BAPTIST CHURCH, Barrhill Road

Warrick	1887
AA 21.10.1886	Memorial Stone was laid on Saturday.
Love, Cumnock, 51	Porch added in the 1970s.

CHRISTIAN BRTHREN HALL, 60 Barrhill Road

SVR 1965-66	8 October 1965, for Cumnock Christian Brethren.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH [1]

See PARISH SCHOOL [1]

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH [2], Auchinleck Road. {inc MANSE]

List 34	1882-83. Early decorated aisleless rectangular church, 3 bays of lancets and triple lancet transepts, flush on E; S gable has 4 light geometrical window, gabled bellcote and pinnacled buttresses, slated roof with fleche feature; MANSE at NE, single storey and attic, 2-window and centre porch with bipartite ground floor windows, stone dormer, slated roof. Ref: Strawhorn, 154. CS.
McNaughton	Founded 1838, and met in converted parish school, north side of the Square.
McNaughton	New church, Stepends, February 1883
Love, Cumnock, 51	Opened 18.2.1883. **John Murdoch**, Ayr, architect.
Warrick	Ballochmyle sandstone. Cost: £1600.
AA 22.2.1883	Opened Sabbath last. Neat little Gothic structure.
McNaughton	1993, left Congregational Union.

MANSE

ASH, F 11.1.1884, 3a	About to build manse, within the walls of the feu.

CRICHTON MEMORIAL FREE CHURCH, later CoS, Ayr Road

List 27	**Duncan Menzies**, Edinburgh, 1897-99. Curvilinear Gothic red snecked rubble, slated roof. Broad S gable front, doorway with 3 orders granite shafts, pair of 2 lights and rose window above; low gabled tower on W, tall 4 stage tower with twin belfry windows, stone spire rising 140 ft with tall lucarnes flanked by octagonal pinnacles on E; body of church behind has gabled flanks with 3 light windows, transepts with 4 lights, canted organ chamber apse. Interior: pitch pine roof open to collar beams, gallery S end over entrance vestibule. Ref: Strawhorn, 152. B.
Steven, Cumnock	[The old Free Church] has lately been demolished and an exceedingly fine church has taken its place, the gift of Miss Crichton of Hillside. It is built of red sandstone in the style of ornamented English Gothic. The spire is exceedingly graceful, and gives an air of distinction to the little town.
Warrick	Ballochmyle Sandstone.
Strawhorn, 1966, 152	Built 1896-99.
Ewing, II, 59	Gift of Miss Crichton of Hillside.
BA, xlvi, 18	To be built, 1896.
AA 25.6.1896	Conts wanted - apply to architect, D Menzies, 39 York Place, Edinburgh.
B, lxxiii, 136-137	Ornamental Gothic style. Truncated cross form - end of larger arm on Ayr Road - central high pointed gable finished with an ornamental cross, with a buttressed tower supported by a spire on one side, and a smaller gable relieved by buttresses terminating in ornamental pinnacles with carved finials on the other. main entrance door in centre of front gable - approached by a flight of steps - on either side, lancet

headed windows - arched head of the doorway is filled with moulded tracery work - door jambs have granite columns with carved capitals and deeply moulded arch stones above - over front door and side windows are gablets flanked by slender buttresses with pinnacles and carved finials. The front gable has 2 2-light large windows filled with arched tracery - above them a large circular window with moulded flowing tracery. Wall to left of main gable has 2-light windows having their arches filled with tracery work - a trefoil moulded sunk band is carried across lower portion of gable head. Tower and spire - 140' high - angle buttresses of tower terminate in moulded pinnacles with finials and carved crockets - beneath cope stone of tower is an ornamental band of lancet-headed cusped sunk perforations - tower divided into 4 heights by string mouldings, 3 of them being relieved by windows having arched and cusped heads with hood mouldings and terminations, the upper tier consisting of a large 2-light windoe, while the lower division contains a panel and carved shield. From top of tower springs an octagonal spire, the lower portion of which is pierced on 4 sides with high window openings with traceried heads surmounted by high gablets and flanked on each side by slender buttresses with carved finials - the other 4 sides have large octagonal pinnacles at the tower corners with moulded sunk work in gablets on each face and carved finials above. Side elevations - pierced by large 4-light and 3 light windows filled with mulions and tracery work.

