TRANSPORT

ROAD

DANGER BOARDS
TT, F 1.10.1897, 5g — Ayrshire Cycling. "Erection of Danger Boards. The danger boards have just been erected by the Cyclists' Touring Club on the road above Nith Lodge, between Cumnock and Dalmellington, one on the Maneight Hill side, and one on the Meikle Hill side. The chief consul (Rev Hugh Callan, Catrine) hereby thanks all those in Dalmellington, Cumnock and New Cumnock who have helped towards the cost of erection. He will be very glad to receive subscriptions of one shilling from local cyclists and others towards erecting caution boards (secondary) on Logan, Boghead, **Dalgain** and Howford Braes. The Road Surveyor is equally desirous of having these boards erected, and it is hoped the necessary subscriptions will soon be forthcoming."

BLAIRKIP
KS, 23.4.1881 — Contractors - bridge over Cessnock at Blairkip. Plans with James M Pearson, road surveyor, Kilmarnock.

BLEACHWORKS BRIDGE, CATRINE
AP, 16.6.1950, 14a — New Bleachworks Bridge formally opened Wednesday of last week. 82 foot span. 2 reinforced concrete and brick buttresses. 5' parapet. Built for Findlays by **George Reid & Sons**, Catrine.

CATRINE BRIDGE [Bridge Street]
AA, Th 8.5.1879; KS, Sa 10.5.1879
New iron bridge over the Ayr was formally opened [last] Saturday afternoon. The bridge is a substantial and tasteful structure and reflects the highest credit on Mr Morton the architect. [? James Morton, Catrine - in list of those in attendance]

CATRINE BRIDGE [St Germain Street]
AA, Th 18.10.1906 — New bridge at Catrine inspected by Kilmarnock District Committee. Architect: Mr [James] Lang, district road surveyor.

GARPEL BRIDGE
AA, Th 17.2.1876, 1abc — Bridge Money application to rebuild.

JOCK HOWIE'S BRAE
Ex inf Jim Nesbit — The road towards Mauchline from Catrine, especially that part after the council houses.

NORTH BLAIRKIP ROAD
ACC, RC 5.10.1953, 41-42 — Runs 1 mile from B7037 to High Braes, and to be formally removed from List of Highways, County Council 27 October 1953.

PARKMILL
KS, 31.4.1880 — Contractors - bridge over Parkmill Burn, on Woodhead-Mossbog branch of Ayr-Muirkirk turnpike. Plans with James M Pearson, road surveyor, Kilmarnock.

SORN NEW BRIDGE

List 9 — 2 flat segmental arches in rusticated stone masonry; centre cutwater has rounded pier; plain ashlar parapet. C.

Hume — Late C19. 1 2-span segmental arched bridge, with dressed stone arch rings and coursed rubble spandrels.

AA, Th 16.2.1871, 1a — Bridge Money applications include continued Bridge over Ayr at Coalford of Gilmilnscroft.

AA, Th 13.4.1871 — Contractors - 2 arch bridge over River Ayr on new Sorn-Catrine road - James Campbell, road surveyor.

ASH, Sa 1.7.1871, 5c — Foundation Stone laid 24.6.1871.

SORN OLD BRIDGE

List 2 — Narrow hump-backed bridge consisting of 2 arches, centre splayed cutwater; spanning the river Ayr at a most picturesque bend. A.

Hume — Early C18. A 2 span bridge, with dressed stone arch rings and rubble wing walls. The arches are nearly semi-circular and there are triangular cutwaters.

2SA [1837] — There is a stone bridge over the Ayr, near the manse, on the road from Galston to Auchinleck, which was begun and completed through the exertions of the Rev William Steele, the second minister who was settled in the parish after its final separation from Mauchline.

WEALTH OF WATERS

KS, 31.4.1880 — Contractor - bridge over Polkebbuck Burn, Wealth of Waters. Plans with James M Pearson, road surveyor, Kilmarnock.

RAIL

CATRINE STATION

AA, Th 3.9.1903 — Railway from Brackenhill Junction to Catrine formally opened last Monday.

ACC Planning, A5403 — December 1952. Change of use to Hosiery Factory, for Charles Kirkwood. Temporary permission granted, until November 1962. A5509, January 1953, is electricity supply.

GH 6.8.2008 — Estate agency advert, PHOTOCOPY herewith. Former station master's house in Newton Street. Red sandstone villa.

INDUSTRY

CATRINE MILL COMPLEX — See separate file.

CATRINE BREWERY

EG 12571, Tu 10.6.1913, 636b — On 15.5.1913, William Park, flesher, retired from the partnership (Catrine Brewery Co). It continued, under same name, as a partnership of John Kemp, brewer; George Paterson; John Blain Paterson; and the testamentary trustees of John Wallace Paterson (these included George Paterson, John Blain Paterson , Margaret Paterson).

COAL

AA, Th 16.4.1925 — Three pits of William Baird & Co have closed: Gilmilnscroft 6 - Common 16 - Berryhill.

DALGAIN MILL — See SORN VILLAGE HALL (Sorn - Churches and Public Buildings)

GILMILNSCROFT COAL WORKS

AA, Th 2.7.1840, 1d — The partnership of James Nimmo (builder, Catrine) and Andrew Edgar (Catrine) in the Gillmillscroft Coal and Lime Works was dissolved in February 1840. Nimmo continues on own account.

AA, Th 10.12.1840, 1a — James Nimmo collecting accounts.

CO 3/8/1/2, ACC 1894-96, 237-238, 24 July 1894 report on Mining Classes, giving number of men at every? Mine in Ayrshire.
Gilmilnscroft, 385, 8th.

