The Rath 55 No. 1

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See Arch. Camb. III, x, 12 and 35; V, xv, 268. This was a place of great strength, probably a later work; it is known in the district as THE RATH PAR EXCELLENCE. The outer ring, which was entered on the north, is from north to south 117 yards; from east to west 64 yards; the bank is inside about 14 feet high; outside about 35 feet on the south; it is slightly lower on the north. The inner ring is on the north, on which side is the entrance. There is a ditch 12 feet deep between the rings. The inner bank is 21 feet high on this side, and within about 12 feet. The inner ring is inside from north to south 53 yards and from east to west 36 yards; the bank, except towards the outer ring, is outside about 30 feet high. On the west can be seen traces of an outer rampart, which went all round to the deep declivity on the east and partly on the south; it overlapped at the entrance on the north. The ground falls away from the camp on all sides. See Archaeological Journal, vol. XXII, p. 81, for a description of various articles found at the Rath by the late Mr. William Owen of Withybush, adn presented by him through the Institute to the British Museum.