INTERIOR. Front entrance corridor, 8'6" wide, with session room (with classroom above) at one end and tower containing gallery stair at other end. Nave to be 44' wide, transepts to be 52' wide. Length from front corridor to back wall of apse of 68' Back wall to be broken by 27' wide opening, beyond which will be placed a raised platform containing pulpit and elders' seats - still farther back, an apse with a stone arched moulded opening, to provide accommodation for organ and choir - lit by 3 2-light windows. Space above front corridor used as gallery - no side galleries. Roof lined with pitch-pine - open to collar-beam. Pews of pitch pine with moulded ornamental ends. Roof principals spring from carved stone corbels with ornamental curved bracket supports. Hall (behind church), waiting room and vestry. Church to seat about 500.

BN lxxiii, 181

To be built on site of previous Free Church. Builder: **Richmond**, Cumnock. Dec style with Flamboyant tracery. Plan: truncated cross - nave and transepts. Front: central highpitched gable finished with a cross - on one side buttressed tower and spire - on other side smaller gable relieved by buttresses terminiating in ornamental pinnacles - in centre of front gable main entrance door approached by a flight of steps - on either side of door, lancet headed windows - front gable pierced by 2 2-light large traceried windows - above, circular window with moulded flwoing tracery. Tower and spire, 140' high - angle buttresses terminate in moulded pinnacles with finials and carved crockets. Side elevations pierced by 4-light and 3-light windows filled with mullions and tracery. INTERIOR: Back wall broken by opening beyond which is a platform for minister's and elders' seats - behind, apse for organ and choir. Roof open to collarbeam - lined with pitch pine. Pews: pitchpine, moulded ends. Seated for 500.

AA 29.7.1897

Memorial stone laid last Tuesday. Architect: D Menzies, York Place, Edinburgh. Church, hall, waiting room, &c. Truncated cross, end of longer arm pointing to Ayr Road. Elevation - central high pointed gable, with a buttressed tower surmounted by a spire on one side, and a smaller gable relieved by buttresses terminating in ornamental

pinnacles on the other. Main door in centre of front, approached by a flight of steps. On either side, lancet windows. Front gable is pierced by 2 two-light windows with arched tracery, and above a large circular window with flowing tracery. The tower and spire rise to 140', and the angle buttresses of the tower terminate in moulded pinnacles with finials and carved crockets. Side elevations will be pierced large 4-light and 3-light windows. The style adopted is the Decorated Gothic, and the flowing window tracery partakes somewhat of the Flamboyant Style.

B, lxxvii, 247 — Opened 3.9.1899.

CH3/649/5 press cutting — Memorial stone laid when building well advanced on 27.7.1899. Gothic style with tower and spire. Mullioned 3 and 4 light windows on side elevation. Seating for 500. Hall at rear seated for 150. Vestry with door to manse adjoining. Open collar beam pitch pine roof, with moulded ornamental ends. Roof principals spring from stone corbels with bracket supports.
Conts: **William Richmond**, Cumnock (Provost), mason; **David White**, Cumnock, joiner; **H & T Morrison**, Cumnock, slaters; **W Miller**, Ayr, plasterer.

AA 7.9.1899 — Opened last Sunday. Ballochmyle stone. Organ: Messrs **Ingram & Co**., Edinburgh and Hereford.

Sc Pict., V/101 Sept 1899 — Opened - Beautiful and commodious.

sv — 4 main windows are dated 1906.

AP 23.9.1955 — Rededicated after interior redecoration. **Stevenson & Ferguson**, Ayr, architects.

