SCOTLAND.

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CHIEF TOWNS.

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3. Seaports.—The principal ports, and places of resort for shipping, are Glasgow, Greenock, Port-Glasgow, Ayr, Lamlash, Loch Ryau, and Campbelltown, on the Frith of Clyde; Musselburgh, Leith, Kinghorn, and Dysart, on the Frith of Forth; on the rest of the eastern coast, Dunbar, Dundee, Perth, Aberbrothick or Arbroath, Montrose, Aberdeen, Peterhead, Inverness, Cromarty, and Dornoch; on the northern coast, Thurso; and on the western, Portpatrick.

4. Capes.—Cape Wrath, Dunnet Head, Duncansby Head, Kinnaird's Head, Buchan Ness, Fifo Ness, St. Abb's Head, Burrow Head, Mull of Galloway, Mull of Cantire, Ardnamurchan Point, &c.

5. Mountains.—The surface of Scotland is extremely varied, and two thirds of it are mountainous. The Grampian chain, extending from Dumbarton nearly to Aberdeen, forms part of the south-eastern boundary of the Highlands. Ben Nevis, near Fort William, is higher than any other mountain in Great