

by IAN TAYLOR

KINGSTON

by LOUISE ANSTEY, aged 10

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een reserved.
dances, hiring a
for £21. and when
llation cost

Kingston is where it's best to be,
Here you will feel wild and free;
Children run about and play,
And toss and roll in soft sweet hay.
Kingston Church and Bardsleys Farm,
Kingston Shop and old flint Barn.

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1939 forebode
for the windows;
ated the Gipps family
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We have pretty country lanes,
Not like towns with lorries and cranes.
As the cockerel crows in the morn;
I look out of the window onto fields of corn.

when the Whitlows
n during the war,
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brought a welcome
. to replace the

ANCIENT FINDS

by CHARLES FAGG

n 1959, the Young
e Men's Club in 1965.
started hiring the
re paid £26. 18s. 9d.

A spot of deep summer ploughing at Westwood Farm on August 7th. 1972 revealed three black 'smears' on the tops of the turned furrows, one of which contained bits of pottery as well as the more usual ashes. A phone call to Jim Bradshaw of the Ashford Archaeological Society produced instant action, and a quick look the following evening was followed on the 9th. by a mini invasion of folks armed with tools of their trade. A very careful inspection of a square metre around the little bits of pot turned up a few more pieces of the same type and, much to the joy of the lady who found it, an almost perfect flint arrow-head about 1½" long and half that width, most beautifully worked all over. This was stated to be of a type used by the Beaker People who arrived here about 2,000 B.C. A good start !

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roof cost £655,
tage tenant, Mrs. File,

Further digging down to the unmoved soil at the bottom of the furrow proved that our navigation was a bit out- the broken pots were right in one corner ! More digging soon uncovered the crushed remains of two fairly large pots of the type made by the Belgic People between 70 B.C. and 50 A.D. These were of black pottery and appeared to be reasonably complete, although very broken, probably by the weight of tractors only inches above. Photos and on-the-spot drawings were taken and the pieces then carefully removed to be taken away for washing and maybe fitting together. The other two sites were not nearly so exciting, being merely deep and ancient hearths, which despite any conclusive evidence Jim felt were at least as old as the pottery, probably older. As the field also yielded its usual mass of worked flint tools, scrapers etc., the whole group went away content with an interesting, and to us local yokels, exciting evening. We now await with interest the return of the 'finds' which is promised after inspection is completed.

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RIVERSIDE HOUSE FOR SALE

KENTISH GAZETTE, 24. 12. 1904

ZETTE, 3.9.1904

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first discovered
who immediately
summoned to the spot.
stacks were ablaze
the vicinity.
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At the Red Lion Inn, Bridge last Tuesday, Mr. Edward I. Gardener offered for sale by auction 'Riverside House' situated at Bridge. The property was submitted for sale by order of the mortgagees and the upset price was £380. There was however no bid ! The property may now be sold privately.

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Kingstone, but it
d. By this time, of
The total corn crop
20 acres of other
the stacks were

The large field surrounded by the B2065, Frog Lane, and Rose Lane at Bishopsbourne is known as "Forty Acres".