



**Places in Scotland affected by changes to  
boundaries of counties and parishes**

**AYRSHIRE**

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22.—COUNTY OF AYR.

I.—COUNTY BOUNDARIES.

There were three parishes situated partly in the county of Ayr and partly in other counties, viz., Ardrossan, Beith, and Dunlop. The following are the changes on the county boundaries:—

A. With the County of Bute.

1.—ARDROSSAN.

The parish of Ardrossan was situated partly in the county of Ayr and partly in the county of Bute, the Buteshire portion being the island of Little Cumbrae. No change has been made on the county boundary, but the Buteshire part of the parish of Ardrossan has been transferred to the Buteshire parish of Cumbrae by the Order printed at p. 93.

See County of Bute, *supra*, p. 292.

B. With the County of Renfrew.

1.—BEITH.

The parish of Beith was situated partly in the county of Ayr and partly in the county of Renfrew. By the Order printed at p. 94 the parish was placed wholly within the county of Ayr.

The following subjects have thus been transferred from the county of Renfrew to the county of Ayr:—

PLACE.	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Blae Lochside and Shutterflat.	Farm, . . . .	Representatives of Col. Wm. Mure of Caldwell.
Greenend, . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Shutterflat, . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Do. . . . .	Fishings, . . . .	Do.
Brownhill and part of Shutterflat.	Farm, . . . .	Mrs. Margaret Reid and Miss Mary Robertson.
Brownhill, . . . .	House, . . . .	Do.
East end of Shutterflat, .	Farm, . . . .	Governors of Speirs School, Beith.
Townend of Shutterflat, .	Do. . . . .	James Lamont.
Do. . . . .	Do. . . . .	Robert Kerr Crawford.

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2.—DUNLOP.

The parish of Dunlop was situated partly in the county of Ayr and partly in the county of Renfrew. By the Order printed at p. 94 the parish was placed wholly within the county of Ayr.

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The following subjects have thus been transferred from the county of Renfrew to the county of Ayr :—

PLACE.	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Castlewalls Meadow, . . .	Land, . . .	Representatives of Col. Wm. Mure of Caldwell.
Duniflat, . . .	Farm, . . .	Do.
Mid and East Fifth, . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Fingart, &c. . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Linhead and part of Tummock, . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Muirhouse, . . . . .	Do. (part), . . . . .	Do.
Netherberton and part of Ouplay, . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
South-west Ouplay, . . . . .	Do. (part), . . . . .	Do.
Pollick and part of Newlands, . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Spunkie, . . . . .	House, . . . . .	Do.
Caldwell, . . . . .	Minerals, &c. . . . .	Do.
Part of the Kilmarnock Joint Railway line (72 chains).		Glasgow, Barrhead, and Kilmarnock Joint Railway Company.
Part of Caldwell Station, . . . . .		Do.

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II.—PARISH BOUNDARIES.

1.—ARDROSSAN.

The parish of Ardrossan has been altered in area by the transference of Little Cumbræ to the parish of Cumbræ.

See County of Bute, *supra*, p. 292.

2.—AYR AND MAYBOLE.

A small part of the parish of Maybole was divided from the rest of the parish by the estuary of the River Doon. By the Order printed at p. 100 this part was transferred to the parish of Ayr.

The following subjects have thus been transferred from the parish of Maybole to the parish of Ayr :—

PLACE.	PROPRIETOR.
Abercromby Cottage, . . . . .	Wm. Baird of Cambusdoon.
Cunningpark (part), . . . . .	Do.
Goukscroft, . . . . .	Do.
Seafield (part), . . . . .	Sir Wm. Arrol.

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3.—GALSTON AND RICCARTON.

Part of the parish of Riccarton was detached from the main part of the parish by a narrow intervening portion of the parish of Galston. By the Order printed at p. 97 an exchange of territory was effected

between the two parishes, whereby Galston received the east portion of the detached part of Riccarton, while the remainder of the detached part was joined to the main portion of Riccarton parish by the annexation of the intervening portion of Galston parish. The new boundaries are fully described in the Order.

The following subjects are affected :—

(a.) Transferred from the parish of Riccarton to the parish of Galston.

