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FOREWORD

No matter where the motorist may be in England, he can be certain of finding within a small radius places which, but for the possession of a car, would probably remain to him for ever mere names upon a map. When one has become the owner of a car the country takes on a new meaning. Charming little villages away from the high road, preserving those characteristics which are the priceless legacy of the centuries, delightful scenes of water, wood and meadow, roadside curiosities enshrining the quaint conceits of past generations, impressive memorials of races which occupied the land before the dawn of history, all become accessible at will to the possessor of a car. Every part of England has its well-defined characteristics, and the inhabitants of the Wigan district are fortunate in having within easy reach an area which does not suffer by comparison with any.

There are few motorists who would claim to have exhausted all the possibilities of discovering something new within the radius of a day's out-and-home run. For those who have just become car-owners it is certain there are scores of places worth seeing within a radius of fifty miles with which they are unacquainted. And what better way of finding the true road to pleasure could the wit of man have devised than the speedy run on the highway, the more leisurely going on the country by-way, the meal at the wayside inn, the chat with the cheery landlord, a look round the grey old village church, and the return home through the twilight?

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MOTOR RUNS ROUND WIGAN

Route No. 1, visiting Upholland, Ashurst Hill, Ormskirk, Southport, Burscough, and Parbold (41 miles).

Forward	Reverse
Miles from Wigan	41

The nearest way to Southport is by Upholland, Skelmersdale and Ormskirk, but travelling on this road suffers from stone setts and much traffic; slightly longer, but quite as fast and more pleasant, is the route by Standish, Parbold, Burscough and Scarisbrick. The latter road should be chosen when Southport is the sole objective.

Leave by Wallgate and take right at fork by the "Queen's Head" to Ormskirk Road, A577; through Lamberhead Green.

4 Upholland	37
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Interesting church with adjoining remnants of a 12th-cent. priory. The main road turns right beyond the church; a nearer way is found by turning sharp left, second turn, and then to right up Alma Hill. Keep right at the top and down to the "Victoria" at the cross-roads. From this point, the main road, A577, goes left through Skelmersdale to Ormskirk; we cross over and ascend to Ashurst Hill. This road runs across the tableland and the views from the high points of the hill are worth coming this way for.

Descending Ashurst Hill on the north-western side, we come to cross-roads with a church and the grounds of the old Ashurst Hall on right. The right-hand road connects to Parbold and provides a link between the two Southport routes. Our way is straight on to next cross-road, left turn there and then forward for 3 miles to Westheath, where we return to the main road, A577, and so come to

12 Ormskirk	29
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Ancient market town with an interesting church, whose two towers are an uncommon feature.

Straight on at cross-roads in centre and later over the by-pass, then straightforward main road, A570, through Scarisbrick.

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Forward

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20 Southport

21

Forward along Scarisbrick New Road and Eastbank Street to the famed Lord Street. The Art Gallery is close to the corner. The way to the Esplanade, Marine Lake, Pier, etc., is straight on over Lord Street.

Returning same way out of Southport, follow A570 to Scarisbrick and turn left about 3 furlongs past the church, to the road numbered B5242.



Cyril Foley, Photo

PARISH CHURCH AND CENOTAPH, WIGAN

28½ Burscough

12½

The main road (A59) is joined at the beginning of this village and nearly opposite is a lane leading to the few remains of Burscough Priory, not of much interest. We follow A59 through the village and turn right at the end to B5239. At 3 miles from the turn is Newburgh where turn left in the village and shortly cross the river Douglas.

33 Parbold

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Village chiefly on left in a pleasing district below Harrock Hill and overlooking the Douglas Valley. We continue by Appley Moor and Shevington Moor to Standish where we join A49 and follow it back to

41 Wigan.

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Route No. 2, visiting Preston, Longridge, and Ribchester (55 miles).

Forward	Reverse
Miles from Wigan	55
<p>Leave by Standishgate and Wigan Lane or Mesnes Road. A49 is followed, keeping left at Boars Head, through Standish, Coppull Moor, Charnock Richard and Euxton to Bamber Bridge. Here we join A6, the trunk road from London, and continue by this road through Walton-le-Dale into</p>	
17	38
<p>Preston</p> <p>Historic town, a gay and fashionable place in the early 18th century, where the "gentry resorted for balls, assemblies, etc., in the same manner as at York." Tucked away in odd corners are old residences, but most of Preston has been rebuilt within the last hundred years.</p> <p>Entering by Walton Bridge and London Road, we come to Stanley Street and pass the beginning of New Hall Lane (A59). The continuation of Stanley Street is Church Street which leads to the Market Square where the impressive group of public buildings is situated, including the Harris Art Gallery. Our route turns right from the end of Stanley Street to Ribbleson Lane, B6243. Good road through Ribbleson and past Grimsargh Station (level crossing); approaching Longridge, take right at fork by the reservoir and left at next fork into</p>	
24	31
<p>Longridge</p> <p>Large village with an unusual war memorial, a replica of the grotto at Lourdes. Fine bracing country.</p> <p>$4\frac{1}{2}$ miles north of Longridge is Chipping, a secluded village below the fells, from which Parlick Pike (1,416 ft.) can be conveniently reached. A passable road runs from the village to within half a mile of the summit and the climb is not too arduous. Very fine views from the top.</p> <p>The isolated hill-range, Longridge Fell, rises from the village. The road ascending the hill forks about half a mile from Longridge, the left arm going over the viewpoint called Jeffrey Hill, while the right arm runs across the fell on the southern slope to Higher Hodder Bridge and joins the road from Whitewell to Whalley (see Route 4). A road connects Jeffrey Hill with Chipping and another goes via White Cross to Ribchester (see below), both offering interesting variations to the present route.</p> <p>Leave Longridge by the Ribchester road past Dilworth House and bear right at fork in 6 furlongs.</p>	
28	27
<p>Ribchester</p> <p>The village stands on the site of Roman <i>Bremetennacum</i>, of which excavations have revealed foundations of walls,</p>	

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gates, etc. Many "finds" have been made of which the greater part is preserved in the local museum.

