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TOMINTOUL CROFT

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Probably early to mid 19th century. 3-bay, single-storey with stair to roofspace, rectangular-plan gabled crofting cottage with lower timber byre adjoining to W. Prominently located on high ground to S of Braemar village and remarkable for its largely intact interior. Limewashed drystone rubble with lime pointing. N (entrance) elevation with timber lean-to porch outshot breaking eaves to centre, flanked by window openings. Roofspace window to W gable. Corrugated-iron roofing with remnants of heather thatch surviving beneath.

INTERIOR: largely unaltered comprising two rooms to ground with central core comprising stair flanked by box beds and cupboards with timber panelled doors. Plastered to ground with timber-lined walls and ceilings to rooms within roofspace. Timber hanging-lum to E gable end with timber shelf at base of cowel; raised, granite open hearth with cast-iron fireback with rose motif. Remnants of further fireplace to W gable end. Stair and upper level lined with 19th century newspapers and magazines.

9-pane glazing to timber sash and case windows. Coped end-ridge stacks.

REFERENCES: 1st and 2nd Edition Ordnance Survey Maps (1869 and 1902). A Fenton and B Walker, *The Rural Architecture of Scotland* (1981). Robert J Naismith, *Buildings Of The Scottish Countryside* (1985).

NOTES: The crofting cottage at Tomintoul is a rare survival of a once prolific building type, common throughout the length and breadth of the Scottish countryside, in the vernacular tradition. Occupying a relatively isolated position on high ground, it is particularly remarkable for its well preserved and largely unaltered internal layout with box beds and stair forming the central core, and an open hearth with timber hanging lum, all of which set it apart as a rare example of its type in the North East of Scotland. The natural evolution of raising the fireplace and making it smaller is part of the development of the building type. Many of the 19th and 20th century printed paper wall coverings, a convenient way to prevent insects falling from the thatch, survive in remarkably good condition. The box beds are comparable to those at Fleuchats, Glen Conrie and West
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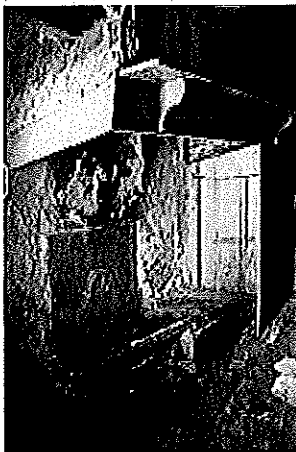


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