

## OF THE SOUTH COAST

we arrive at Winchester for tea, and, if time permits, a peep at the Cathedral which, with the exception of St. Peter's of Rome, is the largest Church in the world, and its Gothic Nave the longest in Europe. Nearby is Bishop Wolsey's Castle, and near the West Gate is the King's Castle Ruin. The West Gate, long used as a prison, is now a free museum. After a run of approximately 30 miles we arrive at Southsea in time for dinner at the Queen's Hotel, our headquarters for two nights. After dinner tourists will find much to entertain them in this fashionable seaside resort. The Promenade has a special appeal of its own, liners, warships and numerous other craft are invariably to be seen. The Isle of Wight can be seen in the distance.

**TUESDAY**—After breakfast we depart on a particularly pleasant excursion, this time by steamer to the Isle of Wight, which is included in the tour. A voyage of approximately 90 minutes brings us to Ryde. The Pier and Promenade, bustling with life and colour, gives us a cheery welcome to the Island. Lunch is served at the Royal Esplanade Hotel, and the afternoon is free for exploration, after which, we return again to Southsea for dinner and the night.

**WEDNESDAY**—To-day it is farewell to Southsea. At 9.30 a.m. we take the way via Chichester and Arundel, the historic seat of the Duke of Norfolk, along the coast road from Worthing to Brighton. Lunch is arranged here, and then we have three glorious hours exploring the many attractions of this thriving

seaside resort. The promenade stretching to Hove abounds with life and colour, and a visit to the Aquarium should be made if possible. Then we go on via the coastal road to Newhaven and Eastbourne, where a short stop is made for tea. Then again we enter our coach and journey further along the coastal road to Bexhill and St. Leonards where we dine and stay the night at the Adelphi Hotel. After dinner we find much to please the eye and amuse us.

**THURSDAY**—Leaving St. Leonards at 9.30 a.m. we go via Hastings, Rye, New Romney and Hythe to Folkestone, where we have lunch. Folkestone in its summer dress is particularly alluring. Whilst we cannot spend much time, we must look at the Esplanade, lovely flower beds and exquisite gardens. Our tour then takes us on to Dover. A short halt enables us to see something of the attractiveness of this historic town. Via Ramsgate and Margate we go next on our way to Canterbury; here after dinner at the Fountain Hotel where we are also to spend the night, many of us will take a stroll through the City.

**FRIDAY**—A morning in the world's most famous Cathedral City, with the Cathedral and its attendant Close to be thoroughly explored, provides a fitting climax to our tour. We return to the Fountain Hotel for lunch, and all too soon are on our way back to Norwich via Faversham, Chatham, Gravesend, Tilbury, Chelmsford and Saffron Walden, thence to Cambridge, reached at approximately 6.0 p.m. and on to Norwich, 8.30 p.m.