Close to Ribchester is Stydd with a Norman church, anciently attached to an establishment of the Knights Hospitallers.

Continuing eastwards to Ribchester Bridge, we cross the river Lune and turn right.



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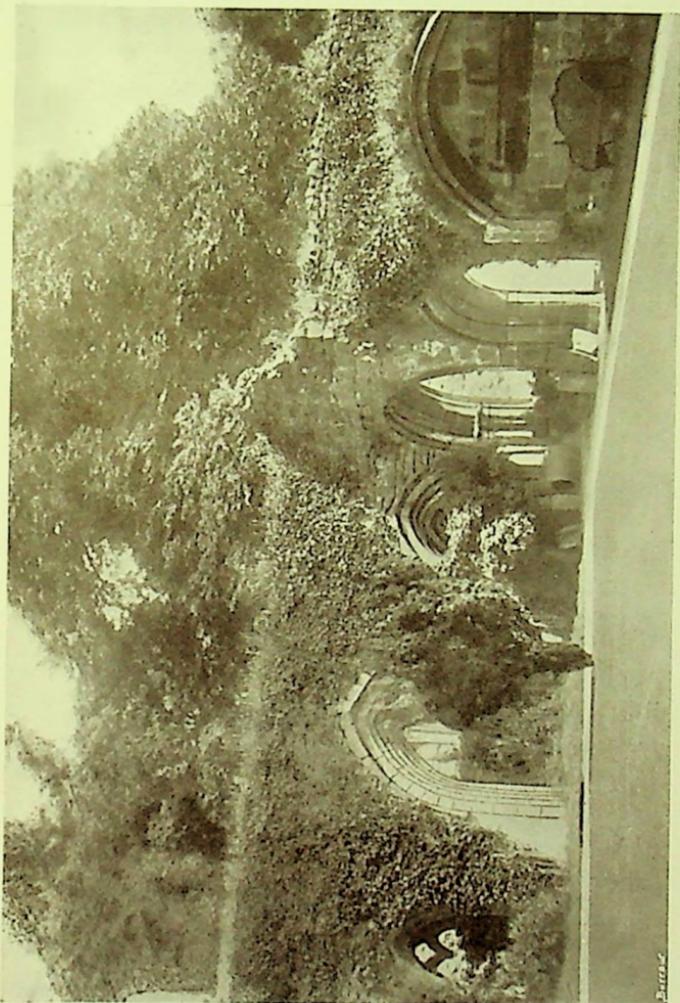
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| 30½ | Clayton-le-Dale | 24½ |
| | At the cross-roads, by the house called "The Oaks," we turn right and proceed by A59, a fine road, through Osbaldeston, Mellor Brook and Myerscough. The Blackburn-Preston road is joined at the "Five Barred Gate" inn, but we avoid Preston by taking next road on left to | |
| 39 | Walton-le-Dale | 16 |
| | Left turn here and then to right, following A6 to Bamber Bridge where we keep straight on to A49 and return as outward route to | |
| 55 | Wigan. | |

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Route No. 3, visiting Fylde District, Lytham St. Annes, Blackpool, and Fleetwood (86 miles).

Forward	Reverse
Miles from Wigan	86
<p>Leave by Standishgate and Mesnes Road or Wigan Lane and follow A49 as preceding route towards Preston. At 12½ miles from Wigan turn left to A582 for Tardy Gate and</p>	
16½ Penwortham	69½
<p>Turn right on reaching Liverpool Road and cross the Ribble into Preston. The centre of the town is avoided by turning left after crossing the bridge and going on along Strand Road and West Strand to Blackpool Road. At the A.A. telephone box, the road divides. A583 turns right and goes direct to Blackpool via Kirkham in 13 miles, making distance from Wigan to Blackpool 34 miles. A584 goes straight on, a much improved road with a by-pass round the village of Freckleton.</p>	
28½ Lytham (Pier)	57½
<p>What amounts to a marine drive extends from this point all the way to Fleetwood, a distance of nearly 20 miles. It is a good three miles to St. Anne's Pier and beyond St. Anne's the coast road has been extended to meet the Blackpool Promenade at the South Shore end.</p>	
36 Blackpool (Central Pier)	50
<p>Continuing along the front past the Tower and North Pier, Queen's Drive takes us to North Shore. Fine new road through Cleveleys to</p>	
46 Fleetwood	40
<p>Fishing and shipping are valuable adjuncts here to the business of entertaining holiday-makers. Fine sands and harbour, interesting fish-markets.</p> <p>Returning from Fleetwood, we follow A585, a winding but well signposted road.</p>	
61 Kirkham	25
<p>The Blackpool Road, A583, is joined here and followed to Ashton-on-Ribble, thence as outward route to Penwortham, Euxton and</p>	
86 Wigan.	





WHALLEY ABBEY

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Route No. 4, visiting Preston, Lancaster (Morecambe, Heysham), Forest of Bowland, and Whalley (93 miles).

