

**ANTIQUARIAN TO SIGHTSEER: A Bibliographical Study of the Literature  
inspired by the topography and people of an area of 10 miles around  
Ingleton.**

**AUTHOR SURNAME:**  **TITLE:**

**FIRST NAMES:**

**DATES OF BIRTH AND DEATH:**

**BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:**

Born in Bradford of an old West Riding and Westmorland family. A keen Rambler, he actively collected his local material, not relying on archival resources to the extent of previous antiquaries, helped by development of postal communication. Lived most of his life at Bingley. Moved from industrial background to journalism. Used for some local contributions the pseudonym Jonnie Gray. Embodied the true "antiquarian spirit"

**TITLE:**

The Antiquities of Craven and the North-West Yorkshire Highlands. Being a complete account of the History, Scenery and Antiquities of that romantic district.

**PLACE OF PUBLICATION:**

**PUBLISHER:**

**EDITION:**   **DATE OF PUBLICATION**

**SIZE:**

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**TEXT:**

Pp.470 (i) Large Paper Edition. (Best edition). Stated aim in Preface = to supplement the writings of Whitaker but also to provide "in a chatty and entertaining manner, an account of everything of interest". Criticised for "purple" passages.

**PLATES:**

Many, of considerable interest, scattered throughout text and full page illustrations.

Engraved frontispiece in LP edition only

**MAPS:**

Folded map from OS

**LOCATION:**

**BINDING:**

LP.- blue cloth boards, quarter roan, gilt.

**NOTES:**

Chapter xxiii, pp.257 – 263. Covers Kingsdale.

“...the cold, lone regions of eternal night, - the realm of cavernous wonders”

“This Kingsdale is a wild, solitary valley with only a couple of houses in it,....”

Detailed account of Rowten Pot, “ the explorer would do well to go without stockings...”

“As Yordas Cave, however, is the gem of the dale, the tourist should instruct the guide at Braida Garth.....”

There are 13 constructed steps into the cave. The guide mounts a rock, “holding up a bevy of candles at the end of a fifteen-foot pole, reveals something of its grand dimensions”.

He quotes from Housman (1812) of the story of the lunatic who spent a week here “about fifty years ago” (inscription?) and the tale of the pregnant woman.

Slight reference to the “Apron-full of Stones”, which he assumes is probably a Daish relic. ....”the Danes undoubtedly occupied this valley”, apart from the name of Braida Garth and other local topographical names has no evidence to support this assumption.