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1 kent01

1.1 Utterances 0001–0050

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| 0001 | <i>Yes, well, my name's Alistair Crown.</i> | Yes, well, my name's Alistair Crown. |
| 0002 | <i>I'm, I was born at Selling Church in eighteen eighty-seven.</i> | I was born at Selling Church in eighteen eighty-seven. |
| 0003 | <i>Innit?</i> | Innit? |
| 0004 | <i>[INT] That's right. You're eighty-eight now.</i> | [INT] That's right. You're eighty-eight now. |
| 0005 | <i>My father was a shepherd, under a Mr North, Sean North.</i> | My father was a shepherd, under a Mr North, Sean North. |
| 0006 | <i>He left there and went to Sittingbourne, shepherd for Mr Trawley at Rodmersham.</i> | He left that work and went to Sittingbourne, to works as shepherd for Mr Trawley at Rodmersham. |
| 0007 | <i>[INT] Hhm.</i> | [INT] Hhm. |
| 0008 | <i>When I was four years old, the only recollection I got now, is riding in the back of an old waggon with my mother and my brother and sister, coming to live at the house at Molash.</i> | When I was four years old, the only recollection I got now, is riding in the back of an old waggon with my mother and my brother and sister, coming to live at the house at Molash. |
| 0009 | <i>And we lived in that house for six years, then moved up into the Molash village, and took the shop, the little village shop, mother did, and ran the Post Office.</i> | And we lived in that house for six years, then moved up into the Molash village, and mother took the shop, the little village shop, and ran the Post Office. |
| 0010 | <i>My father was a ca- horse dealer, 0 started horse dealing, and, he gradually got a good name for genuine business.</i> | My father was a horse dealer, he started horse dealing, and, he gradually got a good name for genuine business. |
| 0011 | <i>And the, the tradespeople came to him from Faversham, Canterbury and all round, for him to find'em a pony or a horse to do their business with their cart, see.</i> | And the tradespeople came to him from Faversham, Canterbury and all round, for him to find'em a pony or a horse to do their business with their cart, see. |
| 0012 | <i>And eh, he used to go and buy these ponies off farms and wherever he could hear about one.</i> | And he used to go and buy these ponies off farms and wherever he could hear about one. |
| 0013 | <i>And us boys used to have to ride'em, see if they was safe to ride; drive'em, see whether they were genuine on the road.</i> | And us boys used to have to ride'em, to see if they were safe to ride; we had to drive'em, to see whether they were genuine on the road. |
| 0014 | <i>Some of'em shied when they see a bit of paper.</i> | Some of'em shied when they see a bit of paper. |
| 0015 | <i>Well, it wouldn't do to sell a tradesman a horse that shot one side and - would it?</i> | Well, it wouldn't do to sell a tradesman a horse that shot one side and - would it? |
| 0016 | <i>And if he got one that wasn't genuine, he used to send it to a man at Folkestone, we used to call Slippery Joe.</i> | And if he got one that wasn't genuine, he used to send it to a man at Folkestone, we used to call Slippery Joe. |
| 0017 | <i>And he used to generally give him what it cost, so he didn't lose too much money.</i> | And he used to generally give him what it cost, so he didn't lose too much money. |
| 0018 | <i>That was agreed between them.</i> | That was agreed between them. |
| 0019 | <i>And what he done with them, I think, they went to France for meat.</i> | And what he did with them, I think, they went to France for meat. |
| 0020 | <i>They eat a lot of horse meat in France, see, and I think these horses that wasn't genuine, what you couldn't recommend, they was shipped over to France.</i> | They eat a lot of horse meat in France, see, and I think these horses that weren't genuine, that you couldn't recommend, they were shipped over to France. |
| 0021 | <i>'Cause he lived at Folkestone, and I know my</i> | Because he lived at Folkestone, and I know my |

- 0022 *father then, he used to buy a lot of ferrets.*
 0022 *You know what a ferret is.*
 0023 *And they all used to be shipped France.*
 0024 *He used to get a - oh, perhaps twenty on the farm, and us boys had to feed'em.*
 0025 *And the devils used to bite us! You know, when we put the grub into'em, they'd grab for their food - bread and milk they used to have - and they used to grab your hand, if you wadn't careful.*
 0026 *So my brother used to take an old rope, up the other side of the hutch and shake it like that, and they used to run over there, while I put the food in.*
 0027 *And eh, that's the way we used to - do it, and then when he got about twenty, they used to, this chap he used to - well, he lived at West Well, Wheel, West Well, The Wheel, at West Well, the pub.*
 0028 *You know it?*
 0029 *And he used to take'em to France.*
 0030 *And they used to turn'em down wild out there for to destroy the vermine, in the forests.*
 0031 *[INT] Hhm.*
 0032 *And father had that job, and then he took a contract with G. Webb and Company, poulterers, at Canterbury, to supply'em with so many head of poultry a week.*
 0033 *And us boys used to go round the farms, and he used to give us sovereigns; an - always golden sovereigns it was, and sh- silver; and go round, he used tell us what to give for these chicken and old hens.*
 0034 *The old hens he used to send to London; we used to put'em on rail, and the chicken we used to take to Webb's, at Canterbury, poultry shop.*
 0035 *He'd take anything up to two hundred a week.*
 0036 *[INT] How did you used to get about the countryside?*
 0037 *Well, you'd ride the pony and cart.*
 0038 *[INT] Even as a kid?*
 0039 *We used to keep two ponies, father did, and he got a four-wheel van and a two-wheel cart.*
 0040 *And we got a pig cart, with a little tiny hole in the back, so as, when you bought small pigs, you whip'em through the hole, see, if you put your tailboard down, while you put one in, one would jump out, wouldn't it?*
 0041 *So these, it was made like that.*
 0042 *That you'd just open it and put your pig in, see - he had net over the top, so he couldn't*
- father then, he used to buy a lot of ferrets.
 You know what a ferret is.
 And they all used to be shipped to France.
 He used to get perhaps twenty on the farm, and us boys had to feed'em.
 And the devils used to bite us! You know, when we put the grub into'em, they'd grab for their food - bread and milk they used to have - and they used to grab your hand, if you weren't careful.
 So my brother used to take an old rope, up the other side of the hutch and shake it like that, and they used to run over there, while I put the food in.
 And that's the way we used to do it, and then when he got about twenty, they used to, this chap he used to - well, he lived at West Well, Wheel, West Well, The Wheel, at West Well, the pub.
 You know it?
 And he used to take'em to France.
 And they used to turn'em down wild out there for to destroy the vermin, in the forests.
 [INT] Hhm.
 And father had that job, and then he took a contract with G. Webb and Company, poulterers, at Canterbury, to supply'em with so many head of poultry a week.
 And us boys used to go round the farms, and he used to give us sovereigns; and always golden sovereigns it was, and silver; and we used to go round, he used tell us what to give for these chicken and old hens.
 The old hens he used to send to London; we used to put'em on rail, and the chicken we used to take to Webb's, at Canterbury, poultry shop.
 He'd take anything up to two hundred a week.
 [INT] How did you used to get about the countryside?
 Well, you'd ride the pony and cart.
 [INT] Even as a kid?
 We used to keep two ponies, father did, and he got a four-wheel van and a two-wheel cart.
 And we got a pig cart, with a little tiny hole in the back, so as, when you bought small pigs, you whip'em through the hole, see, if you put your tailboard down, while you put one in, one would jump out, wouldn't it?
 So these, it was made like that.
 That you'd just open it and put your pig in, see - he had net over the top, so it couldn't get out.

- get out.
- 0043 *And eh, I, well, as I was saying, at twelve years old, the first job he gave me was: go down to Court's, at Fisher Street - you know where that is?* And well, as I was saying, at twelve years old, the first job he gave me was: go down to Court's, at Fisher Street - you know where that is?
- 0044 *Just out here, Jack Court's - and pick up twelve pigs, little pigs, and take to Ashford Market.* Just out here, Jack Court's - he told me to and pick up twelve pigs, little pigs, and take them to Ashford Market.
- 0045 *That was the first job I done, with a pony.* That was the first job I had done, with a pony.
- 0046 *And I took the van down there, and I collected these pigs.* And I took the van down there, and I collected these pigs.
- 0047 *He said, take'em to Ashford Market, and put'em in Haynes's auction.* He said, take'em to Ashford Market, and put'em in Haynes's auction.
- 0048 *I'll be down there, I got to go to Stalisfield for some calves.* I'll be down there, I got to go to Stalisfield for some calves.
- 0049 *So, as I was going in Ashford Market - I'd been with him dozens of times like before I done work, I knew the way and all - as I was going in the market, some man come up to me, he says, Where you gonna take those pigs, boy?* So, as I was going to Ashford Market - I'd been with him dozens of times like before I did work, I knew the way and all - as I was going to the market, some man came up to me, he said, Where are you going to take those pigs, boy?
- 0050 *I said, in the market, and he said, whose auction?* I said, to the market, and he said, whose auction?

1.2 Utterances 0051-0100

- 0051 *I says, Ford Thorps.* I said, Ford Thorps.
- 0052 *Go and put them in mine, he says, here's threepence.* Go and put them in mine, he said, here's threepence.
- 0053 *In Haynes's, put them in the first place you come to, he says.* In Haynes's, put them in the first place you come to, he said.
- 0054 *So, I took this threepence, and done as I was told, put them in the first place I come to.* So, I took this threepence, and did as I was told, and put them in the first place I came to.
- 0055 *Well, my father was - I put the pony away, he always used to have two st- two stables up at Merrill's, eh Me- Merrill's yard; he used to hire'em every Tues- every Tuesday the year they reserved'em for him, see.* I put the pony away; my father always used to have two stables up at Merrill's yard; he used to hire'em every Tuesday the year they reserved'em for him, see.
- 0056 *And I put the pony out there, walked back down the b- Bank Street to the market, and my father was in there.* And I put the pony out there, walked back down the Bank Street to the market, and my father was in there.
- 0057 *He says, I can't find those pigs.* He said, I can't find those pigs.
- 0058 *Says, where are they?* He said, where are they?
- 0059 *I said, here they are.* I said, here they are.
- 0060 *And I showed'im.* And I showed'im.
- 0061 *He's, didn't I tell you to put them in Ford Thorps?* He said, didn't I tell you to put them in Ford Thorps?
- 0062 *I said, well, some bloke give me threepence to put them in there, he said, well, that's Mr Haynes.* I said, well, some bloke give me threepence to put them in there; he said, well, that's Mr Haynes.
- 0063 *And he boxed my ears, and he said, now shift'em!* And he boxed my ears, and he said, now shift'em!