Forward	Reverse
Miles from Wigan	93
As Route 2 by A49 to Bamber Bridge, then by A6 into	

17 Preston (see page 14)	76
From Stanley Street continue through Park Road and go straight on to Garstang Road.	

The main road to Lancaster is A6, one of the great trunk roads and very good indeed with no gradients worth mentioning. The old market town of **Garstang**, nearly midway—10 miles from Preston and 11 miles from Lancaster—is avoided by the by-pass which bears left a mile past Brock Station and adds about half a mile to the distance by the old road.

If it is not desired to go as far as Lancaster, this route may be shortened by nearly eight miles without sacrificing its touring interest. Three miles past the A.A. telephone box at Garstang cross-roads is the "Old Holly" inn and about half a mile farther on a road bears right from the main road and runs close to the railway for a mile, then crosses under the line. Half a mile after this railway bridge turn right for **Dolphinholme** and continue up the Wyre Valley and over the hill to **Abbeystead** (see page 19) and the Bowland Forest road.

Following A6, we enter Lancaster along Greaves Road and South Road and cross the canal.

38 Lancaster	55
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Roman *castrum*, Saxon stronghold, Norman castle. John of Gaunt, son of Edward III, married Blanche, heiress of Henry, Duke of Lancaster, and in her right became Earl of Lancaster in 1361. He was raised to the dukedom the following year and from his time Lancashire remained a duchy while the title, through his son, Henry IV, passed as a hereditary one to the kings of England. A statue (modern) of John stands over the gatehouse of the castle which is nowadays in use as assize court, and open to the public. The Storey Institute Museum and the fine 15th-century St. Mary's church are situated close to the castle.

Morecambe, 4 miles, and **Heysham**, 7 miles, are reached by a good road, turning off from A6 on the north side of the river Lune.

From Dalton Square leave by Nelson Street and East Road. Bear right at the Grammar School to Wyresdale Road. Our route crosses **Bowland Forest** and has good surface most of the way, but there are some 1 in 10

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Reverse

gradients and it is not a fast road owing to several bad turns and gates at four points. **Conder Bridge** is reached in 2½ miles after a steep and winding descent and the first gate is on the next hill. Take left at fork (right goes to **Abbeystead**) on the descent at 5½ miles and be prepared for another gate.

45 **Lee Bridge** 48

Romantic scenery with the high fells rising on all sides except to south-west where the river **Wyre**, after feeding a reservoir at **Abbeystead**, flows through the wooded valley to **Garstang** and **Fleetwood**. The road on right past **Lee Bridge** is the one mentioned above through **Dolphinholme**.

Three miles farther on begins the rise to the **Trough of Bowland**, a grim defile or pass about two miles long. On the descent we note the fine views and then have to give attention to an awkward bit of road near **Sykes**, after which there are two more gates. At 7½ miles from **Lee Bridge** our road forks, left goes to **Slaidburn**, take right here and in another 1½ miles turn left.

54½ **Whitewell** 38½

Here is the first hotel or inn since **Lancaster**.

This route may be combined with **Route 2** from this point by following the road down the river **Hodder** to **Longridge**, distance 8½ miles.

Turn left and climb the hill; avoid first turn on left in 1½ miles and take the second turn on that side. The road runs on the hillside for a while, then descends through **Bashall Eaves**; below the village keep right at fork. The cross-roads, 6 furlongs farther on, is the point where the **Longridge Fell** road (see **Route 2**) goes to right over **Higher Hodder Bridge**.

Forward through **Great Mitton** (interesting church) and across the river **Ribble**; cross railway at **Whalley Station** and turn right into

64 **Whalley** 29

Remains of the 12th-century **Cistercian Abbey** are accessible here on payment of a small charge. Parts of the monastic buildings have been acquired for a **R.C. church**. **Whalley parish church** should be visited to see the carved misereres.

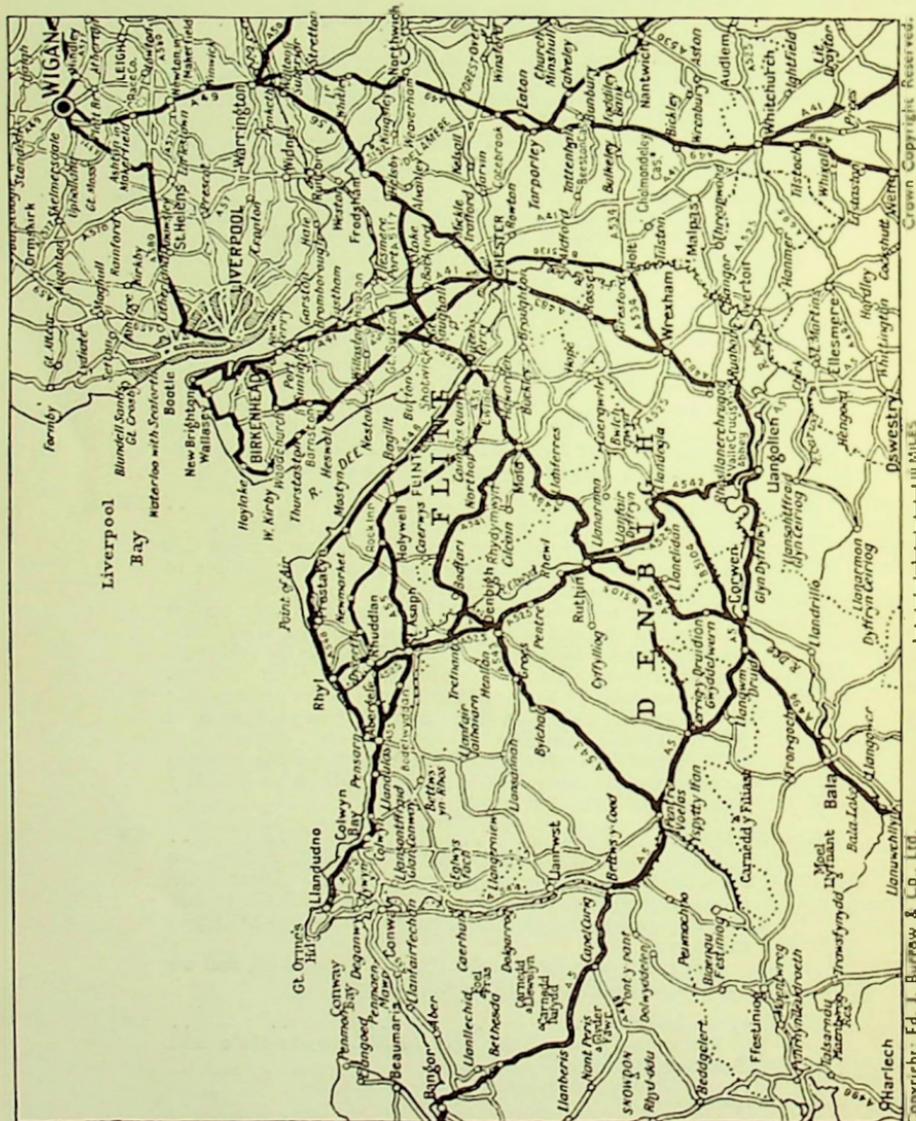
Our route now follows the **Preston Road, A59**, and we avoid the roads on left to **Blackburn**.