PLACE.	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Milrig, . . . .	Mansion-house, policies, wood-lands, and land, . . . .	Col. John Sprot Tait of Milrig.
Kennelmount and Park, . . . .	. . . . .	Do.
Kennelmount, . . . .	House, . . . . .	Do.
Millbrae Villa, . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Milride, . . . .	Farm, . . . . .	Do.
Sornhill, . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Do. . . . .	Public-house, . . . . .	Andrew Young.
Do. . . . .	House and joiner's shop, . . . .	David Smith.
Do. . . . .	House and land, . . . . .	James Arnott.
Do. . . . .	Do. . . . .	John Barrie's Heirs.
Do. . . . .	Houses and land, . . . . .	Matthew Robertson.

(b.) Transferred from the parish of Galston to the parish of Riccarton.

PLACE.	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Aird, . . . .	Farm (part), . . . . .	Duke of Portland.
Cesnock Mill and part of land, . . . .	. . . . .	Do.
Shawsmill (part), . . . .	Land, . . . . .	Do.
Crossroads, . . . .	Joiner's shop, smithy, school, houses, and land, . . . . .	Do.
West Overland (part), . . . .	Land, . . . . .	Do.
Woodhead, . . . .	Farm (part), . . . . .	Do.
Garrochmuir, . . . .	Land, . . . . .	John Wallace Hamilton of Cairnhill.
Mains of Dollars, . . . .	Farm (part), . . . . .	Capt. C. Tufnell of Dollars.
Hurford Waterworks (part), . . . .	. . . . .	Hurford Local Authority.

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#### 4.—MAUCHLINE AND SORN.

The parish of Sorn had a small detached part which was surrounded by the parish of Mauchline. By the Order printed at p. 98 this detached part has been transferred to the parish of Mauchline.

The following subject has thus been transferred from the parish of Sorn to the parish of Mauchline :—

PLACE.	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Garfield, . . . .	Farm (part), . . . . .	Sir Wm. Miller, Batt., of Barskimming.

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5.—OCHILTREE AND STAIR.

The parish of Stair had two detached parts, one (Stair detached No. 1) wholly surrounded by the parish of Ochiltree, and the other (Stair detached No. 2) adjoining that parish and the parish of Coylton. By the Order printed at p. 99 an exchange of territory was effected between the parishes of Stair and Ochiltree, whereby the divided condition of Stair is done away with, both parishes being now self-contained:—(a) Stair detached No. 2 was transferred to the parish of Ochiltree, and (b) the portion of Ochiltree parish described in Clause I. of the Order was transferred to Stair, and thereby Stair detached No. 1 was united with the main portion of Stair parish. The new boundary thus laid down between the parishes may be followed for the greater part of its distance on the Ordnance one-inch maps. From the boundary of Coylton parish it runs in an easterly direction along the north boundary of Stair detached No. 2 to its eastmost point, and thence it follows the south march of the plantation shown on the map to the point at which a belt of planting strikes off to the north-east. Thence it runs north-east along the west march of this belt of planting till it meets the east boundary of Stair detached No. 1. After following the last-mentioned boundary north and north-west, it strikes off to the main part of Stair parish by a line which keeps Gargown on the east and Little Speirston on the west.

The following subjects are affected:—

(a.) Transferred from the parish of Stair to the parish of Ochiltree.

PLACE.	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Drongan,	House, land, and wood-land.	Commander the Hon. J. M. York, R.N., and his spouse, Mrs. E. M. H. Oswald.
Do.	Store, slaughter-house, and numerous small houses,	Do.
Do.	Minerals,	Do.
Auldbyres,	Farm,	Do.
High Barbeth,	Do.	Do.
Mid Barbeth,	Houses and land,	Do.
North Barbeth,	House and land,	Do.
Burnside,	Farm,	Do.
Cairnston and Carlaverock,	Do.	Do.
Coalhall,	Joiner's shop, houses, and land,	Do.
Craigbrae,	Farm,	Do.
Drongan House,	Do.	Do.
Drongan Mains,	Do.	Do.
Gateside, Coalhall,	Inn, stable, granary, houses, and land,	Do.
Hannahstone,	Farm,	Do.
Kerrston and Dickston,	Do.	Do.
Lane,	Do.	Do.
M'Coshton,	Do.	Do.
Old Pottery,	Houses and land,	Do.

