# James Bremner Monument, Wick

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The monument was erected in 1903 at the South Head, Wick, and overlooks Wick harbour that **James Bremner** protected with one of his many breakwaters.



Wick Harbour, the Bremner breakwater as viewed from the monument.

#### North tablet:

"Fellow Caithnessmen and kinsfolk at home and abroad raised this memorial in 1903 to the resourceful, fearless and beneficent genius of James Bremner, C.E., Naval Architect & Harbour Builder."





# West tablet:

"Born at Keiss, on Sinclair's Bay in 1784, his still active an benevolent life closed very suddenly, three months after the death of his dearly loved wife in 1856, at his <u>home in Pulteneytown</u>. (Deut. xxxi, 6)"

Beneath the tablet is a bronze laurel wreath with the inscription – "James Bremner, C.E. By the last survivor of his family, Mrs. Sarah Bremner Wood."

South tablet: (blank)

# East tablet:

"Wick Harbour is sheltered by one of 18 yet efficient breakwaters constructed on these Northern Coasts by his skill. He saved scores of wrecked mariners' lives at the risk of his own. He refloated 236 stranded or sunken vessels, including the largest ship of his day, the Great Britain."

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