68½ **Clayton-le-Dale** 24½

Return as **Route 2** by way of **Walton-le-Dale** and **Bamber Bridge**.

93 **Wigan**.

SOUTH FROM WIGAN

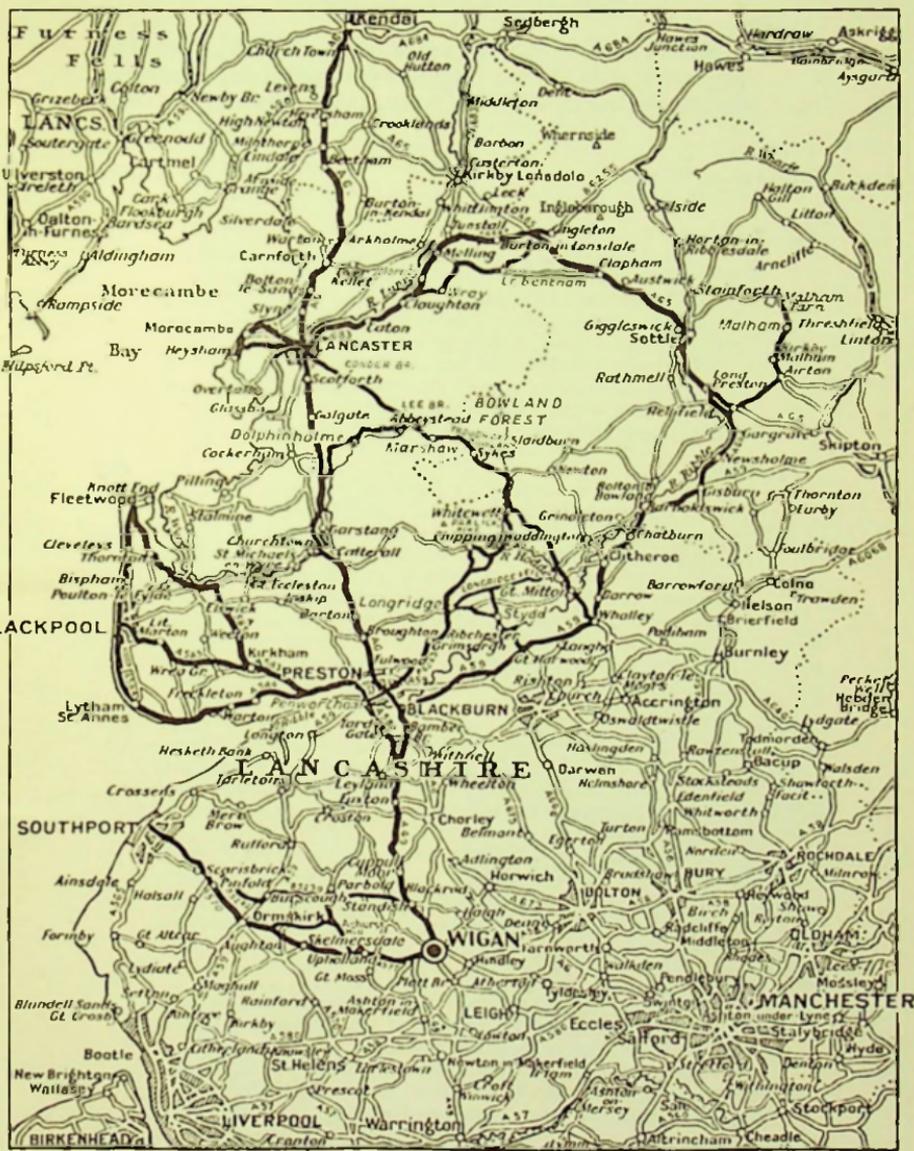


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Route No. 5, visiting Lancaster, Crook of Lune, Hornby, Ingleton, Clapham, Giggleswick, Settle, Malham Cove, Gisburn, Clitheroe, and Whalley (119 miles).

Forward	Reverse
Miles from Wigan 119
As Route 4 to	

38 Lancaster (see page 18) 81

From South Road turn right and go through Thurnham Road to Dalton Square, keep forward and left along Great John Street and Rosemary Lane, then right turn into North Road and out through Parliament Street and Kingsway to Caton Road, A683, up the Lune Valley.

