

innumerable other objects, memorials of British, Roman, Saxon, and later times.

At some epoch before the age of Cartismandua, we may believe that a mound was fortified by the Britons, near the place where the little river Foss flows into the Ouse. This the name and peculiarity of the place seem to indicate, whether we derive Eburacum from Aberach, "the mound by the confluence," or Evrach, "the mound by the Eure."

Clifford's Tower stands on what may be regarded as the most conspicuous part of this early fortification. It was moated round or possibly insulated by a tidal channel communicating from the Ouse to the Foss, in a period when canoes scooped out of oak-trees navigated the Yorkshire rivers (see one in the Museum). A mound, now called Bail Hill (Ballium?), stands on the bank of the Ouse opposite to Clifford's Tower.

Wellbeloved, reasoning on all the data collected by himself and previous writers, concludes that "the second campaign of Agricola, which occupied the greater part of the year 79, was most probably the era of the foundation of Roman York." It became the head-quarters of the Sixth Legion at a very early period after the arrival of those soldiers from Germany, by the command of Hadrian in 117; for Claudius Ptolemy, the first author who names the city (his work is usually supposed to be of the date A.D. 138, but *may* have been earlier), writes "Legio sexta victrix" in connexion with it. There is no inscription to prove the date of the Roman walls; perhaps they were erected when Eburacum became the head-quarters of the legion, in the time of Hadrian (about A.D. 120).

The walls include a quadrangular space about 1610 feet from east to west, and 1412 feet from north to south. The western wall is nearly parallel to the river Ouse; the northern and eastern walls ran not far from the city wall now standing. The camp was apparently of the Polybian form, traversed by roads from Isurium and Calcaria, the former entering nearly where Bootham Bar now stands, the latter crossing the river by the Mansion