PLACE	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Shield, . . . . .	Farm, . . . . .	Commander the Hon. J. M. York, R.N., and his spouse, Mrs. E. M. H. Oswald.
Mill of Shield, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Shield Mains, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Taighum, . . . . .	Smithy, house, and land, . . . . .	Do.
Tvbergill, . . . . .	House and land, . . . . .	Do.
Windmillhall, . . . . .	Joiner's shop, byre, stable, and houses, . . . . .	Do.
Drongan Station, . . . . .	Land, . . . . .	Glasgow and South-Western Railway Co.
Part of the Glasgow and South-Western Railway line (1 mile 58 chains), . . . . .		Do.
Drongan Station, . . . . .		Do.

(b.) Transferred from the parish of Ochiltree to the parish of Stair.

PLACE	DESCRIPTION.	PROPRIETOR.
Anchinleck, . . . . .	Woodlands and fox covert.	Trustees of late Lady Jessie J. Cunningham or Boswell of Anchinleck.
Bogside, . . . . .	House and land, . . . . .	Do.
Braehead, . . . . .	Farm, . . . . .	Do.
Chipperlagan, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Creochill and Gibston, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Dalrympleston, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Dormiston and Londonstone, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Henryston, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Hoodston, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Hunterstone, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Roadend, . . . . .	House and land, . . . . .	Do.
Roadinghead, . . . . .	Smithy, house, and land, . . . . .	Do.
Spierston and Whitehill, . . . . .	Farm, . . . . .	Do.
Trabboch, . . . . .	Mill, house, and land, . . . . .	Do.
Do. . . . .	Minerals, . . . . .	Do.
Garnockhill, . . . . .	Farm, . . . . .	Widow and Trustees of late James M'Cosh.
Do. . . . .	Minerals and miners' houses, . . . . .	Do.
Lochhill, . . . . .	Farm (part), . . . . .	Sir Wm. F. Miller of Barskimming.
Little Spierston, . . . . .	Do. . . . .	Do.
Schaw, . . . . .	Farm and woodlands, . . . . .	Capt. W. J. S. Neill of Swindrigemuir.
Do. . . . .	Minerals, . . . . .	Do.
Do. . . . .	Cottage and land, . . . . .	George Hillhouse.
Do. . . . .	F.C. manse, stable, and coach-house, . . . . .	Coylton Free Church Trustees.
Trabboch House, . . . . .	House, . . . . .	James W. Galloway.
Trabboch, . . . . .	Store, reading-room, and miners' houses, . . . . .	J. W. Galloway, for John Galloway & Co., coal-masters.
Loudonstone, . . . . .	Houses, . . . . .	Do.
Part of the Glasgow and South-Western Railway line (1 mile 6 chains), . . . . .		Glasgow and South-Western Railway Co.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTES.

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1. The Counties are arranged in the same order as in the Census returns, "so that a zig-zag line beginning at the north of Scotland and carried to the south passes successively through every County." The Counties have the same numbers as in the Census returns.

2. The subjects transferred are enumerated under the head of the County or Parish to which they are transferred. Thus when an area has been transferred from County A to County B, the subjects affected are enumerated under County B, and a cross reference is given under County A.

3. The names of subjects are those contained in the Valuation Rolls. In the description of subjects the term "farm" includes the farm-house and servants' houses, and the term "croft" includes the house. But where any of the servants' houses on a farm have distinctive names, such houses are detailed separately. "House" includes cottage, and "land" includes gardens, yards, &c.

4. The names of proprietors are in almost every case those given in the Valuation Rolls of 1890-91. It is therefore to be borne in mind that in some cases those who are described as proprietors may be limited owners only, such as liferenters or leaseholders.

5. Where villages or towns are affected, the names of the subjects and the proprietors are not usually given. The description of the area transferred is in such cases quite sufficient to show whether and to what extent any subject in the village or town has been affected by the Order.

6. The Ordnance maps referred to are those published by the Ordnance Survey Department on the scale of one inch to the mile. Those published down to this date (November 1891), show the Counties and Parishes as they were before the Orders of the Commissioners came into operation. It is expected that, when the work of the Commissioners is completed, revised maps will be published to show the altered boundaries, but the sheets of the revised maps will bear the same numbers as the present maps. The Orders and the explanations can be readily followed on the maps as published at present.

7. An ampersand (&) is used where a County or a Parish has a double name, e.g., "Ross & Cromarty", "Fetlar & North Yell."

8. In most cases it is necessary to read the text of the Order along with the explanation, because the full descriptions contained in the Orders are, as a rule, not repeated in the explanation.