

Aytoun, Roger S., Esq., Inchdairnie, by Kinglassie

Aytoun, Mrs, of Grange, Inchdarnie, by Kinglassie

Aytoun, Miss, Grange, Inchdairnie, by Kinglassie

Dobie, David, Esq., Glenwood Cottage, by Leslie

GROCERS.

Greig, Alexander, (& Hardware Merchant) Kinglassie

Maule, Helen, Kinglassie

Smith, Elizabeth, do

JOINERS & WRIGHTS.

Smith, Gordon, Kinglassie

Wilkie, Andrew, do

LIBRARY.

Kinglassie Parochial and School Library, open every Monday evening, John Browne, Librarian

SOCIETIES & CLUBS.

Inchdairnie Curling Club, Mrs Aytoun, Inchdairnie, Patroness, R. S. Aytoun, Esq., Inchdairnie, Patron, J. Mitchell, Esq., President, John Browne, Sec. & Treas.

Kinglassie Agricultural Society, Meets annually in August, and awards Premiums for Horses and Cattle, John Balfour, Esq., President, David Meikle, Clunie Mains, Sec.

Kinglassie Horticultural Society, Meets in July and September, David Waite, President, John Browne, Sec.

TAILORS.

Fair, Alexander, Kinglassie

Lawson, Samuel, do

Watson, William, do

TEACHERS & SCHOOLS.

Browne, John, Parish School, Kinglassie

Fairlie, John, Colliery School, Greenhead

Greive, Miss E., Female Department, Parish School, Kinglassie

VINTNERS.

Greig, Alexander, Kinglassie

Maule, William, do

Scott, James, do

WOOLLEN MANUFACTURERS.

Dobie, David, & Son, (Blankets) Rothes Wool Mills, Leslie

Smith, Robert S., (Tweeds) Walkerton, by Leslie

MISCELLANEOUS.

Browne, John, Inspector of Poor, Collector of Poors' Rates, & Registrar, Kinglassie

Fernie, Peter, Baker, do

Greig, Alexander, Maltster, do

Lister, Wm., Refreshment Rooms, do

Lyall, Lawrence, Brewer & Maltster, do

Murray, John, Chemical Manure Agent, East Finglassie, by Kinglassie

Straitton, George, Saw-Miller & Wood Merchant, Clunie Bridge, by Kirkcaldy