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Summary

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Many Scandinavian place-names in *-bro* contain the name of a river or stream as their first element. One such name is probably the farm name *Kesebro* (*kesabro* 1381) in Lerbo parish, Södermanland. *Kese-* may be assumed to be related to the Scandinavian word stem *\*keis-* ‘to bend’. The first element could conceivably refer to an elevation near the bridge that has given its name to the settlement, but the most likely explanation is that *Kese-* contains an old name for the river Fimtaån, meaning ‘the winding river, the bent river’ or the like.