COMMUNUION TABLE

CC1957, events of 1956 — Dedicated 3rd June 1956.

REV JOHN HASTINGS MILLAR

[Fasti] — Born 18th April 1921, Dalmellington. Educated at Lethanhill PS 1926-1933; Dalmellington HGS 1933-36; Ayr Academy 1936-39; Glasgow University and Trinity College 1939-46. MA, 1942. Licensed 23rd April 1946; assistant, Govan Old, 1946-7 - Glasgow Greyfriars 15 Jan 1948; Crichton 29th March 1950. Demitted office 30th June 1960.
Married 29th June 1949 to Veronica Jane Gibson (born 8th July 1921), daughter of John and Elizabeth Shaw Kerr or Gibson. Children: Elizabeth Katherine (14.12.1950) - John Gibson (29.4.19553 - Griselda Margaret (31.8.1954).

CUMNOCK WEST

AA 15.2.1877 — U.P. Church reopened after 5 months extensive alterations. New pulpit, stained glass in E windows, &c.

ASH, Sa 17.2.1877, 3d — U.P. Church re-opened last Sunday, having been closed for 5 months, for alterations and repairs. The galleries have been lowered, and that opposite the pulpit set back. "The former unsightly pulpit (like that which disfigured the magnificent and solemn looking Established Church here, always reminded us of a big toddy bowl) has been removed".

Kirkwood 1900 — After the FC/UP union of 1900 the UP church was known as Cumnock West UF.

CRICHTON WEST CHURCH HALL

CH2/532/24 5.9.1950 — To be reconstructed.

CRICHTON MEMORIAL MANSE

[After 1949 union with U.S, later Cumnock West, the US Manse was retained]

E.U. CHURCH, Barrhill Road

McNaughton		1884; chapel, Barrhill Road, c.1886. Closed 1895.

EXTENSION CHURCH [NOT BUILT?}

CH2/685/1	16.11.1836	Heritors approve of plan obtained by Bute for extension church from **[James] Dempster**.
	17.1.1837	Plan does not allow sufficient light to pulpit, and gallery stairs should be altered to N side of church. Plan revised by Dempster. Est cost: £1936.

FREE CHURCH [1]

Strawhorn, 1966, 151		Built 1843
Ewing, II, 59		Opened in October 1843.
Ch3/649/5	press cutting	Memorial stone laid, when building was well advanced, 27.7.1843. Cost £390 13s.
CH3	24.6.1850	Bell presented by Hew Crichton of Edinburgh.
Warrick, 1899,132		Taken down to make way for new church. Photo.

FREE CHURCH [2] See CRICHTON MEMORIAL

FREE CHURCH MANSE

CH3/642/5	12.11.1845	Built by November 1845.
CH3/649/5	2.8.1864	Addition proposed.
	22.8.1864	Plans of addition approved. Conts: **William Richmond**, mason; **McIlwraith**, plumber and slater; **McLeod**, joiner and plasterer. Est cost: £100.
	4.5.1865	Rooms decorated.

OLD CUMNOCK PARISH CHURCH [1]

Cowan, 1967,42		Was a prebend of Glasgow Cathedral. Patronage remained with Dunbars of Cumnock in C15.
CH2/532/1	19.5.1642	Description. Kirk is too small and too far from centre of population. Parishioners to negotiate with Lord Dumfries and Crighton for building new church.
	23.10.1644	Repairs, 1644. Kirk is in "ruins". Est cost of repairs 1000 merks.

OLD CUMNOCK PARISH CHURCH [2]

CH2/532/1	9.9.1647	New kirk to be built. Ready to be seated by 18.7.1649 [ibid]
Chalmers, II, 522		Ceased in use, 1754.