- 0064 *That was the first experience of going to Ashford Market, and I told that to Mr Haynes not more than six months ago - his grandson.* That was the first experience of going to Ashford Market, and I told that to Mr Haynes not more than six months ago - his grandson.
- 0065 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0066 *[INT] Hhm. What, was there rivalry between these?* [INT] Hhm. What, was there rivalry between these?
- 0067 *Heh?* Heh?
- 0068 *[INT] Was there rivalry between Haynes?* [INT] Was there rivalry between Haynes?
- 0069 *Oh, yes, yes.* Oh, yes, yes.
- 0070 *Opposite to one another, see.* They were opposite to one another, see.
- 0071 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0072 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0073 *And anyway, I had to, well, 'course, I got these twelve pigs to shift, and Ford Thorps sent a man up to help me do it, see.* And anyway, of course I got these twelve pigs to shift, and Ford Thorps sent a man up to help me do it, see.
- 0074 *Father wouldn't help me, you know.* Father wouldn't help me, you know.
- 0075 *He said, no, shift'em.* He said, no, shift'em.
- 0076 *And you'll earn that threepence, he says.* And you'll earn that threepence, he said.
- 0077 *And that's the way I started work.* And that's the way I started work.
- 0078 *And gradually, we got into a way of riding these ponies and, all the - wicked, you'd never believe what horses can do, if they're not broken properly.* And gradually, we got into a way of riding these ponies and; oh, the wicked things, you'd never believe what horses can do, if they're not broken properly.
- 0079 *If they're not broken properly, when they're young.* If they're not broken properly, when they're young.
- 0080 *We've had'em.* We've had'em.
- 0081 *I, he, he come home with a cob one day, that was a beautiful-looking thing.* He came home with a cob one day, that was a beautiful-looking thing.
- 0082 *I was about fifteen.* I was about fifteen.
- 0083 *And he says, put tha' pony in, he says, and - in the cart, and let's try him, he says, I want that for Tom Smith at Faversham, if it suits him.* And he said, put that pony in the cart, and let's try him, I want that for Tom Smith at Faversham, if it suits him.
- 0084 *And eh, so I put this pony in the cart.* And so I put this pony in the cart.
- 0085 *Hadn't got out the gate, I said, this is a napper.* We hadn't got out the gate and I said, this is a napper.
- 0086 *He says, you think so?, I says, I can see it is.* He said, you think so? I said, I can see it is.
- 0087 *I looked at his old ears.* I looked at his old ears.
- 0088 *And I was a - only about fifteen to sixteen.* And I was only about fifteen to sixteen.
- 0089 *You could see his ears coming back - when a horse lays his ears back, you know he means business.* You could see his ears coming back - when a horse lays his ears back, you know he means business.
- 0090 *He's up to some trick.* He's up to some trick.
- 0091 *And he got out in the road, stopped dead, father well he was - and he wouldn't go no further, you know.* And he got out in the road and stopped dead, and he wouldn't go no further, you know.
- 0092 *And I can see my father now; he always had a ash stick, crooked ash stick; he's left-handed - and he stood up in the - alongside the - alongside of the eh eh van, and he hit that horse - pony up the ribs as hard as he could hit* And I can see my father now; he always had an ash stick, a crooked ash stick; he's left-handed - and he stood up alongside of the van, and he hit that pony up the ribs as hard as he could hit him with his stick, and the pony jumped, and

- him with his stick, and the pony jumped, and the thirlpin of the van snapped, we dropped in the road, and the pony went up the road, and I never, oh I never done so much laughing in my life.*
- 0093 [INT] *How did you get him back?*
- 0094 *Oh, caught him, well, we went after him, caught him.*
- 0095 *Got out, put another pony in the cart, and went and fetched him.*
- 0096 [INT] *Whose job was it to break these horses then?*
- 0097 *Well, wherever w-, we didn't know who broke them; we bought them - they warranted them, see, they - they was all rogues, horse dealers were all rogues.*
- 0098 *They'd warrant it; they, long as they got them sovereigns and got rid of their horse, they was landed.*
- 0099 *Wadn't no law.*
- 0100 *See, you couldn't take a man to court for that job, not them days.*
- the thirlpin of the van snapped, we dropped in the road, and the pony went up the road, and I've never, oh I've never done so much laughing in my life.
- [INT] How did you get him back?
- Oh, we caught him; well, we went after him, and caught him.
- We got out, put another pony in the cart, and went and fetched him.
- [INT] Whose job was it to break these horses then?
- Well, we didn't know who broke them; we bought them - they warranted them, see; they were all rogues, horse dealers were all rogues.
- They'd warrant it; as long as they got the sovereigns and got rid of their horse, they were landed.
- There was no law.
- See, you couldn't take a man to court for that job, not in those days.

1.3 Utterances 0101–0150

- 0101 *Eh, that was a tricky job.*
- 0102 [INT] *What sort of places did he, did he buy from then?*
- 0103 *Ooh, farms or dealers or anybody.*
- 0104 *Dealers, most of'em.*
- 0105 *We had a lot of horses out of London, what was - they break their horses in London.*
- 0106 *They only last in London two year, you know, on - them days.*
- 0107 *This's slippery, you know, and smooth, and then got, they used to put two ton behind one big horse, you know.*
- 0108 *Didn't want no pulling, only starting and stopping, you see.*
- 0109 *And it took it so much out of the horse's legs, the horse's front legs used to go over like that - bent.*
- 0110 *Then they, we used to buy them, they used to come back on the farms, and they used to recover.*
- 0111 *'Cause they were only six, seven year old, you see.*
- 0112 *Then we used to get'em used to farmwork and then sell them to the farmers round about.*
- 0113 [INT] *How did you bring them down from London?*
- Eh, that was a tricky job.
- [INT] What sort of places did he buy from then?
- Ooh, from farms or dealers or anybody.
- Dealers, most of'em.
- We had a lot of horses out of London; they break their horses in London.
- They only last in London two year, you know, in these days.
- It's slippery there, you know, and smooth, and then used to put two ton behind one big horse, you know.
- They didn't want no pulling, only starting and stopping, you see.
- And it took it so much out of the horse's legs, the horse's front legs used to go over like that - bent.
- Then we used to buy them, they used to come back on the farms, and they used to recover.
- Because they weren't only six, seven years old, you see.
- Then we used to get'em used to farmwork and then sell them to the farmers round about.
- [INT] How did you bring them down from London?

- 0114 Huh? Huh?
- 0115 [INT] Did you, did you [INT] Did you, did you...
- 0116 Walk'em! Walk'em!
- 0117 [INT] All the way? [INT] All the way?
- 0118 How, how other could you bring them? How, what other way could you bring them?
- 0119 No, all - there were chaps up there used ehr to bring them down, at the mart, and they used to say, where you wanna go to? No, there were chaps up there that used to bring them down, at the mart, and they used to say, where you wanna go to?
- 0120 And we used tell'em, Close Faversham. And we used tell'em, close Faversham.
- 0121 And, oh, I know that, and perhaps he'd bring about four, down, see? And they'd say, oh, I know that; and perhaps he'd bring about four down, see?
- 0122 Em- pe- for other buyer - perhaps we'd buy two, and another farmer b- buy one; they used to come down together; perhaps two or three of them used to come down and, with about a dozen old horses, out of London; stop at every pub, time they got down here, they was all pretty near boozed. Perhaps we'd buy two, and another farmer would buy one; they used to come down together; perhaps two or three of them used to come down, with about a dozen old horses, out of London; and they'd stop at every pub, by time they got down here, they were all pretty near boozed.
- 0123 Yeah. Yeah.
- 0124 [INT] Couldn't they bring them on the train? [INT] Couldn't they bring them on the train?
- 0125 No. No.
- 0126 They couldn't have them on a train; be like the donkey - gypsy of the - what's the name donkey, wouldn't it? They couldn't have them on a train; it'd be like the donkey - what's the name, donkey, wouldn't it?
- 0127 I say it'd be like the gypsy's donkey, wouldn't it? I say it'd be like the gypsy's donkey, wouldn't it?
- 0128 [INT] What's that? Gypsy's? [INT] What's that? Gypsy's?
- 0129 Donkey. Donkey.
- 0130 Two old gypsies bought a - got a donkey up in Lon-, bought a donkey in London, you know, or a, in a town somewhere, and it - they told us that it was true. Two old gypsies bought a donkey in London, you know, or in a town somewhere - they told us that it was true.
- 0131 And one got the guard, in out the guard's van to go and have a drink with him, and he whipped the donkey in the guard's van to get it - get him down on the train, you see. And one got the guard out the guard's van to go and have a drink with him, and he whipped the donkey into the guard's van to get him down on the train, you see.
- 0132 And old guard come back, and he tied him on the back. And old guard came back, and he tied him on the back.
- 0133 And he said, I bet old Jamie's legging it now. And he said, I bet old Jamie's legging it now.
- 0134 And the old train was coming in. And the old train was coming in.
- 0135 Yeah. Yeah.
- 0136 Oh, we've had some fun. Oh, we've had some fun.
- 0137 We made fun of our life. We made fun of our life.
- 0138 We enjoyed my life anyway. I enjoyed my life anyway.
- 0139 [INT] Hhm. [INT] Hhm.
- 0140 If I didn't work so hard, I'd enjoyed, I'd - enjoyed it till father took more ground. If I didn't work so hard, I'd enjoyed it till father took my ground.
- 0141 And then took me, put me in, in control. And then put me in control.
- 0142 He, he got too big a business to do anything on the farm, and he, and he said, well, you'll have to look after the farm now, and you can He got too big a business to do anything on the farm, and he said, well, you'll have to look after the farm now, and you can look after the horses

	<i>look after the horses and that when I come home.</i>	and that when I come home.
0143	<i>And I was all alone on thirty acres.</i>	And I was all alone on thirty acres.
0144	<i>[INT] How old were you then?</i>	[INT] How old were you then?
0145	<i>Uhm, sixteen; fifteen, sixteen.</i>	Uhm, sixteen; fifteen or sixteen.
0146	<i>[INT] It was, it was actually a farm he had at Molash, was it?</i>	[INT] It actually a farm he had at Molash, was it?
0147	<i>Hhm?</i>	Hhm?
0148	<i>[INT] It was actually a farm he had?</i>	[INT] It was actually a farm he had?
0149	<i>Yeah, he bought it.</i>	Yeah, he bought it.
0150	<i>[INT] (unintelligible crosstalk)</i>	[INT] (unintelligible crosstalk)

