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1901 Parish	VCH cat (1-7)	Date range	Page(s)	Content	Notes	
ALL	2	1100-1300	20	'... the "five towns of Copeland", consisting almost entirely of manors held by free tenants, their owners rendering the ancient due of cornage to the lord of Cockermouth. He retained direct control over only two townships, Cockermouth itself and Whinfell, both of which contained demesne land in the thirteenth century. (2-26) Derwentfells ... was forest or free chase ... though contained freeholds ... none held by cornage ... three ... (Brackenthwaite, Embleton and Wythop [Thorntwaite?-dd]) subinfeudated in the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. (2-28) ... (2-26) PRO SC11/730, mm 1-9,15 (2-28) Brackenthwaite ... c.1160 (<i>Reg.St Bees</i> , pp.536-7); Embleton in 1195 (<i>Cal.of Docs. relating to Scotland</i> , i. no.233); Wythop c. 1260 (CRO, D/Van/Wythop/1/1).'		
ALL	1,2	1150-1300	84-85	Derwentfells: Borrowdale granted to Fountains Abbey in 1211, Whthop subinfeudated c.1260, both included defined common. In High Lorton, Embleton and Thorntwaite, waste does not appear to have been included [this is clear in Embleton and High Lorton, but dubious in Thorntwaite, subinfeudated to the Curwens, where the township boundaries were clearly defined in the waste and the Greenwich Hospital took the rights of the lord for minerals and enclosure. What about Brackenthwaite? – dd]]		
ALL	1,2	1200-1400	32	Townships and vills. ' There is ... the existence in some parts of the region of a layer of larger units, known as "entire vills" (<i>villae integrae</i>) ... When Mosser, described as a township (<i>villata</i>) in its own right in 1278, was subinfeudated c.1203, the tenants' obligations included " as much foreign servise as pertains to on-third part of a vill in Copeland", implying that Mosser was equivalent to only part of some larger vill. ... Indeed the Five Towns (quinque villae) in the honour of Cockermouth, known by such in 1266, covered between them ten later townships. In two of them, Brigham and Greysouthen, the "entire vill" and the township co-incided; the others had a composite structure ... '		
BRI	5	1000	23	Notes evidence for a 'pre-Viking', before c.900, foundation of Brigham church.		
LOW	1, 2	1000-1230	20	' ... Loweswater, though not referred to as such may also have been forest before it was separated from the barony in 1230.(2-29) [forest of Copeland, but established as a settlement – dd] (2-29) WH Liddell, 'The private forests of South-West Cumberland', CW2, 66 (1966), pp.106-130; <i>Cal.of Docs. relating to Scotland</i> , i. no.1106.'		
LOW, MOS	5	1220	26	' ... tidying of ... boundaries ... northern edge .. St Bees Parish There, in a series of disputes c. 1220, the tithes of Mockerkin, Mosser and Thackthwaite were claimed by the neighbouring churches of Brigham and Dean. The feudal ties of all three settlements [status? – dd] were towards Egremont, and the disputes were therefore settled in favour of St Bees. (2-58) (2-58) <i>Reg.St Bees</i> , 139-144		
LOW, MOS	3	1200-1300	43-44	' ... "Waterendwood", the bank of fellside north of the lake at Loweswater. It had been included c.1203 in the grant of Mosser but the charter specified that the men of Mosser wee only to have pasture rights over it. By 1290 ... colonised by the tenants of Loweswater ... forbade futher enclosures without the consent of the lord of Mosser, and granted him twenty acres of arable land ... (3-26)'. (3-26) see book		
EMB, WHT, SET	1	1195-1950	29,31	Wythop Mill. Figure p.31. 'Both Embleton and Wythop were subinfeudated estates, carved from the forest of Derwentfells in 1195 and c.1260 respectively. (2-68) The cottages and gardens at Wythop Mill appear to have been fourteenth- or fifteenth-century encroachments onto the waste at Derwentfells, between the two subinfeudated estates. ... in the graveship of Setmurthy ... part of the township. (2-68) <i>Cal.of Docs. relating to Scotland</i> , i. no.233; CRO, D/Van/Wythop/1/1.'		

WHT	2	1260-1307	39-40	'... Granted to John de Lucy c.1260, the last subinfeudation in Derwentfells. In 1307 it was said that, when John received it, Wythop had been waste and worth only 20s. yearly for herbage, but that since then "the said waste of Wythopp is now built on and worth £10 yearly in all its profits'. Discussion of conflict of rights follows.
