

Broadened in 1911.

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Cardigan

Bridge

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Some portions of the ancient bridge may still be recognised, but by far the greater part has been rebuilt and erected. The buttress shelters are certainly either original or original work restored. In January 1645, Col. Gerard, the Royalist, besieged Lieut. Col. Powell in Cardigan Castle, and broke down the bridge. But Col. Laugharne coming to the aid of the beleaguered Castle struck the Royalists in the rear, killed two hundred, took four pieces of brass ordnance, 600 arms, and 150 prisoners, among whom was "a Doctor, whom, because I know very well, I cannot but name, Doctor Jeremy Taylor, a spruce neat formalist, a very gingerbread Idol, an Arminian in print."