OLD CUMNOCK PARISH CHURCH [3]

Love, Cumnock,25		c.1754. **John and Robert Adam**, architects.
1SA, vi, 117		Built in 1754.
Chalmers, III, 522		Built in 1754.
Paterson, I, 350		Church stands in square in centre of village, surrounded by old burial ground.
Strawhorn, 1966, 47		Built in 1754. Low building with squate tower and contained an old Dutch bell.
Colvin		Designs for 1753/54 church made by **James Adam**. Design in sketch book at Penicuik House for Cumnock Church, Ayrshire, dated 1753.
Strawhorn, 1966, 150		Renovated and stairs added in 1822.
CH2/685/1	3.5.1822	Inner stair to galleries to be taken down and areas seated. Outer stairs to galleries to be built. Conts: **William Galbraith**, Cumnock, carpenter, and **William Black**, wright.
AA, Th 9.5.1822, 1c		Contractors wanted for repairs to the parish church.

AA, Th 3.3.1864, 4d		New church to be on site of "present antiquated and unsightly building."
Strawhorn, 1966, 150		Demolished when new church complete.

OLD CUMNOCK OLD CHURCH [4]

List 1		**James Maitland Wardrop** (**Brown & Wradrop**), 1867, replacing 1754 church. Early decorated style. SE tower with pyramid roof truncated by timber belfry (intended spire not built), porch at northern S front, double transepts E and W, N apsidal feature containing vestry &c and Bute family vault; snecked rubble with freestone dressings, slated roof. Stained glass of 1867 by **Ballantyne**. Refs: BoS, Groome, ii, 327-328, Warrick pp 22-226, Strawhorn p150-151. Cumnock became a burgh of barony by Royal Charter in 1509 and a police burgh (Cumnock and Holmhead) in 1866. Holmhead dropped from title in 1960.
Love, Cumnock, 39		Built between 1863 and 1867. Coalburn (New Cumnock) yellow sandstone. Cost £6227 14s 8d: proposed spire not built.
CH2/532/5	2.12.1863	Church to be rebuilt on site of present church. 1000 sittings.
CH2/695/1	10.9.1863	White freestone. Gothic style, with gallery for the patron, the Marquis of Bute. Contractors: **A[ndrew] McLa[u]chlan** mason; **R Johnston**, joiner; **I Campbell & Son** plasterers; **I McIlwraith**, plumber and slater. Pulpit railings: **Shotts Iron Co**. [Ibid, 30.3.1867, **John Rhind** paid for models]. Est cost £4254.
North British Advertiser 30.1.1864		To be built in 1864. Architects: **Brown & Wardrop**.
AA, Th 4.2.1864, 1b		Contractors - Parish Church - Brown & Wardrop, 19 St Andrews Square, Edinburgh.
AA, Th 3.3.1864, 4d		Main contractors to be mason: **Andrew McLachlan**, builder, Ayr; joiner: **Robert Johnstone**, Edinburgh. &c. Total estimated cost, £4200.
AA 5.5.1864		Foundation stone laid last Monday. Architect given as W Wardrop.
KWP Sa7.5.1864 6de		Foundation stone laid last Monday. **W** [sic] **Wardrope**, Edinburgh, architect. **Andrew McLauchlan**, Ayr, builder.
ASH, Sa 7.5.1864, 5ad		Foundation stone laid last Monday. Lengthy report.
KS 17.2.1866		This handsome edifice is now advancing towards completion. It is erected on the site of the old church at the Square and is in the Gothic style of architecture. Capitals are being carved by Mr **Boyd**, sculptor, Ayr. The heritors intrusted the plans of their new church to Messrs Brown and Wardrop, architects, Edinburgh.
ASH, Sa 4.8.1866, 4f5a		Nearing completion.
KS 24.11.1866: AA 22.11.1866: ASH Sa 24.11.1866 5cde		Formally opened last Sunday. Gothic, with unfinished tower at E corner. Circular stained glass window above pulpit. [Details of interior]. Brown & Wardrop, architects; stained glass: **Ballantyne**, Edinburgh. [ASH: **McLachlan**, Ayr, builder; **Johnstone**, Edinburgh, joiner; **Ballantine**, Edinburgh, stained glass.]
B, xxv, 455		Built 1867 - Decorated style.
Strawhorn, 1966, 150		Est cost without spire £3500. Opened 15.11.1866. Final cost, inc furnishings: £6227 14s 8d. [Steven, Cumnock, agrees on date of opening]
CH2/695/1	10.12.1872	Tower completed 1872. Church Tower to be raised 12' to accommodate clock and bell. Clock presented by Capt William Allason Cunninghame of Logan and Afton. Clockmakers: **Marshalls** of Edinburgh. **Maitland Wardrop**, architect. Conts: **Andrew Murdoch**