The river Lune is tidal up to a mile above Lancaster and from that point the river and valley scenery improves greatly. At 4 miles we reach the "Crook of Lune," a sharp bend with charmingly wooded banks.

42½ Caton 76½

The river is some way off from the village but is close to the road again in another mile. At Cloughton note the picturesque Hall on right. One mile farther on (5½ from Lancaster) is a fork where the road to right provides a quiet and pleasant alternative by way of Wray (picturesque Roeburn Valley), Wennington, Lower Bentham Toll Bar (cars 1/-) and Lower Bentham to Ingleton or direct to Clapham (see page 23).

Following A683 straight on, we cross the railway and the river Wenning into

47 Hornby 72

The castle is a private residence and not shown. Keep right at fork after the village. Three furlongs farther on, to left of the road, is the tree-covered castle-mound and moat called Castlestede. Forward through old-world Mellings and past the station.

At 3¼ miles from Hornby we cross the river Greta. A683 turns left for Kirkby Lonsdale, our route turns right to A687 and goes through Cantsfield and Burton-in-Lonsdale, finally joining A65. We cross over this main road into

56 Ingleton 63

The village is not in itself very distinguished, but the situation is fine on the border of the Yorkshire Dales. At Ingleton, one is more conscious of the hills—the great outposts of the Pennine chain, culminating in Ingleborough Mountain (2,373 feet) and Great Whernside (2,414 feet). A road runs northwards across the wild

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Reverse

moorland between these mountains to Ribble Head and Hawes in Wensleydale.

Just above Ingleton, two streams descend through deep ravines forming scenic gems which should not be missed. Farther away, on Ingleborough Mountain, many pot-holes or caverns may be found.

Returning to the main road (A65), we turn left and resume our route to

60½ Clapham

58½

Attractive village below Ingleborough. Immediately above Clapham Church is a charming spot, a lake in a wooded dell, through which a walk leads up to Ingleborough Cave, one of the most extensive caverns in the country. Higher up is Gaping Gill, a famous pot-hole, very difficult to explore.

Continuing by A65, we come in 3½ miles to the sharp rise of Buckhaw Brow and later descend below Giggleswick Scar, past the Ebbing and Flowing Well.

66½ Giggleswick

52½

A fine situation, a good church and a famous school with a notable museum make this an interesting little town, chiefly to right of the main road, which turns left and crosses the river Ribble, then enters Settle. This is an ancient market town, sharing with Giggleswick the picturesque charms of Upper Ribblesdale. The frowning Castlebergh looks down upon an interesting medieval market-place.

A road crosses the moors from Settle to Kirkby Malham (see page 24) but it is not recommended as a motoring road.



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JOHN O' GAUNT'S TOWER,
LANCASTER CASTLE

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Forward

71 Long Preston

Reverse

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Keep right at fork after crossing the stream beyond the village. Our direct route follows A682, missing Hellifield, and in a couple of miles enters the Valley of the Ribble.

The alternative road through Hellifield is about half a mile longer. Hellifield is of no particular interest but a



A. Horner, Photo

EBBING AND FLOWING WELL, SETTLE

road there, a quarter-mile from the village, branches off from A65 and goes by Airton and Kirkby Malham up the Aire to Malham (6 miles from Hellifield). Malham Cove and Gordale Scar, above Malham, are fine cliff formations. At Malham Cove a stream wells up from the base of the rocks, at Gordale Scar the water falls from the heights.

From Hellifield we cut across to A682 and resume our route down the Ribble, through Newsholme to pleasant Gisburn where we turn right on joining A59. The road runs on high ground for some three miles after Gisburn, then returns to the Ribble Valley and turns left near the river. To right from the turn is Sawley with remains of a Cistercian Abbey.

Right and left turns at Chatburn and over the railway at the station.

86 Clitheroe

Busy and pleasant town below Pendle Hill. The keep

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Forward		Reverse
	of a 12th-century castle is preserved, good views over the Ribble Valley.	
90	Whalley (see page 19)	29
	Continue as Routes 4 and 2 to	
119	Wigan.	



GIGGLESWICK SCHOOL, HOSTEL AND CLASSROOMS

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Route No. 6, visiting Warrington, Frodsham (Delamere Forest), and Chester.

Forward		Reverse
Miles from Wigan	33
	Leave by Wallgate and Warrington Road, A49, or by Chapel Lane and B5238 which joins A49 beyond Goose Green. Past Park Lane Colliery and Brynn Station into Ashton-in-Makerfield (right turn at the "Robin Hood" and later left turn to continue A49). Go past Haydock Park and across the new Liverpool-Manchester road to Newton-le-Willows . At 9½ miles is Winwick , where notice the stately church.	
12½	Warrington	20½
	Entering by Winwick Street past the station, keep forward along Horse Market and Bridge Street . To right is Sankey Street and the Town Hall , formerly the seat of the Patten family. The Museum (reached by	

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Forward	Reverse
Rylands Street, Suez Street and Bold Street) houses some interesting relics from a 13th-century monastery among its collections.	
Crossing the Mersey, we keep right at forks and leave by Chester Road. The Mersey is crossed again, then the Manchester Ship Canal, after which we join A56.	
22 Frodsham	11
Old-fashioned little town with some interesting houses and old inns. To left here is a road (B5152) through the pleasant and well-wooded Delamere Forest district to Tarporley (see Route 10). Above the town, beyond Overton Church, is a point from which fine views of the Mersey open out.	
Good road on to Chester through Helsby (camp and view-point on hill), Dunham and Mickle Trafford.	
33 Chester .	
Detailed description of Chester with its great wealth of historic monuments and fascinating medieval remains should be sought in a guide-book. The one published by Ed. J. Burrow & Co. Ltd. for the Corporation is recommended, price 1/-.	