1.4 Utterances 0151–0200

0151	<i>He bought it off the eh, when they sold the outlying farms, from eh Eastwell Park Estate.</i>	He bought it off the Eastwell Park Estate when they sold the outlying farms.
0152	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0153	<i>Lord Grand.</i>	Lord Grand.
0154	<i>[INT] This would be about, eighteen-nineties?</i>	[INT] This would be about, eighteen-nineties?
0155	<i>Oohh.</i>	Oohh.
0156	<i>[INT] How old were you?</i>	[INT] How old were you?
0157	<i>Hhm?</i>	Hhm?
0158	<i>[INT] How old were you, for-?</i>	[INT] How old were you then?
0159	<i>Well, it was, I was about fifteen.</i>	Well, I was about fifteen.
0160	<i>See?</i>	See?
0161	<i>[INT] What had he had for his horse premises before? You know.</i>	[INT] What did he have for his horse premises before? You know.
0162	<i>Hhm?</i>	Hhm?
0163	<i>[INT] What had he, what'd he started off as, as a horse buyer?</i>	[INT] What did he have starting off as a horse buyer?
0164	<i>Oh, he, he had these little m- ponies in the other place, over the road; we had two places here.</i>	Oh, he had these little ponies in the other place, over the road; we had two places here.
0165	<i>And he, the house we come in first, we didn't stop long.</i>	At the house we came in first, we didn't stop long.
0166	<i>Wadn't big, it was only about acre of ground, and then we bought this farm were up for sale, and we went over there - bought that.</i>	It wasn't big, it was only about an acre of ground, and then we bought this farm when it was up for sale, and we went over there and bought that.
0167	<i>[INT] Where did he get the money from, if he'd only been a, a shepherd? Did he -</i>	[INT] Where did he get the money from, if he'd only been a shepherd?
0168	<i>Where did they get it?</i>	Where did they get it?
0169	<i>Saved it.</i>	He saved it.
0170	<i>Mother worked in, eh - worked hard.</i>	Mother worked worked hard.
0171	<i>And we all worked.</i>	And we all worked.
0172	<i>And you didn't spend threepence, where tuppence would do, you know.</i>	And you didn't spend threepence, where tuppence would do, you know.
0173	<i>Well, what's your farm cost?</i>	Well, what's your farm cost?
0174	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0175	<i>Three cottages, and thirty-one acres - five-</i>	Three cottages, and thirty-one acres - five-

- hundred pound.
 0176 *How was that then?*
 0177 *Three cottages.*
 0178 *Oh I think the bank or, somebody helped mi dad with the money.*
 0179 *Mother did, I know, mother was very thrifty.*
 0180 *She'd got quite a bit of money, and just like my wife: don't let ...*
 0181 *He's just the same.*
 0182 *She's just the same.*
 0183 *Put your foot on that.*
 0184 *[INT] How did your father start off dealing? Where did he get the contacts? Do you know that?*
 0185 *In a pub.*
 0186 *All the business was done in pubs.*
 0187 *They was open all day, you know.*
 0188 *It was never closed.*
 0189 *Six o'clock, you go in the pub at six o'clock and get some beer, and you go in there at twelve o'clock and get some beer; nobody said nothing about it.*
 0190 *And we'd go on a farm, and perhaps somebody s- like the grapevine would come to my father that John Norman had got a pony for sale.*
 0191 *My father'd slip up, get a pony in, go off and have a look at this pony.*
 0192 *Got a pony for sale, John?*
 0193 *He said, yep.*
 0194 *He says, have a look at him, try him.*
 0195 *Warrant him?*
 0196 *Yeah.*
 0197 *Every way?*
 0198 *If father knowed the man, he'd know his warranty was good.*
 0199 *If he, he'd know if it wadn't, too.*
 0200 *Well, put him in, let's try him.*
 hundred pound.
 How was that then?
 Three cottages.
 Oh, I think the bank or somebody helped my dad with the money.
 Mother did, I know, mother was very thrifty.
 She'd got quite a bit of money, and just like my wife: don't let (unintelligible)
 He's just the same.
 She's just the same.
 Put your foot on that.
 [INT] How did your father start off dealing? Where did he get the contacts? Do you know that?
 In a pub.
 All the business was done in pubs.
 They were open all day, you know.
 They were never closed.
 You went to the pub at six o'clock and got some beer, and you went in there at twelve o'clock and got some beer, and nobody said nothing about it.
 And we'd go on a farm, and perhaps somebody would come to my father and say that John Norman had got a pony for sale.
 My father'd slip up, get a pony in, go off and have a look at this pony.
 Got a pony for sale, John?
 He said, yep.
 He said, have a look at him, try him.
 Did you warrant him?
 Yeah.
 Every way?
 If father knew the man, he'd know his warranty was good.
 He'd know if it wasn't, too.
 Well, put him in, let's try him.

1.5 Utterances 0201–0250

- 0201 *So they'd put this pony in the harness, try him, drive him up and down the road.*
 0202 *And my father'd have all manners of tricks.*
 0203 *When he g-, as he says, drive him by me! he whip a white handkerchief out and shake it; and if the pony didn't take notice, he wadn't a shyer.*
 0204 *See?*
 0205 *And, eh, he said, drive him by his farm - his house, where he'd stopped.*
 So they'd put this pony in the harness, try him, drive him up and down the road.
 And my father'd have all manners of tricks.
 When he'd say, drive him by me, he'd whip a white handkerchief out and shake it; and if the pony didn't take notice, he wasn't a shyer.
 See?
 And he said, drive him by his farm - his house, where he'd stopped.

- 0206 *Now this, in nine horses out of ten, if you'd try to drive them by where they st-, their home was, where they'd been, they'd pull in, you know, try to go in the yard.* Now this, in nine horses out of ten, if you'd try to drive them by where their home was, where they'd been, they'd pull in, you know, and try to go in the yard.
- 0207 *And eh, but if you just touch'em that side with the whip gently - had a long whip, always had a whip - just touch'em that side, they go straight on.* But if you just touch'em on that side with the whip gently - you'd have a long whip, always have a whip - if you just touch'em on that side, they'd go straight on.
- 0208 *They knowed.* They knew.
- 0209 *If they didn't, they'd have it slashed up their ribs quick.* If they didn't, they'd have it slashed up their ribs quick.
- 0210 *And the horses were very sensitive.* And the horses were very sensitive.
- 0211 *My father then, he, he bought a waggonette.* My father then, he bought a waggonette.
- 0212 *You know what that is?* You know what that is?
- 0213 *A four-wheeled trap for taking people to station.* A four-wheeled trap for taking people to station.
- 0214 *And we had quite a business.* And we had quite a business.
- 0215 *People would ge - the old parson always used to get us to take him, out to some other parson, house to tea and lunch and that.* The old parson always used to get us to take him, out to some other parson's house to tea and lunch and that.
- 0216 *And I, I used to drive him, just dress myself up and drive him there, and perhaps earn ten bob.* And I used to drive him, I'd just dress myself up and drive him there, and perhaps earn ten bob.
- 0217 *We used take people to Chilham Station from Molash for half a crown.* We used take people to Chilham Station from Molash for half a crown.
- 0218 *Take'em down there.* Take'em down there.
- 0219 *Or go and fetch them back for half a crown.* Or go and fetch them back for half a crown.
- 0220 *And gradually we built a business up, and had quite a smart turnout, my father did.* And gradually we built a business up, and my father had quite a smart turnout.
- 0221 *And I used to look after that as well when he was gone.* And I used to look after that as well when he was gone.
- 0222 *Well then we used to keep a grey pony - our Jimmy, we used to call him - he was a, a pony we used to use for the weddings.* Well then we used to keep a grey pony - our Jimmy, we used to call him - he was a pony we used to use for the weddings.
- 0223 *Take people to rr-, when they got married, see, church.* We'd take people to church, when they got married, see.
- 0224 *If it wasn't only the half a mile, we used take the old - the old pony to church.* If it wasn't only the half a mile, we used take the old pony to church.
- 0225 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0226 *You know where Molash Church is?* You know where Molash Church is?
- 0227 *[INT] Not quite.* [INT] Not quite.
- 0228 *Oh, I did, I was in the choir for eleven year, at Molash Church.* Oh, I was in the choir for eleven years, at Molash Church.
- 0229 *I sang in the choir.* I sang in the choir.
- 0230 *Pretty near all the boys was - really religious, you know, their parents - there wadn't the crime there is today.* Pretty near all the boys were really religious, you know - there wasn't the crime there is today.
- 0231 *Nothing like.* Nothing like.
- 0232 *Well, there wadn't the population, was there?* Well, there wasn't the population, was there?
- 0233 *[INT] Could I ask you about the house, horse dealing again? Did you ever go up to London* [INT] Could I ask you about the horse dealing again? Did you ever go up to London with your

- with your father?
 0234 *Hhm? No.* Hhm? No.
 0235 *[INT] Did you... You never went?* [INT] You never went?
 0236 *No.* No.
 0237 *No, I never went, to London, no.* No, I never went to London, no.
 0238 *[INT] Did he ever tell you tales about it?* [INT] Did he ever tell you tales about it?
 0239 *We used to eh, they eh, we used to have a, in April, I think it was in April every year, the eh yeomanry.* We used to have the yeomanry, in April - I think it was in April every year.
 0240 *You've heard of the yeomanry, have you?* You've heard of the yeomanry, have you?
 0241 *They used to, the farmers' sons, used to hire a horse off father, for to ride in the yeomanry.* The farmers' sons used to hire a horse off father, for to ride in the yeomanry.
 0242 *They had to go up for a fortnight's training, see.* They had to go up for a fortnight's training, see.
 0243 *So father used to get quite three four of these horses about, and buy them purpose for the job.* So father used to get quite three or four of these horses about, and buy them purpose for the job.
 0244 *Charge'em five pound for a fortnight.* He used to charge'em five pound for a fortnight.
 0245 *'at was a lot of money.* That was a lot of money.
 0246 *But, perhaps the horse wasn't much good time they done with it.* But, perhaps the horse wasn't much good by the time they were done with it.
 0247 *And eh, me and my brother had to make sure these horses would, would take the saddle, see, there some horses didn't like people on their backs, you see; never had nobody on their back.* And me and my brother had to make sure these horses would take the saddle, see; there are some horses that didn't like people on their backs, you see; they never had nobody on their back.
 0248 *And father used to put saddle on'em, and, go on up there you go, and bunt us up on'em, and off we used to go - sometimes we fell off, sometimes we went off at a gallop and didn't know how to stop and had all manner of capers.* And father used to put a saddle on'em, and say, go on up, there you go, and bunt us up on'em, and off we used to go - sometimes we fell off, sometimes we went off at a gallop and didn't know how to stop, and had all manner of capers.
 0249 *Hhm.* Hhm.
 0250 *Anyway, I was riding one one day - father put me up on one.* Anyway, I was riding one one day - father put me up on one.