		& Sons, Ochiltree, masons; **David McLeod**, joiner and slater. Est cost £185.
Strawhorn, 1966, 151		Interior modernised 1886.
Strawhorn, 1966, 151		Renovated 1894.
CH2/695/1	8.6.1916	**Allan Stevenson**, Ayr, architect, to draw plans of the church to hang in the Session House.
Ch2/532/22	2.5.1928	Closed for repairs, 1928.
Love, Cumnock, 39		Internal alterations, including mosaic behind pulpit, 1966.
	STAINED GLASS, 1866	
CH2/695/1	24.5.1866	Designs for stained glass windows obtained at request of Marquis of Bute. Gift of Marquis. Artist: **Ballantine**, Edinburgh.
B, xxv, 455		2 principal windows - 8 figures to be epitome of the founding of Christianity and its introduction into Scotland, from sketches from the Marquis. - Christ, Virgin Mary, St John, St Andrew, Queen Margaret, King David, St Kentigern and St Ninian. Upright compartments surrounded with decorated borderings and tracery filled with lillies, roses and other ecclesiastical emblems. Wheel window between the 2 twin-light windows has similar emblems. Artists: **Ballantine & Son**, Edinburgh.
Strawhorn, 1966, 151		Presented by church's patron, Marquess of Bute.
	STAINED GLASS, c.1892	
Honey draft		3 light window in south gallery, i.m.o. P C Boswell of Garallan, †1892.
	STAINED GLASS, 1906	
AA 31.1.1907		Memorial Window dedicated last Sunday. Work of Mr **Moore** of London. [Presumably the window to Kerr, dated 1906]
	STAINED GLASS, 1913	
BN, civ, 58		Memorial window to Mrs Brakenridge. 3 lights and tracery. Subjects: Christ with Martha and Mary: female figures illustrating "Teaching the Young": "Benevolence and Good Works". Tracery and angels.
AA 9.1.1913		3-light stained glass window to Agnes Moore or Brakenridge, †1910. Our Lord with Mary and Martha, and female figures illustrating The Teaching of the Young and Benevolence and Good Works. Design: **J Ballantine**, Edinburgh.
	STAINED GLASS, 1960	
AP 15.1.1960		2 stained glass windows dedicated recently in memory of Jean Morton, †1958.
Honey draft		**James A Crombie**, for the **Abbey Studio**.
	STAINED GLASS, 1989	
sv		2 quatrefoil windows in vestibule are by **Susan Bradbury**, one is dated 1989.
	BELL, 1697	
Strawhorn, 1966, 150		Hung on the Bell Tree at foot of Strand until 1872. Retained by heritors and hung in school belfry from 1875. Decorated with ornate geometric designs and a hunting scene around its border. Bellfounder: **Quirinus de Visscher** of Rotterdam. Dated 1697. 2o and three-eighth inches diameter.
CH2/695/1	30.3.1867	Old bell re-erected in new church.
	3.7.1875	Gifted to new school, presently building.
	BELL, 1873	
Clouston		Bell of 1873 by **John C Wilson**.
	LOFT	
Stamp		**Schultz** executed small jobs for Lord Bute in Cumnock. In 1896 he prepared designs and working drawings for new chairs for the loft of the parish church and [see St Johns] .. Ref: 1896 Letter Book.
	ORGAN	
CH2/695/1	17.5.1877	Organ to be introduced.

