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Walwyn's Castle

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- According to Roger of Wendover, in the year 1087 certain early arch-
- aeologists discovered "near the sea coast in the province of Wales
- called Ross, a tomb measuring 14 feet in length, which was that of
- Walwen (Gawaine) who was the son of the sister of the great British
- King Arthur, for he reigned in that part of Britain which till now
- is called WALWEITH". This large rath is divided into two wards. The
- lower and western one, nearly circular; north to south 190 feet;
- east to west 186 feet. The eastern portion, which seems to have been
- a kind of citadel. North to south 200 feet; east to west varies from
- 105 to 66, narrowing towards the north. It is separated from the
- western portion by a steep embankment running north and south. To
- the east and south-west there are steep declivities; on the south
- a deep foss beyond which is a high vallum. At the south-east angle
- of outer wall is a sort of outwork. Between the camp and churchyard
- leading to the Rectory is a cave filled with earth and brambles.