1.6 Utterances 0251-0300

- 0251 *He says, walk him down the field, he says, and gallop back.* He said, walk him down the field and gallop back.
 0252 *So, I walked him down the field, and he walked quite sure and galloped back, and there was a sheep hurdle in the middle.* So, I walked him down the field, and he walked quite sure and galloped back, and there was a sheep hurdle in the middle.
 0253 *See?* See?
 0254 *And the blooming thing went straight for this sheep hurdle and jumped it.* And the blooming thing went straight for this sheep hurdle and jumped it.
 0255 *Did jar, pretty near jarred my inside out when he landed.* It pretty near jarred my inside out when he landed.
 0256 *I never forget it, I wasn't very old then; I must have been about fifteen.* I'll never forget it, I wasn't very old then; I must have been about fifteen.
 0257 *And father says, he'll do.* And father said, he'll do.

- 0258 *And that were just the horse, for the yeomanry, you see.* And that was just the horse for the yeomanry, you see.
- 0259 *[INT] Hhm. Who, who were the people that's hired them up, the...?* [INT] Hhm. Who were the people that hired them?
- 0260 *Oh, farmers' sons, yes - Tim Fennel from Faversham, people from the towns.* Oh, farmers' sons - Tim Fennel from Faversham, people from the towns.
- 0261 *Tim Fennel from Faversham knew, he belonged to it, and he tried to get me to.* Tim Fennel from Faversham knew, he belonged to it, and he tried to get me to.
- 0262 *Stan Howl he belonged to it.* Stan Howl, he belonged to it.
- 0263 *He was at Drylands, Molash.* He was at Drylands, Molash.
- 0264 *I used to have to always find him one; he used to find Tim Fennel one.* I used to have to always find him one; he used to find Tim Fennel one.
- 0265 *Andy Fennel his brother, he used to have one.* Andy Fennel, his brother, he used to have one.
- 0266 *Oh, we used to buy abouts...* Oh, we used to buy about...
- 0267 *I think we had six, about six customers.* I think we had about six customers.
- 0268 *And they were a year occurrence, you see.* And they were a yearly occurrence, you see.
- 0269 *For several years, I don't know, it finished up when the 'Fourteen War come, didn't it?* For several years; I don't know, it finished up when the 'Fourteen War come, didn't it?
- 0270 *That's when it finished.* That's when it finished.
- 0271 *[INT] Did he ever sell horses for things like hunting, or?* [INT] Did he ever sell horses for things like hunting?
- 0272 *No, the old farmers used to own their own horses, didn't keep the horse.* No, the old farmers used to own their own horses, they didn't keep the horse.
- 0273 *Now this place here, they kept a hunter here.* Now this place here, they kept a hunter here.
- 0274 *But it worked on the farm all the year, and then they used to go out hunting, and that's what broke the man, 'cause his son went hunting and got, he was, he's come down from Scotland, this man what had this farm before me; he had it twenty-six years.* But it worked on the farm all the year, and then they used to go out hunting, and that's what broke the man, because his son went hunting; his father, he had come down from Scotland, this man that had this farm before me; he had it for twenty-six years.
- 0275 *And he told me that he, he'd got three thousand pound, when he come down here, from Scotland, and he says, now, Mr Crown, I haven't got three thousand pence.* And he told me that he'd got three thousand pound, when he come down here from Scotland, and he said, now, Mr Crown, I haven't got three thousand pence.
- 0276 *And I've been here twenty-six years.* And I've been here twenty-six years.
- 0277 *And I we- sa-, he says, and I've got nowhere to go.* And he said, and I've got nowhere to go.
- 0278 *I says, well, you can go over in one of my cottages, I says, and stop there as long as you like rent-free.* I said, well, you can go over in one of my cottages and stop there as long as you like rent-free.
- 0279 *And that's where he went and that's where he died.* And that's where he went and that's where he died.
- 0280 *'Cause we wanted him out the house to get the house done up, you see, to repair the house - it was in an awful state.* Because we wanted him out the house to get the house done up, you see, to repair the house - it was in an awful state.
- 0281 *I planted all these hedges.* I planted all these hedges.
- 0282 *I planted that orchard.* I planted that orchard.
- 0283 *This house just stood in a meadow, and the cattle and sheep used to lay in the porch, where you come through.* This house just stood in a meadow, and the cattle and sheep used to lay in the porch, where you came through.
- 0284 *And I laid the lawns and done it all.* And I laid the lawns and done it all.

- 0285 *I never asked Lord Sourstone for a penny.* I never asked Lord Sourstone for a penny.
 0286 *[INT] How come he'd, he'd eh done so badly?* [INT] How come he'd done so badly?
 0287 *Hhm?* Hhm?
 0288 *[INT] How'd, how come he'd done so badly?* [INT] How come he'd done so badly?
 0289 *He?* He?
 0290 *[INT] Hhm. Did he have the...* [INT] Hhm. Did he have the...
 0291 *His son started hunting.* His son started hunting.
 0292 *And then it was wine and women.* And then it was wine and women.
 0293 *And he kept a hunter here, and he, he would do his wife; his son's wife was a better man than ever he was - she'd work.* And he kept a hunter here, and he would do his wife; his son's wife was a better man than ever he was - she'd work.
 0294 *But Haggary - that was the owner of the farm, the tenant of the farm - he was, what shall I say - slow, you know.* But Haggary - that was the owner of the farm, the tenant of the farm - he was, what shall I say - slow, you know.
 0295 *He was honest, straight man, but he'd got no gumption of how to do a job.* He was an honest, straight man, but he'd got no gumption of how to do a job.
 0296 *See?* See?
 0297 *He wouldn't, I've, he, there was a little box there, when I come here first, with the eh, with my eh valuer, and not - it - that box struck me comical.* There was a little box there, when I come here first, with my valuer, and that box struck me comical.
 0298 *I sit there at the table.* I sat there at the table.
 0299 *I said, Mr Haggary, what's that little box for up there?* I said, Mr Haggary, what's that little box for up there?
 0300 *He says - he's Scotch - he says, that, Mr Crown, is where I keep mi guid book - his bible.* He said - he's Scotch - he said, that, Mr Crown, is where I keep mi guid book - his bible.

1.7 Utterances 0301–0335

- 0301 *And so he kept his bible in that little box.* And so he kept his bible in that little box.
 0302 *I take it down every night, he says, and read a chapter.* I take it down every night, he said, and read a chapter.
 0303 *Ha.* Ha.
 0304 *Now he's the sort of man that would rather, he wouldn't miss going to church, if the old cow was calving.* Now he's the sort of man that would rather not miss going to church if the old cow was calving.
 0305 *Well you can't farm that ways.* Well, you can't farm that way.
 0306 *You see the cow's alright, then go to church afterwards.* You see that the cow's alright, then go to church afterwards.
 0307 *And if she wadn't alright, you'd go pray for your sins, couldn't you.* And if she wasn't alright, you'd go pray for your sins, couldn't you.
 0308 *And it was just the same the other farm I took, before this.* And it was just the same with the other farm I took, before this.
 0309 *He was a chapel man; he was bankrupt.* He was a chapel man; he was bankrupt.
 0310 *And they let me have that farm three years rent-free, for to put it in order.* And they let me have that farm for three years rent-free, for to put it in order.
 0311 *As soon as I'd got it in tip-top condition they charged me top rent for it.* As soon as I'd got it in tip-top condition they charged me top rent for it.
 0312 *'S how they did this.* That's how they did this.
 0313 *I offered them a hundred eighty pound a year for this farm, when I come here, and now* I offered them a hundred eighty pound a year for this farm when I came here, and now we're

- we're paying over two thousand, a year.
- 0314 Huh?
- 0315 *That's hardly fair, you know, after you'd done all that, is it?*
- 0316 *I told'em so.*
- 0317 *They ain't kept up their agreements, their verbal agreement; when we were boys and men, my word was mi bond.*
- 0318 *And always has been.*
- 0319 *But - it was with the l- tenants before the agents, before this lot, Strutts and Parkers.*
- 0320 *But theirs isn't.*
- 0321 *If you ain't got it in writing, they don't take no notice.*
- 0322 *[INT] Did it always used to be verbal then, all the agreements with between the tenant -?*
- 0323 *Yes, we never used to dream about signing anything, or writing anything, or - five, five out of six of'em couldn't write.*
- 0324 *My father, he couldn't read his own name; couldn't write his own name.*
- 0325 *I can remember when I was, the Boer War was on - that's going back some, innit?*
- 0326 *My father used to come home from at Canterbury Market, or from town, with a little old paper, he give a penny for, so's I could read out to him what happened in the Boer War.*
- 0327 *I can remember that as well...*
- 0328 *[INT] Did he ever keep any records of his dealings then? Your father?*
- 0329 *My father, never, no - how could he? Only here.*
- 0330 *[INT] In his head.*
- 0331 *Yeah.*
- 0332 *[INT] Hhm.*
- 0333 *That's where I kept mine, until it got so big; then I used to have a Collin's notebook.*
- 0334 *Ooh, that's on here.*
- 0335 *Oh -*
- paying over two thousand a year.
- Huh?
- That's hardly fair, you know, after you'd done all that, is it?
- I told'em so.
- They haven't kept up their agreements, their verbal agreement; when we were boys and men, my word was my bond.
- And always has been.
- And it was with the tenants before those agents, before this lot, Strutts and Parkers.
- Theirs isn't.
- If you don't have it in writing, they don't take no notice.
- [INT] Did it always used to be verbal then, all the agreements with the tenant?
- Yes, we never used to dream about signing anything, or writing anything - five out of six of'em couldn't write.
- My father, he couldn't read his own name; he couldn't write his own name.
- I can remember when the Boer War was on - that's going back some, innit?
- My father used to come home from Canterbury Market or from town, with a little old paper, he'd give a penny for, so that I could read out to him what happened in the Boer War.
- I can remember that as well...
- [INT] Did your father ever keep any records of his dealings then?
- My father, never, no - how could he? Only here.
- [INT] In his head.
- Yeah.
- [INT] Hhm.
- That's where I kept mine, until it got so big; then I used to have a Collin's notebook.
- Ooh, that's on here.
- Oh -