Groome, 327		Installed 1881. [Strawhorn, 151: Installed 1880]
AA 28.7.1881		Organ by **T C Lewis & Co**., London.
AA 15.9.1881		Organ to be inaugurated tomorrow.
AA 22.9.1881		Organ case designed by **R S Ingram**, Kilmarnock, of pitch pine.
	ROBERTSON MEMORIAL	
CH2/22, p.318	11.3.1936	Plans for memorial to Rev J Spence Robertson approved.
	WAR MEMORIAL	
CH2/695/1	1.2.1920	To be erected inside church.

OLD CUMNOCK PARISH HALL [or MISSION HALL}

Strawhorn, 1966, 151		Built in 1900
BI 9/103	October 1898	Hall for Parish church congregation; **Allan Stevenson**, Ayr, architect.
AA, DHP		1899, **Allan Stevenson**
CH2/539/19	7.12.1898	Cumnock Church Hall to be built on part of the glebe.
TT, F 6.1.1899, 8b		Reference to discussions about feuing part of the Glebe for a Mission Hall. Allan Stevenson, architect.
CH2/695/1	23.2.1899	Plans for new hall to be built on glebe approved.
TT, F 25.8.1899, 8b		In course of erection. Bazaar held in Town Hall. Main contractors are Provost Richmond, mason, and David White, joiner. Sketch: PHOTOCOPY herewith.
KS 14.4.1900		The Mission Hall in connection with the Established Church is nearing completion. Allan Stevenson, Ayr, architect.
KS 29.9.1900		Formally opened last Wednesday.
CH2/532/22	7.12.1938	Altered and improved, 1938.

OLD CUMNOCK PARISH MANSE [1]

CH2/532/2	28.7.1698	To be “made habitable”, repaired.
	1.4.1700	To be repaired next season.

OLD CUMNOCK PARISH MANSE [2]

1SA, VI, 117		Built c.1750.
CH2/685/1	20.8.1807	Office house, barn and byre rebuilt. Cont: **William Galbraith**, Cumnock, carpenter. Est cost: £97.
	24.6.1834	10’ high storm wall built around manse. Boundary walls to be built 6’.
CH2/695/1	5.4.1838	Addition to front of manse. Conts: **William Gibson** and **John Richmond**, masons; **William Black**, wright. Est cost £275. To be completed by 11/1838.
	28.6.1849	Altered and repaired 1849. Proposed demolition of W wing and manse to be repaired and altered. **[William] Clarke**, Glasgow, architect; **William Gibson**, mason, and **William Black**, wright, contractors. Est cost: £418. Complete by 29.6.1850 (ibid).
	29.3.1884	Repair 1884. Outer walls cast and coloured. Roof repaired. Internal improvements. Final cost: C.£150.
Darley Hay		1896 Additions and alterations, John Murdoch.
CH2/695/1	29.10.1896	Renovation, 1896. New window in dining-room and library, part of manse at rear gutted and refloored. Barn converted to wash-house. Old byre and stable removed. **John Murdoch**, Ayr, architect. Conts; **George Reid**, mason, and **David White**, joiner. Est cost: £500.
	21.5.1903	1903. Manse renovated and porch built at entrance. **Allan Stevenson**, Ayr, architect. Final cost: £356 16s 10d.
	30.1.1913	Roof repairs and alteration to office houses. **Allan Stevenson**, Ayr, architect. Final cost: £219 15s 9d.
CH2/532/22	24.6.1936	Bridge to be built in the glebe.
	2.11.1932	To be sold.
Ch2/532/23	3.4.1945	To be sold to Cumnock TC.

FES, IX, 182 — Sold after new manse purchased in 1950.

