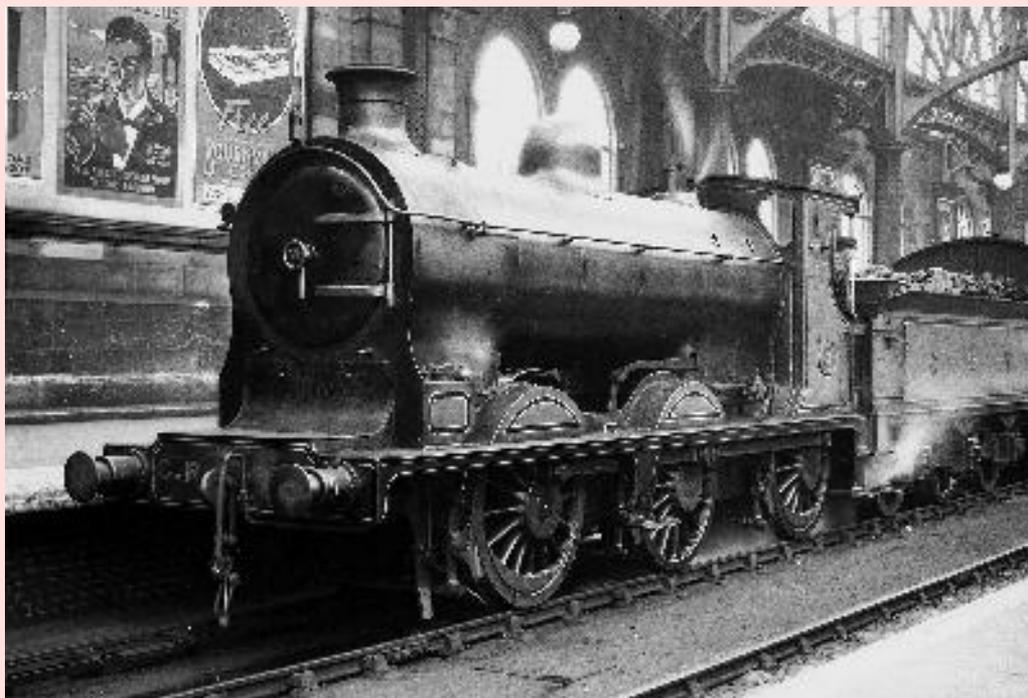


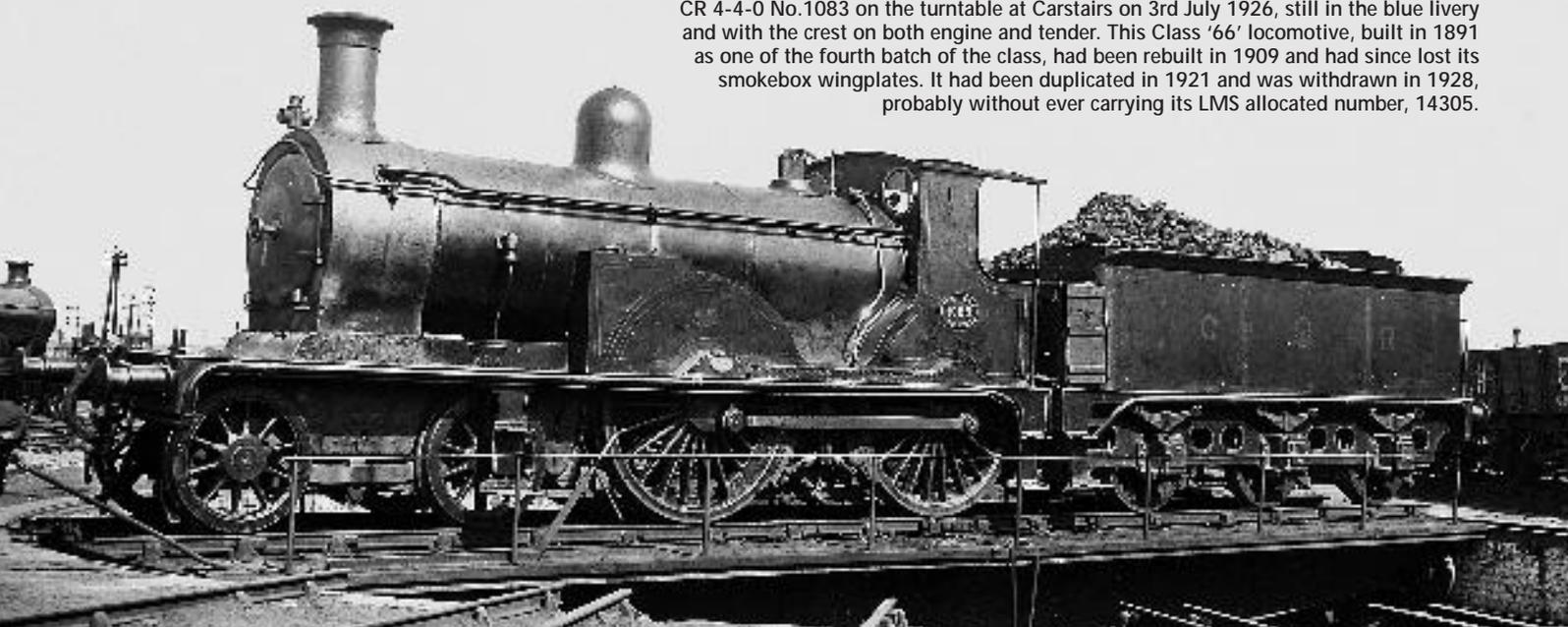
A CALEDONIAN THREESOME

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The previous selection (in Backtrack Vol.20 No.12) featured locomotives photographed at Perth, one of the regular locations favoured by Ranald Stephen and relatively close to his early home, the manse at Inverkeithing. This selection of Caledonian Railway locomotive photographs was taken further afield.



CR 4-4-0 No.1083 on the turntable at Carstairs on 3rd July 1926, still in the blue livery and with the crest on both engine and tender. This Class '66' locomotive, built in 1891 as one of the fourth batch of the class, had been rebuilt in 1909 and had since lost its smokebox wingplates. It had been duplicated in 1921 and was withdrawn in 1928, probably without ever carrying its LMS allocated number, 14305.



TOP: CR 0-6-0 No.32 at Platform 13 of Glasgow Central station with a Gourcock train, as shown by the semaphore code in front of the chimney. A passenger/goods locomotive in the blue livery, it is one of four engines built in 1912 as a superheated development of the '812'/'652' Classes, with the boiler pitched 6in higher. Note the spare locomotive lamps on their storage brackets and the coach immediately behind the locomotive without white upper panels, which was a feature of some suburban and workers' train coaching stock up to the grouping.

RIGHT: CR 4-6-0 No.195 at Oban shed, the third design of 'Oban Bogie', following McIntosh's Class '55' and Brittain's '179' Class. These were the last locomotives built before grouping and were delivered by the NB Locomotive Co. in December 1922. The eight locomotives were withdrawn between 1939 and 1945, a relatively short life compared with their predecessors the Class '55', the last of which was withdrawn in 1937 after 32 years of service.

