

West Lothian.

FORT, CRAIGIE HILL (INVENTORY NO. 227). The three lines of defence on the W. side are similar in construction, consisting of stone walls 5 ft. to 7 ft. in thickness. On the S. side of the natural gully on the northern end of the site there is an additional outer wall, not shown on the plan, which is well preserved at one point. In this last case the wall-stones are built directly on to the natural rock.

The "Citadel" at the northern end of the site is bounded by a stone wall about 9 ft. in thickness. It is impossible to say, from superficial examination, whether or not this "Citadel" is coeval with the defences already described, but it seems probable that it is in fact of later date. The huts indicated on the plan all have stone walls, and again there is no evidence to show their chronological relationship to the defences. But it seems reasonable to assume that they are later in date than the triple walls, and that the sequence of structures here corresponds to that at Dundearn Hill, Burntisland.

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FORT, COCKLERROY (INVENTORY NO. 358) Both the main rampart and the horn-work are faced on both sides with stones but are only 6 ft. to 7 ft. in thickness: the core in each case appears to have been of earth and stone. There are no signs of ditches, or of internal structures.

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FORT, PEACE KNOWE. (INVENTORY NO. 357). The inner mound is a natural feature. It is surrounded by a low bank which has a slight quarry-trench inside it, but this is not sufficiently substantial to have been a rampart and is probably nothing more than a plantation-bank. The remaining banks and terraces are genuine defences as described in the article.

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EARTHWORK, DECHMONT LAW. Dechmont Law, half a mile SSW. of Dechmont village, is a narrow, elongated ridge clothed with rough pasture, which lies N. and S. and attains a height of 700 ft. O.D. The W. flank of the ridge is steep and about 80 ft. in height, and the E. flank, although only half as high, was probably equally steep before the face was removed by quarrying operations, now discontinued: the N. and S. slopes are, however, only gently inclined. On the top of the ridge there are some slight traces of a small earthwork, roughly rectangular on plan (Fig.), whose internal dimensions are unlikely to have exceeded 120 ft. from N. to S. by 65 ft. transversely. The N. and S. ends of the work are each represented by a ditch, some 20 ft. in width but not more than 3 ft. deep at the present time, which is drawn across the main axis of the ridge, while the continuation of this ditch on the W. side is indicated by a slight terrace running along the face of the ridge a few feet below the shoulder. Quarrying has destroyed all traces of the ditch on the opposite, or E., side, while erosion by wind and rain is no doubt responsible for the total disappearance of the rampart which presumably enclosed the summit area within the limits of the ditch. Faint indications of ^{an entrance -} causeway, about 5 ft. wide, can be seen crossing the ditch at the N. end of the work, but the interior is featureless.

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ENCLOSURE (SITE), DOLPHINGTON. The single ditch of an oval earthwork, measuring 210 ft. from E. to W. by 160 ft. transversely, is visible as a crop-mark on National Survey air-photographs¹ 600 yds. due W. of the farm of Dolphington.

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"CAMP", GORMYRE HILL (INVENTORY NO. 385). The rectangular earthwork on Gormyre Hill is nothing more than a late field boundary or plantation bank. In the absence of any other remains, this enclosure is presumably the supposed "Roman camp" referred to on the O.S. map.

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ENCLOSURE, GORMYRE HILL. Contrary to the statement made in the Inventory of Midlothian and West Lothian (No.385, p.239), the rectangular earthwork on the summit of Gormyre Hill, and which is marked on the O.S. map as a supposed Roman camp, is still visible in toto. It has, however, no claim to be regarded as an ancient monument, being nothing more than a turf-walled enclosure, probably of comparatively recent origin.

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v S.W. ("Camp, supposed Roman").

5 April 1953.

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