OLD CUMNOCK MANSE [3], 29 Barrhill Road

ACC Planning, A2570 — July 1950. Alterations, 27BR; **Eric A Hurcomb** for Cumnock Old Kirk Session.

ST ANDREW'S [U.F. CHURCH, continuing] Glaisnock Street

Love, Cumnock, 75 — Designed and built by **Donald MacDonald**. Formally opened 3 June 1939.

AP 21.10.1938 — Memorial Stone laid last Saturday.

AP 9.6.1939 — Formally opened last Saturday.

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST R C CHURCH, Glaisnock Street

List 25 — **William Burges**, 1881-82. Early decorated. 4-bay nave with aisles and long-apsed chancel orientated S, unfinished SE tower containing organ chamber, lean-to timber vestibule at N gable; droved coursers, double-pitched parallel roofs over nave and aisles. N gable has plate tracery rose window N gable, 2 light windows at aisles trefoil headed windows on the flanks.

Interior: low cylindrical piers, capitals uncut, kingpost roof with upper area boarded as waggon roof; arcaded wall treatment of apse windows with shaft rings, spandrels of chancel arch mural painted, fine boarded ceiling in apse; modern granite pulpit and latar, altarpiece by **John Francis Bentley** executed **N J Westlake** in E aisle, rich late Gothic triptych. Stained glass in apse by **Westlake**, 1884. B.

Crook — 1878-1880, for Lord Bute: incomplete. A village church ... a cheaper version of [Burges'] church at Murston, Kent, 1872-73. Completed to slightly different designs by J F Bentley and N HJ Westlake. The interior decoration, apart from the painted roof of the apse, has been much altered.

Stamp — **Schultz** executed small jobs for Lord Bute in Cumnock. In 1896 ... he designed shrines, which were made at Cardiff, for St Johns, the R C church which Burges had designed and Bentley had furnished for Lord Bute. In 1898-99 **Schultz** directed the installation of electric light in the church. Ref: Letter books of 1896, 1898-9.

STAINED GLASS

Love, Cumnock, 60 — Stained glass windows of 1883 (Bute window) and 1884 (behind altar) by N J Westlake.

B, xlvi, 391 — St John Window, 1884. Commissioned by Marquis of Bute. Artist: N Westlake. Subjects are Madonna holding the infant Christ, and St John officiating as Deacon at the heavenly Mass as described by St Gertrude.

FITTINGS

Love, Cumnock, 60 — Altar, font, tabernacle plinth and pulpit, 1960s, of white Creetown granite.

CHURCH HALL

Cath Dir of Scot, 1984, 472 — Opened 14.12.1982.

PRESBYTERY

Love, Cumnock, 60 — 1913, **Reginald Fairlie**. Mirror image of his presbytery for Our Lady, Troon.

SALVATION ARMY, Townhead Street

SVR 1967-1968 — 25 November 1967.

U.F. CHURCH [CONTINUING] — See St Andrew's

U.P. CHURCH — See Cumnock West.

U.P. MANSE

AA 19.12.1867: ASH Sa 21.12.1867, 1a
Contractors - UP Manse.

ASH, SA 11.1.1868, 5d — Contractor to be **William McLetchie**, joiner.

UNITED SECESSION CHURCH (Burgher) [1]

Small, II, 333 — Congregation formed in 1773.

AANHS 5, p127 — Erected 1775.

Warrick, 1899, 139 — Built over by new church

UNITED SECESSION CHURCH (Burgher) [2], Tanyard [became WEST UF, then WEST CoS, union with CRICHTON 1949]

List 29 — 1831. Rectangular plan unusual 3-bay ashlar classic W facade to Tanyard, central entrance bay raised with entablature, Tudor hhodmoulds over striaght-headed and splayed doorpiece and 2 light windows with lattice glazing (N window blocked, S window partly built up); squared rubble 3-bay flanks, arched upper windows, slated piended roof. Ref: Strawhorn, 62. CS.