EMB	3	1322	45	'The destruction wrought by the 1322 raid in one small community, ... Embleton, ... where the lord of the manor, Thomas de Ireby, was killed and twelve of the manor's twenty –six peasant holdings were burnt and destroyed. (3-31) (3-31) CRO, D/Lec/302, copy inq.p.m. Thos de Ireby.'
LOW	3	1400-1450	48	Gives declining rents in Loweswater manor, component parts.
BRA	3	1547	48	'At Rannerdale, ... footings ... probably represent the "tenement and close formerly in the possession of John Alenson" which had been divided by 1547 into seven equal shares held by neighbouring farmers ... (3-47) (3-47) CRO, D/Lec/314/38, f.lxxix.'
LOW	2, 3	1250-1450	51	Loweswater deer park enclosed late C13, by 1437 let to tenants yielding £8 rent.
LOW	2,3	1550-1600	52	Lord's enclosure of the Holme, now Holme Wood.
EMB	3	1400-1600	52-54	Late medieval intakes of common in Embleton township by 1578, with map showing park.
LOR, SET	3	1473-1522	60-61	Open and closed seasons respected despite little open field land Presentments Derwentfells 1437, Setmurthy 1522.
LOR, SET, BUT	2,3	1259-1270	62	Details of tenure of 'tenants at will' are rent 'for land, pasture and pannage' and to owe the duty of 'giving evidence to the forester where necessary'. (4-23) (4-23) PRO SC11/730, mm 1v., 13v.'
LOW	3	1305	63	Eleven landless cottagers in Loweswater in 1305
WHI	2,3	1270	65, 67	'... c.1270 the most heavily burdened tenants owed a day's ploughing, one harrowing and one reaping'. 17 landed tenants and 10 cottagers. Cottagers seem to have disappeared by 1560.
LOW	1,2	1230	84	Loweswater called the manor of Balnes (Bowness) after its separation from the forest [of Copeland] in 1230 [from the lord's seat on Crummock]
ALL	2,3	1472-1517	87	Use of common. 'pasture rights were organised within the manorial framework. To the west of the Cocker the wastes of Mosser, Whinfell and Loweswater, each a separate manor at that time, were closed to stock from adjacent townships. Conversely the courts at Lorton and Brackenthwaite, ... did not fine men from anywhere within that lordship, while they did present their neighbours from Whinfell, Loweswater' [What about Mockerkin? – dd]
WHT	3	1430	101	'... 100 acres of woodland was said in 1430 to yield very little lordly income ' because it is common pasture for all the tenants of the township. (6-6) (6-6) Cal.Inq. p.m., xi. P.385; CRO, D/Lec/302, copy inq.p.m.'
WHI	3	1150-1200	104	'When the monks of Holm Cultram were granted leave to erect a bloomer at Whinfell (Cumb) in the later twelfth century, they were also given a general right to take dead wood from the woods between Ennerdale and the Cocker Valley. (6-22) (6-22) In 1293-4 30s. was raised from sale of dead wood to two bloomeries, probably those recorded in 1290 at Buttermere and Hobcarton. By 1318 there were three 'woodland bloomeries' at Brackenthwaite: PRO, SC6/824/14,15,18.'
SET, DEA	3	1290-1438	108	'There was an eel fishery at Hewthwaite mill on the Derwent in 1290 ... (6-48), while in 1438 there were fisheries at Ullock mill, near Dean, ... (6-48) PRO, SC11/703, m.1; SC6/824/7; CRO, D/Lec/29/1, Setmurthy acct.'
BUT, DEA, LOW	3	1400-1600	108-111	'... eel-garths ... on the Cocker at Buttermere, on Park Beck at Loweswater [disused by 1438 – p.111], and on the Marron.(6-53).' (6-53) see book for detailed note. Seefishery map p.112.
WHI	3		117-118	Fulling mills. New mills Whinfell c.1282, Embleton early C14th, Brackenthwaite none in 1348 but two in 1437 and licence for a third, by 1437 Loweswater land by Mosedale Beck had been set aside for the

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				building of a second mill but at Whinfell second mill had fallen into disuse, Lorton on Whit Beck [tenters, actually two mills - dd] c.1482, High Lorton, corn mill converted to Fulling Mill, but in disrepair in 1478.	
BUT	ALL	1100-1900	138-143	Reconstructs the medieval township and discusses properties and landscape features to C19	
LOR	ALL	1100-1900	143-149	Reconstructs the medieval township and discusses properties and landscape features to C19	
SET	ALL	1100-1900	158-161	Reconstructs the medieval township and discusses properties and landscape features to C19	