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2.1 Utterances 0001–0050

0001	<i>[INT] Okay. We're on.</i>	[INT] Okay. We're on.
0002	<i>Heh?</i>	Heh?
0003	<i>[INT] We're on now.</i>	[INT] We're on now.
0004	<i>I say, there was a lot of gypsies about the place.</i>	I say, there were a lot of gypsies about the place.
0005	<i>And eh, they used to come around to the back doors, to every cottage and sell these old pegs, made out of hazel twig.</i>	And they used to come around to the back doors, to every cottage, and sell these old pegs made out of hazel twig.
0006	<i>They used to make'em and sell'em sh- about tuppence a dozen, and what the women used to peg their clothes with, you see; you've seen them, ain't you?</i>	They used to make'em and sell'em about tuppence a dozen, and they were what the women used to peg their clothes with, you see; you've seen them, haven't you?
0007	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0008	<i>Well, they, I had eczema when I was eight, in mi eye, that eye; that's what made that, pulled it one side.</i>	Well, I had eczema when I was eight, in my eye, that eye; that's what made that, pulled it one side.
0009	<i>And eh, the doctor couldn't seem to, give us a lot of ointments and one thing and other, and he couldn't see, seem to do it any good.</i>	And the doctor couldn't seem to give us a lot of ointments or other things, and he couldn't seem to do it any good.
0010	<i>And a old gypsy come to - woman with - door with the pegs.</i>	And an old gypsy came to our door with the pegs.
0011	<i>What's the matter with the boy?, she says.</i>	What's the matter with the boy?, she says.
0012	<i>Oh, he had eczema in his eye, she said.</i>	Oh, he had eczema in his eye, she said.
0013	<i>Oh, she says, That's not.</i>	Oh, she says, That's not.
0014	<i>She says, Go to the chemist and get some white copperas, and bathe it, she says, twice a day.</i>	She says, Go to the chemist and get some white copperas, and bathe it, she says, twice a day.
0015	<i>And we done that and it was gone in a fortnight.</i>	And we did that and it was gone in a fortnight.
0016	<i>How do you think about that?</i>	What do you think about that?
0017	<i>[INT] Incredible.</i>	[INT] Incredible.
0018	<i>That was when I was eight.</i>	That was when I was eight.
0019	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0020	<i>And I had it all right down the face.</i>	And I had it all right down the face.
0021	<i>Hhm.</i>	Hhm.
0022	<i>[INT] Did people like the gypsies in those days?</i>	[INT] Did people like the gypsies in those days?
0023	<i>Oh, we didn't mind'em.</i>	Oh, we didn't mind'em.
0024	<i>Well, there were some bad gypsies and some good ones there, we had one lot, Charles - name of Charles, used to come and see my dad, and if they'd got a decent pony, they used to bring it and sell it to him.</i>	Well, there were some bad gypsies and some good ones there, we had one lot by the name of Charles, they used to come and see my dad, and if they'd got a decent pony, they used to bring it and sell it to him.
0025	<i>I remember they sold him an old grey horse one day, starved of life; he could reall-, he could hardly walk.</i>	I remember, they sold him an old grey horse one day, which was starved of life; he could hardly walk.
0026	<i>And father says, I don't want that.</i>	And father said, I don't want that.

- 0027 *He says, Give us a fiver for it, Edward, and you can have it.* The gypsy said, Give us a fiver for it, Edward, and you can have it.
- 0028 *And so father gave him a fiver for this horse.* And so father gave him a fiver for this horse.
- 0029 *And eh, we nursed him up, and got him to be in good condition.* And we nursed him up, and got him to be in good condition.
- 0030 *We sold him to the Earl Sourstone to this farm just at - next door to me.* We sold him to the Earl Sourstone, to this farm just next door to me.
- 0031 *And eh, about three years afterwards, I didn't live here, mind then, mind you; I lived at Molash.* And about three years afterwards- I didn't live here then mind you; I lived at Molash.
- 0032 *Three years afterwards - what?* Three years afterwards- what?
- 0033 *[INT] What, how old were you then, about?* [INT] How old were you then, about?
- 0034 *I was eleven, about eleven or twelve.* I was eleven, about eleven or twelve.
- 0035 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0036 *Father had a letter, from a Ba- man named Barnes, Street End Farm - they still got it, ain't they?* Father had a letter, from a man named Barnes, at Street End Farm - they still got it, don't they?
- 0037 *Do you know of'em?* Do you know of'em?
- 0038 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0039 *She was going to Germany.* She was going to Germany.
- 0040 *And eh, she wanted Lord Sourstone, the Earl of Sourstone really, except that we always called him Lord, he but he's Earl, really.* And she wanted Lord Sourstone - the Earl of Sourstone really, except that we always called him Lord, he but he's Earl, really.
- 0041 *If he'd have this horse back, 'cause she didn't want to sell him, she wanted eh him to have a good home all his life.* She asked him If he'd have this horse back, because she didn't want to sell him, she wanted eh him to have a good home all his life.
- 0042 *And eh, he said, No, I don't want him.* And he said, No, I don't want him.
- 0043 *Says, You send him to Edward Crown.* He said, You send him to Edward Crown.
- 0044 *He saved his life, he said, He'd like to have him.* He saved his life, he said, He'd like to have him.
- 0045 *So eh, sh- sh- she wrote to my father; we went over there, to see her - ponycart, and eh, she said, Now, she says, I'm going to give you that horse on conditions you never sell him; you keep him till he dies, or have him put down.* So she wrote to my father; we went over there, to see her, with a ponycart, and she said, Now, I'm going to give you that horse on conditions you never sell him; you keep him until he dies, or have him put down.
- 0046 *She says, And you can have his this cart and the harness and everything with him.* She says, And you can have his this cart and the harness and everything with him.
- 0047 *So eh, she told her groom, Put the horse in the cart, and put all the tackle in it, his nosebags and his flynet - you don't know what that is, I suppose.* So she told her groom, Put the horse in the cart, and put all the tackle in it, his nosebags and his flynet - you don't know what that is, I suppose.
- 0048 *A net they used to throw over'em to keep the flies off, and everything was put in his cart, and I brought it home.* That's a net they used to throw over'em to keep the flies off; and everything was put in his cart, and I brought it home.
- 0049 *And we kept that horse eleven year; he was a beautiful horse.* And we kept that horse for eleven years; he was a beautiful horse.
- 0050 *That's the old horse we used to drive the wedding, people to the weddings with, when I got older, you know.* That's the old horse we used to drive people to the weddings with, when I got older, you know.

2.2 Utterances 0051–0100

- 0051 *Yeah, we kept him eleven years.* Yeah, we kept him for eleven years.
- 0052 *And we turned him out, n- when he got too weak to work - too, he was, l- got rid lame, and winter was coming, so Dad said, Don't like doing it, he said, But we've, we have to put old Buller down.* And we turned him out, when he got too weak to work, he got rid lame, and winter was coming, so Dad said, I don't like doing it, he said, But we have to put old Buller down.
- 0053 *You called him Buller.* You called him Buller.
- 0054 *After the old man what eh in the Boer War, wadn't it?* After the old man in the Boer War, wasn't it?
- 0055 *General Buller, wadn't it?* General Buller, wasn't it?
- 0056 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0057 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0058 *Well, they'd given him the name when we bought him - when we fetched him.* Well, they'd given him the name when we bought him - when we fetched him.
- 0059 *And, I couldn't go see him killed.* And I couldn't go see him killed.
- 0060 *I, I never went.* I never went.
- 0061 *Father went up and took him up the road, in the little paddock we got, and they shot him in there.* Father went up and took him up the road, in the little paddock we got, and they shot him in there.
- 0062 *They hadn't got humane killers then; they had to shoot them, you know.* They hadn't got humane killers then; they had to shoot them, you know.
- 0063 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0064 *They used to shoot them right in the forehead.* They used to shoot them right in the forehead.
- 0065 *[INT] What used to happen to the carcass?* [INT] What used to happen to the carcass?
- 0066 *Oh, that went away for dog meat.* Oh, that went away for dog meat.
- 0067 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0068 *Or else human consumption, who knows?* Or else human consumption, who knows?
- 0069 *Yeah, there was a lot of, lot of meat - horse meat eaten in the 'Fourteen War.* Yeah, there was a lot of horse meat eaten in the 'Fourteen War.
- 0070 *Any amount of it.* Any amount of it.
- 0071 *So there was in the last war, wadn't there?* So there was in the last war, wasn't there?
- 0072 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0073 *Whale meat.* Whale meat.
- 0074 *Didn't you know that?* Didn't you know that?
- 0075 *Oh, yeah.* Oh, yeah.
- 0076 *A friend of mine - a rich man - said to me and Ned Coleman - that's in the last war, now, I'm going on to - he said, I'm gonna take you boys out and give you a good lunch.* A friend of mine - a rich man - said to me and Ned Coleman - that's in the last war, now - he said, I'm gonna take you boys out and give you a good lunch.
- 0077 *At a sale, we met him; he used to have some sheep there.* We met him at a sale; he used to have some sheep there.
- 0078 *And eh, we went to The Bull Hotel at Sittingbourne, to have a good lunch.* And we went to The Bull Hotel at Sittingbourne to have a good lunch.
- 0079 *All they got was whale meat.* All they got was whale meat.
- 0080 *Old Coleman said, No, I'm not eating that - he's a Scotch chap - he said, No, I'm not eating whale meat.* Old Coleman said, No, I'm not eating that - he's a Scotch chap - he said, No, I'm not eating whale meat.
- 0081 *He says, Have you got nothing out of a tin?* He says, Have you got nothing out of a tin?
- 0082 *Well I think we had bully beef at the finish.* Well I think we had bully beef at the finish.

