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Tumulus and Cromlech

Samuel Lewis, in his Topographical Dictionary of Wales, 1842, states "Near the parsonage house are the remains of a cromlech, which has been thrown down, and in its vicinity is a tumulus, etc." The compiler of a "Classified List of the Most Remarkable Objects of Antiquity in Pembrokeshire" who wrote for the 6th edition of Mason's Tenby Guide and whose paper is reprinted in the 7th edition, localises this ruined cromlech more carefully. "At Begelly in a field by the side of the Pembroke road, and nearly in front of the Rectory are the remains of another (cromlech) with one of the broad flat tumuli adjoining, over the crown of which a hedge has been planted". Peradventure Lewis and the unknown compiler were struck with the extreme scarcity of objects interesting to archaeologists in the district between Tenby and Narberth, and on that account drew attention to these stones which once formed a cromlech. They are still lying prostrate in a row, five in number, one 7 feet long; two 5 feet; three 4 feet; four and five, too much buried for measurement.