Route No. 7, visiting Liverpool, Birkenhead, Wirral Coast Resorts, and Chester.

Forward	Reverse
Miles from Wigan	42
Since the opening of the new Liverpool-Manchester road, the former main route through St. Helens and Prescott is superseded.	
Leave by Ormskirk Road; go past Warrington Road and through Newtown, then turn left to A571. Through Billinge and past Rivington Reservoir to	
7½ Liverpool Road	34½
Fast run to Liverpool, keeping left at Townsend Avenue for the best road into the city.	
20½ Liverpool, Haymarket	21½
Here is one of the entrances to the Mersey Vehicular Tunnel. Toll for cars up to 8 h.p. 1/-. up to 12 h.p. 1/6, larger cars 2/-; motor cycles 6d., with sidecar 9d. The ferries are still running, same charges as the tunnel.	
Seacombe Ferry is convenient for the Wirral coast-resorts. Distance by main roads from Seacombe to Chester via New Brighton (Pier), Wallasey, Hoylake, West Kirby and Heswall is 30 miles.	
22 Birkenhead	20
The direct route to Chester (A41) goes through Rock Ferry, New Ferry, Port Sunlight, Bromborough,	

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Forward

Reverse

round Eastham (Eastham Locks on Manchester Ship Canal are interesting) to Hooton. Here the road forks: A550 to right connects to Queensferry and North Wales, and also provides an alternative way into Chester; to left A41 goes on through Great Sutton. This is a straight-forward route from Birkenhead to Chester, distance 16 miles, but it carries a great deal of traffic; the way outlined below is faster and more pleasant, though 5 miles longer.



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From Birkenhead by Hamilton Street and across Argyle Street, follow the trams along Borough Road and to right through Balls Road, where turn left (leaving the tram-lines) and so out of Birkenhead by Woodchurch Road. Bear left at Woodchurch and forward through Thingwall and Barnston. The name Thingwall is a reminder of the days when Norsemen settled on the Wirral.

29½ Five Lanes End

12½

Here the road from Hoylake, A540, is joined and followed for the rest of the way, at 6½ miles crossing the road mentioned above from Eastham to Queensferry.

42 Chester.

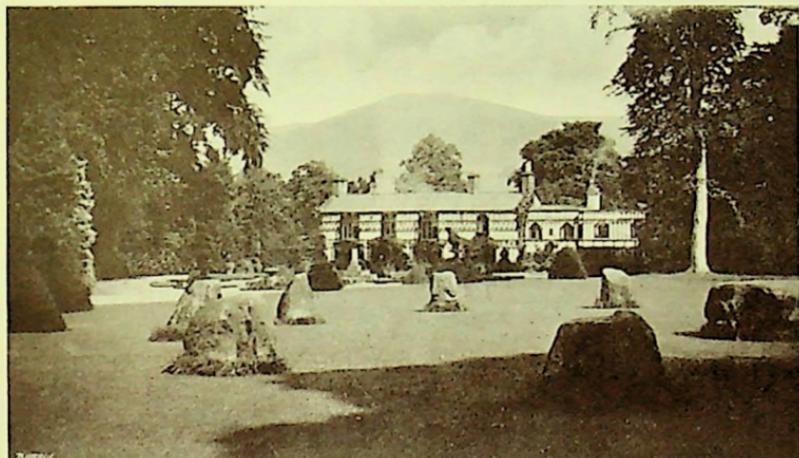
SELECTED MOTOR RUNS

Route No. 8, visiting North Wales.		Reverse
Forward		
Miles from Wigan	77
	As route 6 to	
22	Frodsham	55
	Continue by the Chester road through Helsby , then take the new road, A5117, on right. This goes to Shotwick and there joins A550 to	
37	Queensferry Bridge	40
	At the cross-roads after the station is A548, the fastest, but least interesting, road to Rhyl through Flint , Mostyn , and Prestatyn . Distance to Rhyl from Queensferry Bridge is 24 miles (61 from Wigan), further 12 miles to Colwyn Bay and 5 to Llandudno (78 from Wigan).	
	A more picturesque route is found by going straight on from Queensferry Bridge to Ewloe (castle remains), then to right by A55 to Northop and Holywell , 12 miles. Three miles farther on, at Rock Inn , A55 goes direct to St. Asaph (Cathedral) in 7 miles, thence through Bodelwyddan (marble church) to Abergele , Colwyn Bay , etc. Distance that way is 77 miles to Llandudno from Wigan. On a leisurely journey, the righthand road should be taken at the Rock Inn to visit Newmarket (antiquarian interest), Dyserth (castle ruins) and Rhuddlan (castle). Distance from Rock Inn 8½ miles. From Rhuddlan to the coast at Rhyl is 3 miles, inland to St. Asaph 2 miles, onwards to Colwyn Bay 12 miles.	
	For Denbigh in the beautiful Vale of Clwyd and the so-called Denbigh Moors Run to Pentre Voelas the way is straight on by A494 to	
43½	Mold	33½
	Mining town, noted for handsome church and "Bailey Hill," site of Norman castle. Onwards by A541, in close company with the railway line most of the way. At 12 miles is Bodfari , fishing resort, past which the road crosses the Clwyd and divides: A541 bears right for St. Asaph, while A543 bears left to	
60	Denbigh	17
	Picturesque town on the edge of the vale. Interesting castle remains. Good road up the western side of the Vale of Clwyd to Ruthin , 7½ miles, see next route.	
	A543 continues westwards and forms the Denbigh Moors Run , an exhilarating trip via Bylechau and the "Sportsman's Arms" to	
77	Pentre Voelas	
	From this point A5 goes on to Bettws-y-Coed in 6½ miles, thence to Bangor and Holyhead . Snowdonia and the fine touring ground west and south-west of Bettws-y-Coed may conveniently be reached by this route which is on the whole the most picturesque way.	