- 0083 Hhm.
- 0084 [INT] Did you, w- dealing with horses,
- 0085 Heh?
- 0086 [INT] Dealing with horses all your life, have you got any special remedies or horse medicines that you used on them?
- 0087 No, no.
- 0088 Only kindness.
- 0089 [INT] Hhm.
- 0090 That's the main thing with horses.
- 0091 They wa - pony'd talk to you if you got - if you had'em long, but we never used to keep'em, long, see, perhaps we only had a horse a week.
- 0092 My father used, I used to be out on the farm to work, with a pair of horses, and he used to come along with a man, and see this horse work, and he used to sell it to him, and we used to take it out, and go home, and he used to take it, pay for it and take it away.
- 0093 It was always paid for golden sovereigns, you know - always paid with golden sovereigns.
- 0094 Hhm.
- 0095 When I used to go round with chicken, buying poultry, I had - father used to give me about seven or eight sovereigns to go off with, see.
- 0096 And I paid a woman at Challock, right opposite The Halfway House, for some chicken, and I'd got three sovereigns left when I paid her.
- 0097 And, when I got home, I'd only got two.
- 0098 Was only a mile.
- 0099 And I said, I must've dropped that, when I paid her, see, when I put it back in mi pocket, these three.
- 0100 So I, my old neighbour got a pony, colt he was, and he, he asked me - the blacksmith, if I would give him a run, to, you know, take him out, and so I used to drive him out when I wanted.
- Hhm.
- [INT] Did you, dealing with horses-
Heh?
- [INT] Dealing with horses all your life, have you got any special remedies or horse medicines that you used on them?
- No, no.
- Only kindness.
- [INT] Hhm.
- That's the main thing with horses.
- Ponies talk to you if you had'em long, but we never used to keep'em long, see, perhaps we only had a horse a week.
- I used to be out on the farm to work with a pair of horses, and he used to come along with a man to see this horse work, and he used to sell it to him, and we used to take it out, and go home, and he used to pay for it and take it away.
- It was always paid for with golden sovereigns, you know - always paid with golden sovereigns.
- Hhm.
- When I used to go around with chickens, buying poultry, father used to give me about seven or eight sovereigns to go off with, see.
- And I paid a woman at Challock, right opposite The Halfway House, for some chicken, and I'd got three sovereigns left when I paid her.
- And when I got home, I'd only got two.
- It was only a mile.
- And I said, I must've dropped that when I paid her, see, when I put them back in my pocket, these three sovereigns.
- My old neighbour got a pony, a colt he was, and he, the blacksmith, asked me if I would give him a run, to, you know, take him out, and so I used to drive him out when I wanted.

2.3 Utterances 0101-0150

- 0101 So, I slipped round to see the old bloke, and I says, Lend us the old cob, for half hour, I want to run to Challock.
- 0102 Oh, he was pleased; he put him in the harness and cart and off I went.
- 0103 Oh, this pony could go too.
- 0104 Up Challock we went, and before I got out the cart I see this sovereign laying on the grass.
- 0105 That was something, that was a week's wages,
- So I slipped around to see the old bloke, and I said, Lend me the old cob for half an hour, I want to run to Challock.
- Oh, he was pleased; he put him in the harness and cart and off I went.
- Oh, this pony could go too.
- Up Challock we went, and before I got out of the cart, I see this sovereign lying on the grass.
- That was something, that was a week's wages,

- you know.
0106 *I got married on sixteen bob a week.*
0107 *[INT] When was that?*
0108 *Nineteen twelve.*
0109 *[INT] Were you worked - you were still working for your father then, were you?*
0110 *Yeah.*
0111 *[INT] Hhm.*
0112 *I worked for him all my life, till I took mi own farm.*
0113 *[INT] Hhm. Why, what, what did ehm, you know you said, you said last time that you've managed a farm when you were sixteen.*
0114 *We - I was managing mi father's farm then.*
0115 *'Cause he, he was never at home; he was always away.*
0116 *[INT] How bi-, how, it was thirty acres, was it?*
0117 *Thirty-one acres.*
0118 *[INT] Hhm.*
0119 *Hhm.*
0120 *[INT] How many men did he have on it?*
0121 *How many what?*
0122 *[INT] How many men? Just yourself?*
0123 *Just miself.*
0124 *I used to, we used to hire for the binder to come and cut the corn; we only had seven acres of arable.*
0125 *And eh, our neighbour, he used to come in and cut the corn.*
0126 *See?*
0127 *And then I used to have to stand it up.*
0128 *I used to have to go mow around it in the morning, so the horses didn't trample it down, and the binder went round and cut it, then I had to shock it - we called it shocking it, standing it like that, see - tending a shock.*
0129 *And then when it got dry, I used to carry it, and I used to go up there with a horse and van miself, and load it, and take it home, pitch it on a stack and stack it, and I used to do it all.*
0130 *My brother come home.*
0131 *He was in the army, he come home for a weekend.*
0132 *He says, I'll help you carry those oats.*
0133 *So, he come and helped me, and we was getting on fine.*
0134 *And my father and him couldn't get on at all; they was always flying at one another.*
0135 *So, my father come along, and he says, You wanna lay them sheaves a bit further out, up*
- you know.
I got married on sixteen bob a week.
[INT] When was that?
Nineteen twelve.
[INT] You were still working for your father then, were you?
Yeah.
[INT] Hhm.
I worked for him all my life, until I took my own farm.
[INT] Hhm. You said last time that you've managed a farm when you were sixteen.
I was managing my father's farm then.
Because he was never at home; he was always away.
[INT] It was thirty acres, was it?
Thirty-one acres.
[INT] Hhm.
Hhm.
[INT] How many men did he have on it?
How many what?
[INT] How many men? Just yourself?
Just myself.
We used to hire for the binder to come and cut the corn; we only had seven acres of arable.
And our neighbour, he used to come in and cut the corn.
See?
And then I used to have to stand it up.
I used to have to go mow around it in the morning, so the horses didn't trample it down, and the binder went round and cut it, and then I had to shock it - we called it shocking it, standing it like that, see - tending a shock.
And then when it got dry, I used to carry it, and I used to go up there with a horse and van myself, and load it, and take it home, pitch it on a stack and stack it, and I used to do it all.
My brother came home.
He was in the army, he came home for a weekend.
He said, I'll help you carry those oats.
So, he came and helped me, and we were getting on fine.
And my father and him couldn't get on at all; they were always flying at one another.
So, my father came along, and he said, You'll want to lay these sheaves a bit further out, up

- this end.*
- 0136 *Cause it was, you either you had to lay them true, you see, to stand.* this end.
Because you had to lay them true, you see, to stand.
- 0137 *My brother looked over the corner, says, You hook off, we don't, we got on very well without you.* My brother looked over the corner and said, You hook off, we got on very well without you.
- 0138 *My father turned round and walked away.* My father turned around and walked away.
- 0139 *I'll never forget it.* I'll never forget it.
- 0140 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0141 *But these old gypsies, they used to come, f- when we moved to Molash.* But these old gypsies used to come, when we moved to Molash.
- 0142 *And we had a little, little piece of ground we, with a cottage in it, we hired from Chilham Castle.* And we had a little piece of ground with a cottage in it, which we hired from Chilham Castle.
- 0143 *That's Sir Ernest Davies's father, I think he was a, he was an old army man, General or something, General, Capt- Captain Davies that's what it was, and eh, that come natural then, and eh, we gave him a half crown a year for this little piece of land.* That's Sir Ernest Davies's father; I think he was an old army man, a General or something; Captain Davies, that's what it was, and that came natural then, and we gave him a half crown a year for this little piece of land.
- 0144 *With a cottage on it, but, you know, uninhabited, it was dropping down.* With a cottage on it, but, you know, uninhabited, it was dropping down.
- 0145 *How he come to th- have that piece of li- little square of land, in, right in the middle of Lord Grand's, I don't know.* How he came to have that piece of little square of land, right in the middle of Lord Grand's, I don't know.
- 0146 *Well with this cottage, I suppose somebody owed him some money, he took it, off'em.* Well with this cottage, I suppose somebody owed him some money, he took it off'em.
- 0147 *Anyway, we had it for a half crown a year, and we pull-, I pulled the old cottage down miself, and grubbed the foundations out and put it down with grass.* Anyway, we had it for a half crown a year, and I pulled the old cottage down myself, and grubbed the foundations out and put it down with grass.
- 0148 *And that was just handy for us 'cause when was summertime when you we - I was working up there with mi horses, I got, well half of a quarter of a mile to walk home, with the horses and back again, and so I used to keep mi old bike out there and put the horses in there to have their dinner on the grass, and bike home, see.* And that was just handy for us, because when it was summertime, when I was working up there with my horses, I got half of a quarter of a mile to walk home, with the horses and back again, and so I used to keep my old bike out there and put the horses in there to have their dinner on the grass, and bike home, see.
- 0149 *And then bike back and put mi horses, and catch mi horses up and go to work again.* And then bike back and catch my horses up and go to work again.
- 0150 *[INT] Hhm. Did the gypsies used to use that?* [INT] Hhm. Did the gypsies used to use that?

2.4 Utterances 0151-0200

- 0151 *And the gypsies used to come in there, and I used to a- they used to d- ask down so ask if they could come there and stop for a day or two, see.* And the gypsies used to come in there, and they used to ask if they could come there and stop for a day or two, see.
- 0152 *Especially when the fairs were on.* Especially when the fairs were on.
- 0153 *There was Badlesmere Fair - that's in May always - Throwley Fair - that's just up the* There was Badlesmere Fair - that's in May always - Throwley Fair - that's just up the road -

