

TODAY'S NEWS

Have I got old news for you?

Water Mills around Lochwinnoch

Written in 1866

Of these there were several in this parish at an early period, but the date of erection, of any of them is not known.



"The Old Mill of Glen"

"The Old Mill of Glen" is that at Millbank, about a mile to the west of Lochwinnoch. It was the mill which the Church Barony of Glen was for the most part suckened, and must have existed long, because the lands on which it stands have for centuries been called from it, "Millbank."

"The New Mill of Glen," or Calder Mill, was situated upon the east side Calder Water, and in the Glen of Calder, less than an a mile north of Lochwinnoch. To it the Muirland of Glen was suckened, as well as part of the lands lying

1908

The annual **Social and Dance** of West U. F. Church Choir was held in the Eagle Hall on Friday evening. About 20 couples sat down to tea, which was tastefully purveyed by the ladies committee. During the course of the social Miss J Russell, organist, was made the recipient of a Ladies Companion, comprising of a silver mounted brush, comb and hand-glass. Dancing engaged in to the merry strains of Mr. Walker's Band.

1923

In Lochwinnoch was **en fete** yesterday, the occasion being the fifth annual sports carnival on behalf of the **Infirmaries Fund**. As befitted to a town whose chief industry is cabinet making, the principal prizes were useful as well as handsome pieces of furniture. [Rangers win in the final of the five-a-side was very popular]

1865

Calderhaugh Cotton Mill for Sale. 20,00 spindles all in excellent condition. Power consists of a Water Wheel and a Steam Engine.

1899

The Mile and a Half **Scottish Skating Championship** was competed for at Lochwinnoch. There were about **6,000** people on the ice which was in capital condition. Tebbits [Kettering] won in a time of 5m 8.5s and received the £10 cup.

1893

Teams of carvers from Viewfield and Calder Cabinet Works met at Field Park, Lochwinnoch, on Friday night. Joe's eleven beat Hunter's somewhat easily by 6 goals to 2.

1886

On Tuesday, Allen Rothery, the sole partner of the **Lochwinnoch Spinning Company**, carrying on business as wool-spinners at Calder Glen Mills, Lochwinnoch was to have been examined in bankruptcy in the Paisley Sheriff Court, but he did not appear. It is understood that the bankrupt has fled from Justice, he being wanted by the police of Renfrewshire on a charge of forgery and uttering forged bills for fugitation. Should Rothery not appear, sentence of outlawry will be pronounced against him.

contiguous to it on the west side of the Calder Water, as Bridgend, Linthills, etc.

Auchengown or St. Bryde's Mill, is on the Lochwinnoch side of St. Bryde's Burn, and in the Barony of Sempill. The lands of the Lords Sempill would be suckened to it, as we presume, all those at least lying in its immediate neighbourhood, as the Baronies of Sempill, Corsford, and Corslet.



The New Mill of Auchengown is upon the Mere or Muirburn, at the eastern extremity the Barony Auchengown Stewart. The lands of this Barony were suckened to it, and it still exists as a mill, although, the sucken was sold a considerable time ago. The name New Mill would infer that there was an old mill of Auchengown somewhere, but the site of it is not known.

If the respective Baronies of Calderhaugh, Risk, Auchenbathie, and Belltrees, were suckered to any of these mills, or to any other, it is not certainly known; only the probability is, that they were served at some of these mills, and paid what is called the "outentowns multure," and other services.