SELECTED MOTOR RUNS

Route No. 9, visiting Mold, Ruthin, Vale of Clwyd, Horseshoe Pass, Llangollen, Wrexham, and Chester (127 miles).

Forward	Reverse
Miles from Wigan 127
As Route 8 to	
43½ Mold	83
Continue by A494, semi-mountainous road by Loggerheads Inn and Llanferres.	



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**PLAS NEWYDD, SHOWING CASTELL
DINAS BRÂN, LLANGOLLEN**

55 Ruthin 72

Interesting and pleasant town. The castle (now a private hospital) is modern and not shown. St. Peter's church, the Parsonage and Christ's Hospital form a fine group and St. Peter's Square is very picturesque.

A494 onwards is a very good road and joins A5 on the western side of Corwen (13 miles). Direct road (B5105) to Cerrigy-Druidion (13½ miles) for Bettws-y-Coed is apt to be loose and is not so fast for a through journey as A494 or the Denbigh road (see previous route).

A525 runs south, up the Vale of Clwyd and into the hills, where (avoiding Llandegla) we join A542 for the

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Forward	Reverse	
		magnificent run over the Horseshoe Pass down to Valle Crucis Abbey and
71	56	Llangollen A5, on the southern side of the Dee , is the famous Holyhead Road via Corwen , Cerrig-y-Druidion , Penre Voelas , Bettws-y-Coed , etc., already mentioned in previous routes. There is an alternative way, a by-road on the north side of the Dee by Llantysilio and Rhewl —beautiful scenery. Return route is by A539 from the station side of the bridge via Trevor (see aqueduct crossing Vale of Llangollen) and Ruabon , thence A483 to
82	45	Wrexham Choice of roads to Chester : A483 via Gresford , Rossett and Pulford , main road, 12 miles; or A534 through Holt to Farndon , then B5130 via Aldford , a narrower, quieter road, 14½ miles.
94	33	Chester
127		Wigan .

Route No. 10, to Delamere Forest, Beeston Castle, and Whitchurch.

Forward	Reverse.	
Miles from Wigan	45½	As Route 6 to
12½	33	Warrington Leave by Bridge Street , cross the Mersey , bear right, then left at fork to Wilderspool Causeway . Main road, A49 , forward across the Manchester Ship Canal then straight on. At 10 miles is Weaverham , past which the Delamere Forest district is traversed; at 16 miles Cotebrook , where the main road keeps right and through Tarporley ; the left-hand road avoids a hill and is a trifle shorter. At 20½ miles is Beeston Castle Station , the next road on right leads in one mile to the picturesque ruins of Beeston Castle , situated upon a commanding height and open to the public on Mon., Wed., Fri., and Sat. , free. Cholmondeley Castle estate is to right of the road, 6 miles farther on, but the castle is not shown.
45½	Whitchurch	Important road centre and jumping-off place for routes to the south.

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CONDENSED LONG-DISTANCE ROUTES

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Route No. 11, to Dolgelley and Aberystwyth

Wigan—Warrington (12½ miles)—Chester (33 miles)—Corwen (62 miles)—Bala (73 miles)—Dolgelley (91 miles)—Machynlleth (107 miles)—Aberystwyth (125 miles).

Route No. 12, to Cardiff

Wigan—Warrington (12½ miles)—Tarporeley (31 miles)—Whitchurch (45½ miles)—Shrewsbury (65½ miles)—Church Stretton (79 miles)—Ludlow (94½ miles)—Leominster (106 miles)—Hereford (119 miles)—Monmouth (137 miles)—Usk (150 miles)—Newport (161 miles)—Cardiff (173 miles).

Route No. 13, to Somerset, the West Country, and Land's End

Wigan—Warrington (12½ miles)—Whitchurch (45½ miles)—Wellington (68 miles)—Bridgnorth (82 miles)—Kidderminster (96 miles)—Worcester (111 miles)—Tewkesbury (126 miles)—Gloucester (137 miles)—Bristol (171½ miles)—(Weston-super-Mare, 192½ miles)—Bridgwater (204 miles)—(Minhead, 230 miles; Porlock, 236 miles; Lynmouth, 248 miles; Lynton, best road, 254 miles; Ilfracombe, 273½ miles)—Taunton (215 miles)—Exeter (247 miles)—(Torquay, 270 miles) (Plymouth, 291 miles)—Okehampton (269½ miles)—Launceston (288 miles)—Bodmin (310 miles)—Redruth (340 miles)—Penzance (357 miles)—Land's End (367 miles).

Route No. 14, to Dorchester and Weymouth

Wigan—as Route 13 to Bristol (171½ miles)—Farrington Gurney (184 miles)—(Wells, 192 miles; Glastonbury, 198 miles)—Shepton Mallet (192 miles)—Ilchester (208 miles)—Yeovil (213 miles)—Dorchester (235 miles)—Weymouth (243 miles).

Route No. 15, to Cheltenham, Bath, Shaftesbury, and Bournemouth

Wigan—as Route 13 to Tewkesbury (126 miles)—Cheltenham (135 miles)—Stroud (148 miles)—Bath (176 miles)—Warminster (195 miles)—Shaftesbury (210 miles)—Blandford (222 miles)—Bournemouth (242 miles).