- road - Molash Fair, Challock Fair, all within a month, month or five weeks, them four fairs were.
- 0154 *And my father used to go to Whitstable and get a bushel of whelks.* And my father used to go to Whitstable and get a bushel of whelks.
- 0155 *You know what whelks are?* You know what whelks are?
- 0156 *And then he used to bring'em home, put'em in the copper and boil'em.* And then he used to bring'em home, put'em in the copper and boil'em.
- 0157 *And us kids had to get the whelks out their shells of a night, that night, to take to the fairs, and he used to have a whelk stall, and you'd sell them a penny a plate, about six whelks on a plate.* And us kids had to get the whelks out of their shells over a night, to take them to the fairs, and father used to have a whelk stall, and you'd sell them a penny a plate, about six whelks on a plate.
- 0158 *Little tiny plates they was, about four inches across'em, three inches, and he used to sell these whelks, and me and my brother used to go to the fair; that was just our jobs going there.* Little tiny plates they were, about three or four inches across, and he used to sell these whelks, and me and my brother used to go to the fair; that was just our job, going there.
- 0159 *And mother, she used to stand there and sell the whelks, while father, he was always round them dealer boys, having some beer.* And mother, she used to stand there and sell the whelks, while father, he was always round them dealer boys, having some beer.
- 0160 *And then he used to drive home, about, used to get home about eleven, of a night, and what whelks was left, we kids used to eat.* And then he used to drive home about eleven for the night, and what whelks were left, we kids used to eat.
- 0161 *If there was any, but very seldom was any left, you know.* If there were any, but very seldom were there any left, you know.
- 0162 *Always done that, ev - for years, he did.* We always did that for years, he did.
- 0163 *[INT] What other things were at the fair?* [INT] What other things were at the fair?
- 0164 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0165 *[INT] What other things were there at the fair?* [INT] What other things were there at the fair?
- 0166 *Oh, roundabouts and all manner of shies, coconut shies.* Oh, roundabouts and all manner of shies, coconut shies.
- 0167 *Just the same as the ordinary fairs now.* Just the same as the ordinary fairs now.
- 0168 *'Course, nothing that's so elaborate; nothing like, but coconut shies.* Of course, there was nothing that so elaborate; nothing like, but there were coconut shies.
- 0169 *My brother, he was a dab hand, he, he'd knock coconuts off.* My brother, he was a dab hand, he'd knock the coconuts off.
- 0170 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0171 *[INT] Were these gypsies' stands or...?* [INT] Were these gypsies' stands?
- 0172 *These gypsies's all there with these turns outs, you see.* These gypsies's were all there with these stalls, you see.
- 0173 *Old Charles, I don't know what happened to them.* Old Charles, I don't know what happened to them.
- 0174 *They come and see us every year.* They came and saw us every year.
- 0175 *I went up there one night - evening, with'em, and I used to go there and they used to tell me all manners of yarns, you know.* I went up there one evening with'em, and I used to go there and they used to tell me all manners of yarns, you know.
- 0176 *Hhm, nice people they were.* Hhm, nice people they were.
- 0177 *And: Come and have some tea.* And they'd say, Come and have some tea.
- 0178 *I went in and had some meal with them - what* I went in and had some meal with them - what

	<i>do you think it was?</i>	do you think it was?
0179	<i>Hedgehog!</i>	Hedgehog!
0180	<i>They didn't tell me before ever I'd eat it!</i>	They didn't tell me before I'd eaten it!
0181	<i>I said, Oh, I says, Do- I thought it was rabbit.</i>	I said, Oh, I thought it was rabbit.
0182	<i>No, That's hedgehogs, he says, Better than rabbit.</i>	No, That's hedgehogs, he said, Better than rabbit.
0183	<i>I says, How do you get the spikes off him?</i>	I said, How do you get the spikes off him?
0184	<i>Oh, We roll him in some clay and bake him, he said, And then take it, it all drops off.</i>	Oh, We roll him in some clay and bake him, he said, And then take it off, and it all drops off.
0185	<i>Bake him in the clay.</i>	You bake him in the clay.
0186	<i>[INT] Is it good?</i>	[INT] Is it good?
0187	<i>Yeah, it was.</i>	Yeah, it was.
0188	<i>I liked it.</i>	I liked it.
0189	<i>It was the only bloody time ever I did taste it, I liked it then.</i>	It was the only bloody time ever I did taste it, I liked it then.
0190	<i>Of course, when we were young, we would eat anything, wouldn't you?</i>	Of course, when we were young, we would eat anything, wouldn't we?
0191	<i>Them days.</i>	Those days.
0192	<i>But you didn't get a lot of meat, you know.</i>	But you didn't get a lot of meat, you know.
0193	<i>No, we had, used to always have a, a joint of meat Saturdays.</i>	No, we used to always have a joint of meat Saturdays.
0194	<i>Father used to go to Canterbury, and bring home, he used to stop to the old butcher's as - pretty near sold out, perhaps and then, when they couldn't sell out, he used to buy a big joint, see, about seven or eight pounds, all in, in one piece - all bones and all, you know.</i>	Father used to go to Canterbury, and he used to stop at the old butcher's when it was pretty near sold out, perhaps, and then, when they couldn't sell out, he used to buy a big joint, see, about seven or eight pounds, all in one piece - all bones and all, you know.
0195	<i>And he used to come home and we used to have a proper fry-up Saturday night.</i>	And he used to come home and we used to have a proper fry-up Saturday night.
0196	<i>And that used to have to last us all the week, with the rabbits - course, there was always get a rabbit when you liked.</i>	And that used to have to last us all the week, with the rabbits - of course, you could always get a rabbit when you liked.
0197	<i>Thousands of rabbits was, on our place.</i>	Thousands of rabbits there were, on our place.
0198	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0199	<i>And pheasants.</i>	And pheasants.
0200	<i>We never touched the pheasants.</i>	We never touched the pheasants.

2.5 Utterances 0201-0250

0201	<i>My father was so; that was the agreement.</i>	My father was so; that was the agreement.
0202	<i>We could have what rabbits we liked; and they were our perks.</i>	We could have what rabbits we liked; and they were our perks.
0203	<i>But never touched the birds.</i>	But we never touched the birds.
0204	<i>And they used to come out on our field in dozens, when you put your corn in.</i>	And they used to come out on our field in dozens, when you put your corn in.
0205	<i>It's just the same here, when I come here.</i>	It's just the same here, when I came here.
0206	<i>Today it's the same conditions.</i>	Today it's the same conditions.
0207	<i>I had eighteen in my garden last summer - pheasants, properly ruined my spring greens.</i>	I had eighteen in my garden last summer - pheasants, they properly ruined my spring greens.
0208	<i>I sent for the syndicate and told'em, Pretty</i>	I sent for the syndicate and told'em, Pretty soon

- soon do something about it.
- 0209 [INT] Was there any poaching?
 0210 Poaching, in them days, not now.
 0211 [INT] Hhm.
 0212 Oh, everybody would poach or I went poaching when the War was on, 'Fourteen War was on.
 0213 But they couldn't do nothing with me.
 0214 'Cause I knowed too much about 'em.
 0215 He - d- e- the keeper what looked after our place, I happened to see a motorbike and sidecar - the chap lived just up the road here - come up our lane to the field, about eight o'clock.
 0216 I thought, what the devil's he going up?
 0217 So, I slipped over the hedge and slipped up to see where he was going, see.
 0218 See the keeper, with a bag, with a dozen pheasants in it.
 0219 And he was holding them there and sold 'em to him, and, this chap went off, he lived just up the road here, had a pub, his father did.
 0220 [INT] Hhm.
 0221 I never said nothing till I got alongside the old keeper one day and he says - I was in the, just in the wood getting a rabbit, you see, yes, and he say, You're trespassing.
 0222 I says, Oh, I says, I know I'm trespassing, I say, But they, they're getting a bit short.
 0223 Because everybody was having rabbits then, 'cause the grub was so short.
 0224 Hhm.
 0225 Oh, yeah, I says, Didn't trespass quite so much as you did when you was unloading them twelve pheasants last Thursday, did I?
 0226 He said, You didn't see me, did you?
 0227 I says, Yes, I did.
 0228 Never s- found more fault, I could go where I liked in that wood then.
 0229 We used to shoot deer down there.
 0230 Yeah.
 0231 You set snares up with wire, where they used to jump in the field, you see.
 0232 And eh, I had a good old retriever dog.
 0233 And this was all, I'd be - what would I be then?
 0234 About seventeen, I suppose, seventeen or eighteen years old.
 0235 I used to break these gun dogs.
 0236 I was one of the crack shots; I wiped the board at Whitstable.
 0237 Won a silver watch and chain, before I was
- do something about it.
 [INT] Was there any poaching?
 Poaching, in them days, yes; but not now.
 [INT] Hhm.
 Oh, everybody would poach; I went poaching when the War was on, the 'Fourteen War was on.
 But they couldn't do nothing with me.
 Because I knew too much about 'em.
 The keeper who looked after our place- I happened to see a motorbike and sidecar - the chap lived just up the road here - he come up our lane to the field, about eight o'clock.
 I thought, what the devil's he going up here for?
 So, I slipped over the hedge and slipped up to see where he was going, see.
 I see the keeper with a bag, with a dozen pheasants in it.
 And he was holding them there and sold 'em to him, and this chap went off, he lived just up the road here, his father had a pub.
 [INT] Hhm.
 I never said anything, until I got alongside the old keeper one day, I was just in the wood getting a rabbit, you see, and he said, You're trespassing.
 I said, Oh, I know I'm trespassing, I said, But they're getting a bit short.
 Because everybody was having rabbits then, because the grub was so short.
 Hhm.
 Oh, yeah, I said, But I didn't trespass quite so much as you did when you were unloading those twelve pheasants last Thursday, did I?
 He said, You didn't see me, did you?
 I says, Yes, I did.
 He never found any more fault, I could go where I liked in that wood then.
 We used to shoot deer down there.
 Yeah.
 You set snares up with wire, where they used to jump in the field, you see.
 And I had a good old retriever dog.
 And this was all - what would I be then?
 About seventeen, I suppose, seventeen or eighteen years old.
 I used to break these gun dogs.
 I was one of the crack shots; I wiped the board at Whitstable.
 I won a silver watch and chain, before I was sev-

- seventeen, but then I lost the silver watch when I went in the army - th - somebody pinched it.
- 0238 So, I was about sixteen, when I won that silver watch and chain.
- 0239 And eh - my father used to take a load of chicken, to Boughton, The King's Head, Boughton.
- 0240 You know where that is?
- 0241 Do you?
- 0242 And we used to shoot'em off.
- 0243 He used to s- sell - say, a chicken was worth three bob.
- 0244 My father'd have twelve tickets threepence each.
- 0245 That was four bo- eh four pence each; that was four bob, wadn't it?
- 0246 [INT] Hhm.
- 0247 See?
- 0248 And then they used to shoot for it.
- 0249 Had a dozen of'em, f- or fourteen of'em, as many as he could get.
- 0250 Oh, he, he wouldn't let it go before he got enough money to cover the cost of the chicken, then what he got out of that was profit.
- enteen, but then I lost the silver watch when I went in the army, somebody pinched it.
- So, I was about sixteen, when I won that silver watch and chain.
- And my father used to take a load of chicken, to Boughton, The King's Head, Boughton.
- You know where that is?
- Do you?
- And we used to shoot'em off.
- He used to s- sell - say, a chicken was worth three bob.
- My father'd have twelve tickets, threepence each.
- That was four four pence each; that was four bob, wasn't it?
- [INT] Hhm.
- See?
- And then they used to shoot for it.
- He had a dozen of'em, or fourteen of'em, as many as he could get.
- Oh, he wouldn't let it go before he got enough money to cover the cost of the chicken, then what he got out of that was profit.

