

the copse and drops forward to the Waterford road at GOLDINGS (2 miles).

For the Beane meadows route, bear right in the road for 300 yards, and, on passing the Goldings lodge, turn in on the right and follow the grassy path beside the winding Beane. This is a trout stream, where expert and privileged fly-fishers are to be seen. The Beane is fringed by willows, and the yellow iris grows in the meadows. Across the stream is WATERFORD.

The Beanside path runs out into a lane, where two branches of the stream—one the old millrace—are crossed into Waterford (3 miles).

Turning to the right, take the narrow bylane on the left (about 100 yards from the Waterford Arms) and follow it through—ballast pits are now beside it—into a grass-verged lane by Well House. Leftwards here for 200 yards, to a gateway on the right. The footpath has gone, but the right of way is slantwise to the right, over to Lies Grove (at a point about 60 yards left of the right-hand corner of the large meadow). Lies Grove is a rough copse. The path enters it to the left of two oaks. Carry on through the copse to the far right-hand corner, where there is a stile. Crossing, keep forward alongside the hedge in the next field, and forward again in the third—to the right of distant cottages—and so over a stile and out into a lane (5 miles). To the right (signposted to Datchworth) is BRAMFIELD.

#### Walk 6b

BRAMFIELD TO HERTFORD (7 miles) BY TEWIN, MARDEN HILL, PANSHANGER, AND HERTINGFORDBURY.

Carry on by the lane that runs left, past the Grandison Arms. Dwindling into a cartway, it becomes a grassy track to the near-by Bramfieldbury, a rough green fringed by oaks. Keeping to the *left*, pass through a gate, and follow the track until the fields are reached. The meadow path leads forward beside the trees of Bramfieldbury Park Wood,

with views over the fields, and the Bengoe watertower for landmark. Skirting three meadows, the path emerges in a cartway. Here turn right, and at once *left*, beside a hedge, and keeping this on the left, follow round to a cartway that runs shortly into a lane. To the right is the Lower Green of TEWIN (1½ miles).

Keeping to the left, bear round (left) from the village to the fork (the right-hand lane here leads in half a mile to the church). Follow the left branch and take the path from a swing-gate 100 yards on the left. Turning left where the path forks, go through another gate, forward over a field, and forward again up into a copse (Lamb Dell Wood). From here one soon emerges in the beautiful old lime-walk of Marden Hill. Continue by a path that runs half-right (forward) from a stile. Cross a stile on the other side of the meadow and turn left and follow beside the hedge with a prospect over the valley of the Mimram. Crossing the remains of a stile, the way is then down through pasture (where you may perhaps see the pedigree herds of the model farm) to the drive, and so (right) over the Mimram into a lane, with Panshanger (3¼ miles) to the left.

Passing through the lodge gates of Panshanger, follow the drive for a few yards to a board (on the lawn to the right) inscribed 'This path is the only right of way across the park'. The path leads over to a drive, on the other side of which the continuation is indicated by another inscription. This section of the path runs uphill and keeps to the left of a big oak (not the famous Panshanger oak—*that* is near the house). The mansion (rebuilt in 1801) is on the left. The path then leads forward over a long meadow, flanked by oak trees on the left and conifers on the right. The path ends at a swing-gate in a hawthorn hedge. Passing through this, turn left along the verge of the field, and then crossing a meadow (by a path from a stile), bear right, out into the road at Birch Green (4½ miles). Hertingfordbury is about three-quarters of a mile to the left, by road. On reaching this charming village make for HERTINGFORDBURY CHURCH.