Route No. 16, to Salisbury, the New Forest, and Isle of Wight

Wigan—as Routes 13 and 15 to Warminster (195 miles)—Salisbury (216 miles)—Cadnam (232 miles)—Lyndhurst (236 miles)—Lymington (245 miles). Good ferry service to Yarmouth, Isle of Wight. Cars from 15/- to 32/-.

Route No. 17, to Lichfield, Coventry and London, Shakespeare Country, Oxford, Winchester, and Southampton

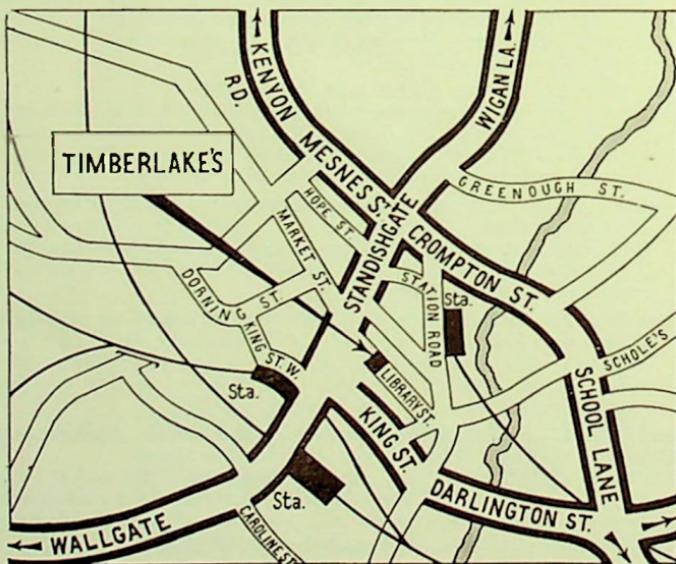
Wigan—Warrington (12½ miles)—Tarporeley (31 miles)—this route is preferable to the Newcastle-under-Lyme route—Nantwich (41 miles)—Woore (50 miles)—Stone (63 miles)—Rugeley (78 miles)—Lichfield (85½ miles)—(Birmingham, 101 miles)—



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Stonebridge (105 miles)—(Coventry, 113 miles; London, 206 miles)—Warwick (119 miles)—(Stratford-on-Avon, 127 miles)—Banbury (139 miles)—Oxford (162 miles)—Abingdon (168½ miles)—Newbury (189 miles)—Winchester (214 miles)—Southampton (226½ miles).

Route No. 18, to Reading and Guildford for the South East
Wigan—as Route 17 to Oxford (162 miles)—Reading (191 miles)—Wokingham (198 miles)—Guildford (220 miles)—Horsham (240 miles)—Brighton (264 miles)—Eastbourne (287 miles). From Guildford (220 miles)—Maidstone (273 miles)—(Folkestone, 308 miles)—Canterbury (300 miles)—(Margate, 316 miles)—Dover (316 miles).

Route No. 19, to Leicester for Cambridge and Suffolk and for Peterborough and Norfolk
Wigan—Warrington (12½ miles)—Newcastle-under-Lyme (48 miles)—Uttoxeter (66 miles)—Burton (80 miles)—Leicester (107 miles)—(Cambridge, 175 miles; Newmarket, 188 miles; Ipswich, 228 miles; Colchester, 223 miles) (Peterborough, 149 miles; Norwich, 225 miles; Great Yarmouth, 244 miles).

Route No. 20, to Harrogate, York, and Scarborough
Wigan—Bolton (10 miles)—Bury (16 miles)—Rochdale (23 miles)—Halifax (39 miles)—Bradford (47 miles)—Pool (56 miles)—(Harrogate, 65 miles)—Wetherby (68 miles)—York (82 miles)—Scarborough (123 miles).

Route No. 21, to Carlisle and Scotland
Wigan—Lancaster (38 miles)—Kendal (60 miles)—Penrith (86 miles)—Carlisle (104 miles)—Beattock (143 miles)—(Edinburgh, 197 miles) (Glasgow, 202½ miles)—Lanark (179½ miles)—Stirling (215½ miles)—Crieff (238 miles)—Dunkeld (260 miles)—Blair Atholl (280 miles)—Inverness (362 miles)—Dingwall (383 miles)—Bonar Bridge (410 miles)—Golspie (432 miles)—Wick (486 miles)—John o' Groat's (503 miles).

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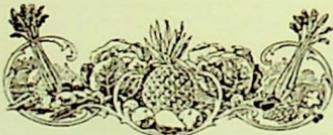
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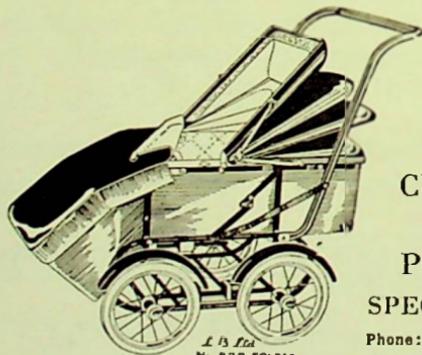
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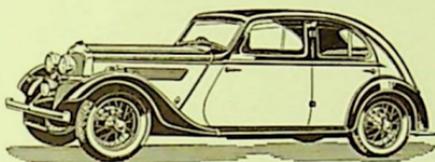
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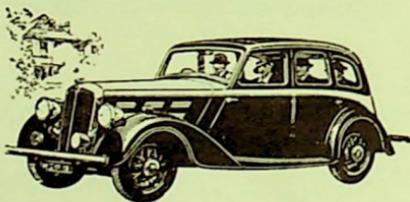
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