VRs - ca.1906 — Gauchalland Coal Co. Colliery manager from (96/97 to 1905/06, William Hastie.

VRs ca.1906- 1916 — William Baird & Co Ltd

nr — Abandoned in 1916.

AA, Th 16.4.1925 — Three pits of William Baird & Co have closed: Gilmilnscroft 6 - Common 16 - Berryhill.

HOSIERY/KNITWEAR FACTORY, 26-28 Wood Street, Catrine

ACC Planning, 5229 — April 1948. Addition, Wood Street, Sorn, for Frazer Knitwear Co.Ltd. [ACC, TPC 11.5.1948, **Stevenson & Ferguson**]

ACC Planning, A3306 — February 1951. Extension; **Stevenson & Ferguson**, for Fraser Knitwear Co. Ltd.

VR 1948/49, VR 1953/54 — Catrine Hosiery Co. Ltd.

HOSIERY FACTORY, CATRINE STATION
See Transport, above.

PORTLAND IRON CO

AA, Th 26.6.1851, 1a — A meeting of Mauchline Road Trustees on 10.7.1851 will consider 'an application from the Portland Iron Co for permission to make an extension of, and carry the private branch railway connected with their works at Glenlogan and Gilmilnscroft across' turnpikes at Glenshamrock and Darnlaw.

SHAWNEUK TILEWORK

AA, Th 21.4.1853, 5d — A son born here 15.4.1853 to Andrew McSkimming.

SORN COLLIERY

ACC Planning, A4276 — December 1951. Colliery, East Montgarswood, for National Coal Board.

ACC Planning, A4686 — May 1952. Explosives Store, &c., for NCB

ACC Planning, A4687 — May 1952. Offices, &c., for NCB.

ACC Planning, A4726 — May 1952. Haulage House, Sub-station, for NCB.

AA, Th 1.1.1953, 10a-e — Work began last year on the development of Sorn Mine.

ACC Planning, A7331 — May 1954. Sub-station, Sorn Mine, for National Coal Board.

ACC Planning, A7665 — August 1954. Pit Head Baths, Canteen, &c., for National Coal Board.

ACC Planning, B1044 — March 1957. Duplicate electricity supply.

SORN NEW MILL

Hume — 558264. Built c.1850 for Thomas Hendry, worsted spinner. A 1-storey and attic 4 by 4 bay rubble building, cut down from a longer range, now part of a small farmstead. Probably ceased operations in 1901.

AA,Th 3.7.1851, 1d — Sale at Sorn New Mill, 12.7.,of tools, &c., including 'a wool-spinning billy of 42 spindles, 3½ inches apart.'

EG 12554, F 11.4.1913, 413b — In sequestration. Thomas Hendry & Son, worsted spinners, Sorn, and sole partner, William Hendry, worsted spinner and also hotel keeper, Catrine. Dividend to be paid, 17th May 1913.

TINCORNHILL QUARRY

ACC, HwC 3.9.1945 Reference to damage to plant done by Free French troops. See ref.
ACC Planning, A971 May 1949. Working and winning minerals, Tincornhill Quarry, for Ayr County Council

UTILITIES

CATRINE, DRAINAGE
CO 3/8/1/3, Ayr County Council 1895-98, 19, County Council 1.10.1895
Drainage plans have been obtained from W.R. Copland, CE, Glasgow.
CO 3/8/1/3, County Council 1895-1898, 149, County Council, 5.5.1896
£400 expenditure on Catrine Drainage authorised.
CO 3/8/1/3, Ayr County Council 1895-98, 440, Report of KDC to Co Co., 5.10.1897
Catrine Drainage Scheme has been completed.
ACC Planning, A9516 January 1956. Purification Works (additional), Catrine, for ACC.
ACC Planning, B1102 April 1957. Electricity Supply, Catrine Sewage Purification Works

CATRINE GAS WORKS
TT, F 20.1.1899, 5e [1838] Catrine Gas Light Co was instituted in January 1838.
AA, Th 2.11.1838, 1c For sale, Gas Work, on North side of St Germain Street, 'from which nearly the whole village of Catrine is lighted'.
TT, F 20.1.1899, 5e Catrine Gas Light Co became the Catrine Gas Co Ltd on 21st October 1898. Report of 1st AGM.
AP, F 18.2.1949, 1e Catrine Gas Co Ltd. Stockholders' Rep: William Duncan, CA, Glasgow.
ACC Planning, A5148 September 1952. gasholder and four purifier boxes, Catrine Gas Works, for Scottish Gas Board.

GAS PIPE BRIDGE
ACC Planning, B1864 October 1957. Steel bridge across the Ayr, Cornmill Street, to take a 6" gas main. for Scottish Gas Board.

CATRINE, WATER
CO 3/8/1/3, County Council 1895-98, 554, Report of Standing Joint Committee to County Council, 8.3.1898
Expenditure of £1800 approved.
CO 3/8/1/4, County Council 1898-1902, 74, County Council 4.10.1898
Extension of water supply. Plans, Copland, CE, Glasgow. Contracts have been let.
CO 3/8/1/4, County Council 1898-1902, 121, Report of SJC to County Council, 20.12.1898
£200 authorised for additional filter, &c.
CO 3/8/1/4, Ayr County Council 1898-1902, 212-3, KDC Report to County Council, 3.10.1899
Recently completed.

SORN, WATER WORKS
CO 3/8/1/3, County Council 1895-98, 57-58, County Council 17.12.1895
To oppose scheduling of Sorn Water Works in GSWR Railway Bill.
CO 3/8/1/4, ACC 1898-1902, 301, County Council 1.5.1900
Sorn water. £6370 approved.

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