

The Caire and Bulmer partnership

Following the discovery of Fairy Cave, the Cunninghame Progressive Association decided to publish a guidebook for visitors to the caves. This was written and edited by Frank Whitcombe; Norman J Caire, then one of the leading Victorian photographers was engaged to provide photographs but Bulmer was involved as an assistant to Caire; but in due course, all the resulting photographs were jointly credited to both.

In addition to their use in the Guide, at least a number were published as real photo postcards on an RP2 back. Each had the words 'Photo by Caire & /Bulmer. Copyright reg.'

Titania's Bower, Fairy Cave, Buchan H
The New Chamber, Fairy Cave, Buchan H
The Great Mushroom Stalactite, Fairy Cave H
Fairies Grotto, Fairy Cave, Buchan H
Mammoth Stalactites, Fairy Cave, Buchan V [ms. May 1908]

On simple divided back:

The New Chamber, Fairy Cave, Buchan H
Entrance to Fairy Cave, Buchan H