Love, Cumnock, 42 — Builders were **Andrew Murdoch and J Nimmo**, masons, **David Kier**, slater, &c.

Small, II, 333 — Built by Secession Congregation in 1831. 851 sittings.

Warrick — "Commodious".

AA, Th 28.4.1831, 1d — Contractors wanted for church to be built for the United Associate Congregation.

Love, Cumnock, 42 — Became UP in 1847.

Love, Cumnock, 42 — Hall, vestry and session house added in 1904, and a pipe organ installed.

CH2/532/24 5.9.1950 — To be sold following local union (with Crichton).

ACC, Property & Supplies Cttee, 3.4.1951
Depute County Architect asked to prepare plans for inserting first floor, and converting vestry, session house, &c., into a caretaker's house.

ACC Planning, A3779 — July 1951. Alterations, Crichton West Church, Tanyard Lane, for Ayr County Council.

ACC Planning, A7777 — September 1954. Alterations to West Church Store, Tanyard, to form 4-apt house, for Ayr County Council.

UNITED SECESSION MANSE — see 33 AUCHINLECK ROAD

KIRKYARD [1] — = The Square

Paterson, I, 1837, 351 — Built over before 1837.

Strawhorn, 1966, 158 — Graveyard closed and square laid over it in mid C18. Dumfries family retained right to use burial ground beneath church.

GRAVEYARD, Barrhill Road [2]

List 37 — Formed 1756 incorporating small burial enclosure with Peden's grave. Old rubble-walled quadrilateral enclosure containing some interesting monuments including Gothic obelisk by **R [S] Ingram** erected in 1891 to Prophet (Rev Alexander) Peden, 1626-1686. Ref: Strawhorn, 158. CS.

Strawhorn, 1966, 158 — Opened in 1756 on land beside Peden's burial place up the Barrhill.

CH2/685/1 11.8.1803 — Dykes built around it. Walls built up and new gate piers erected 1804.

8.10.1819 — New iron gates at entrance.

CH2/695/1 17.5.1877 — Closed to further burials.

PEDEN MONUMENT

BI 2/16	July 1891	Monument to Alexander Peden .. plans and offer of **Andrew Murdoch**, Cumnock, sculptor, accepted by the Committee. Design is Gothic in character. material: Aberdeen granite.
AA 9.7.1891/ KS 11.7.1891		Plan of Andrew Murdoch adopted. It is Gothic in design, will stand 20' high and be constructed of Aberdeen granite and will be proceeded with immediately.
AA 7.1.1892		Erected was completed last Thursday.
AA 9.6.1892		To be inaugurated 16.6.1892.
AA 23.6.1892		At opening of Peden Monument both R S Ingram and A Murdoch present, but no details of work given.
Love, Cumnock, 20		Names designer as R S Ingram, and also gives date of unveiling as 16 July 1892, which is an error.

DUN and PATERSON MEMORIAL

SCMA Newsletter 80, September 2002, 6-7

Old stone, sandstone, and re-cut by Old Mortality, had become weathered and unreadable. New stone, cut by **Kevin Roberts**, sculptor, Patna, unveiled 23rd June 2002.
David Dun - Simon Paterson. Shot by a party of Highlanders.

CEMETERY

AA, Th 3.2.1876, 1b	Contractors/Old Cumnock Cemetery/ Drainage and paths, mason and iron work for enclosure walls and gate entrance/ Old Cumnock Parochial Board/**John Murdoch**., Ayr, architect.
AP 15.6.1934	To be extended, to plans of Mr **Pollock**, assistant county architect.

WAR MEMORIAL

AA 8.4.1920	Design of **M Muir & Co**., Kilmarnock, chosen. 20'high, 7½' base. Octgaon - 8 name panels - surmounted by a 9' round column terminating in a martyr's crown and a ball [emblem of the new world]. Creetown granite.
AP 1.7.1921	Unveiled last Saturday. Cost over £1000. Creetown granite.

© Rob Close 2026