south, near Deal. This brought them to the confines of Lord Northbourne's property, whose minerals the Concessions had long tried in vain to secure. At this period, however, his lordship had arranged for their exploitation by the Betteshanger Syndicate (of which more anon), and the two Syndicates soon realised that it would be mutually advantageous to come to a working agreement. One of the fruits of this arrangement was that Betteshanger shared the cost of the Lydden boring, the site of which, and that of Ebbsfleet, are shown on the accompanying map.