2.6 Utterances 0251–0300

- 0251 And I bou-, he come home one day, with a load of rabbits - were all the tame rabbits.
- 0252 I remember I was - oh, it was when I was about sixteen.
- 0253 And he said, Here you are, he says, Here's a job for you, you can have them.
- 0254 And he give'em to me, see.
- 0255 Mhm, but I didn't want'em.
- 0256 I sold'em all, bar one.
- 0257 And I couldn't sell this one, it was a big old black doe.
- 0258 So Dad said, Take that old rabbit down Boughton tomorrow, he said, We will, eh knock that off.
- 0259 I won it back three times.
- 0260 Then I sold it to mi uncle, for half a crown.
- 0261 And eh, one of the toffs down there, he says, You're a pretty good shot, boy.
- 0262 I, Yeah.
- 0263 He says, Come in there - they used to have these swinging targets - he says, Come on, he says, I'll pay for you, Come on along with us, he says.
- He come home one day, with a load of rabbits - were all tame rabbits.
- I remember I was - oh, it was when I was about sixteen.
- And he said, Here you are, he says, Here's a job for you, you can have them.
- And he gave them to me, see.
- Mhm, but I didn't want'em.
- I sold'em all, bar one.
- And I couldn't sell this one, it was a big old black doe.
- So Dad said, Take that old rabbit down Boughton tomorrow, he said, We will knock that off.
- I won it back three times.
- Then I sold it to my uncle, for half a crown.
- And one of the toffs down there, he says, You're a pretty good shot, boy.
- I said, Yeah.
- He says, Come in there - they used to have these swinging targets - he says, Come on, he says, I'll pay for you, Come on along with us, he says.

- 0264 *And I beat'em!* And I beat'em!
- 0265 *I had a silver watch and chain.* I had a silver watch and chain.
- 0266 *I beat the whole lot, there were twelve, fourteen of'em.* I beat the whole lot, there were twelve, fourteen of'em.
- 0267 *There were just as many shots, that you could get in a card when it had swung six times.* There were just as many shots, that you could get in a card when it had swung six times.
- 0268 *And it shook quick, you know, it - this chap was swinging it and you had to shoot, and I hit it every time.* And it shook quick, you know, this chap was swinging it and you had to shoot, and I hit it every time.
- 0269 *[INT] Where had you learnt to fire a gun?* [INT] Where had you learnt to fire a gun?
- 0270 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0271 *[INT] Where, where had you learnt to, to handle a gun?* [INT] Where had you learnt to handle a gun?
- 0272 *Oh, I handled a gun since I was twelve.* Oh, I handled a gun since I was twelve.
- 0273 *Father ehr, shooting these rabbits, on the farm, see.* Shooting these rabbits, on the farm, see.
- 0274 *With mi old muzzle-loading gun, you know.* With my old muzzle-loading gun, you know.
- 0275 *You shoot the old powder in, put a bit of paper in, ram it down, then shoot some shots in and ram your shot hard, and then put your cap on, never put your cap on before you'd that you had pull the trigger back, put the cap on, and you was loaded.* You shoot the old powder in, put a bit of paper in, ram it down, then shoot some shots in and ram your shot hard, and then put your cap on, you never put your cap on before you had pulled the trigger back, then put the cap on, and you were loaded.
- 0276 *Then s-, then you shot, and then you got all that go-through again - it wadn't like it is today.* Then you shot, and then you got all that to go through again - it wasn't like it is today.
- 0277 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0278 *[INT] When, when were these eh shoots held?* [INT] When were these shoots held?
- 0279 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0280 *[INT] Were they held - when were these shoots held? Were they a Saturday or week night or something?* [INT] When were these shoots held? Were they a Saturday or week night or something?
- 0281 *What eh - Boughton?* What, Boughton?
- 0282 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0283 *[INT] Yes.* [INT] Yes.
- 0284 *Oh, always on the Saturday.* Oh, always on the Saturday.
- 0285 *You know, Saturday afternoons.* You know, Saturday afternoons.
- 0286 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0287 *I went down there several times with Father.* I went down there several times with father.
- 0288 *That was about the last time, I suppose, I yes, because father, he was ill after that.* That was about the last time, I suppose, yes, because father, he was ill after that.
- 0289 *'s when I come back from the army, he had a cancer in his stomach.* When I came back from the army, he had a cancer in his stomach.
- 0290 *That's what killed him.* That's what killed him.
- 0291 *He eh, he used to live here, my father did, in this house.* He used to live here, my father did, in this house.
- 0292 *He was ehr working on the farm, and he used to sleep in the bedroom but he wouldn't ever go in there - not when he was here.* He was working on the farm, and he used to sleep in the bedroom, but he wouldn't ever go in there - not when he was here.
- 0293 *He said, I've see enough of that when I was* He said, I've see enough of that when I was here.

- here.
- 0294 *I'll show it to you before you go away.* I'll show it to you before you go away.
- 0295 *It's got this old king beam up there.* It's got this old king beam up there.
- 0296 *You ever seen one?* Have you ever seen one?
- 0297 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0298 *Oh, you don't want to look at that then.* Oh, you don't want to look at that then.
- 0299 *[INT] I'll have a look.* [INT] I'll have a look.
- 0300 *Hhm?* Hhm?

2.7 Utterances 0301–0350

- 0301 *[INT] I've only seen the one.* [INT] I've only seen the one.
- 0302 *Yah.* Yah.
- 0303 *[INT] This one's different.* [INT] This one's different.
- 0304 *I'll take you up there.* I'll take you up there.
- 0305 *[INT] What were these fairs, that, ehm-* [INT] What were these fairs, that-
- 0306 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0307 *[INT] What days were these fairs held on at Badlesmere and?* [INT] What days were these fairs held on at Badlesmere?
- 0308 *Always in May.* Always in May.
- 0309 *[INT] Always on a Saturday, were they or?* [INT] Always on a Saturday, were they?
- 0310 *Oh, always Saturday, oh, yes - Saturday afternoons.* Oh, always Saturday, oh, yes - Saturday afternoons.
- 0311 *Had to work seven days a week.* You had to work seven days a week.
- 0312 *The fair was, the kids used to run in the afternoons, and the eh adults never got to a fair much before four o'clock.* The kids used to run to the fair in the afternoons, and the adults never got to a fair much before four o'clock.
- 0313 *See, they had their stock to look after on the farms and all that, but plenty of children there.* See, they had their stock to look after on the farms and all that, but plenty of children would be there.
- 0314 *But eh, hm!* But eh, hm!
- 0315 *Used to enjoy ourselves at the fair.* We used to enjoy ourselves at the fair.
- 0316 *[INT] Did you ever go to Canterbury Fair or Faversham Carnivals or anything?* [INT] Did you ever go to Canterbury Fair or Faversham Carnivals or anything?
- 0317 *No.* No.
- 0318 *No, I never went.* No, I never went.
- 0319 *Couldn't afford it.* We couldn't afford it.
- 0320 *We had saved our money - not waste it!* We had to save our money - not waste it!
- 0321 *'f not we should never had money enough to buy out the farm, should we?* If not we should never had money enough to buy out the farm, should we?
- 0322 *Did I ever tell you what it cost?* Did I ever tell you what it cost?
- 0323 *I told you nearly five-hundred, didn't I?* I told you nearly five-hundred, didn't I?
- 0324 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0325 *Well, it cost three-fifty.* Well, it cost three-fifty.
- 0326 *I remembered when I got into bed; I thought, I believe I told him that cost five-hundred.* I remembered when I got into bed; I thought, I believe I told him that it cost five-hundred.
- 0327 *But it was three-fifty.* But it was three-fifty.
- 0328 *And eh, we hadn't been there above six months, and I was in the field at work, with pair of horses; my father come up, nine* And we hadn't been there more than six months, and I was in the field at work with pair of horses; my father came up, nine o'clock, after

- o'clock, after post.*
- 0329 *He says, You got another job now.* post.
He said, You got another job now.
- 0330 *I said, What's that?* I said, What's that?
- 0331 *He says, You gotta go to Wye, to pay the quit rent.* He said, You gotta go to Wye, to pay the quit rent.
- 0332 *You know what a quit rent is?* You know what a quit rent is?
- 0333 *Well, you go to pay the Lord of the Manor so much, that was - we'd hired the farm then, 'fore we bought it.* Well, you go to pay the Lord of the Manor so much; we'd hired the farm then, before we bought it.
- 0334 *And he says, You better take that fresh mare, he says, And you can give her a good trial, he said.* And he said, You better take that fresh mare, he says, And you can give her a good trial, he said.
- 0335 *So, I was off; I's about fifteen, sixteen - sixteen, I reckon I was.* So, I was off; I was about fifteen, sixteen - sixteen, I reckon I was.
- 0336 *And I goes down there and this quit rent was three and six pence.* And I went down there, and this quit rent was three and six pence.
- 0337 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0338 *'Course, father didn't know nothing about it, 'cause he'd only just bought it, and he couldn't read or write, he didn't know what a quit rent was, and, neither did I.* Of course, father didn't know anything about it, because he'd only just bought it, and he couldn't read or write, he didn't know what a quit rent was, and neither did I.
- 0339 *But anyway, I went down there, to the I don't know the pub's name was, it was in Charing anyway, we had to go there - in Wye.* But anyway, I went down there, to the- I don't know the pub's name was, it was in Charing anyway, we had to go there, to Wye.
- 0340 *And I got there and I see a man there I knew.* And I got there and I saw a man there I knew.
- 0341 *I said, Where do I have to go pay this quit rent?* I said, Where do I have to go pay this quit rent?
- 0342 *Oh, he says, In here.* Oh, he says, In here.
- 0343 *And he took me in there, and it was our, a chap used to come round, for a f- feed firm, you know, a traveller chap.* And he took me in there, and a chap used to come round, for a feed firm, you know, a traveller chap.
- 0344 *He took me in there, and I paid this three and six pence.* He took me in there, and I paid these three and six pence.
- 0345 *I said, Do I have a receipt?* I said, Can I have a receipt?
- 0346 *Ahh, you don't wanna a receipt, he says.* Ahh, you don't want to a receipt, he says.
- 0347 *He says, You ain't going home.* He says, You ain't going home.
- 0348 *I said, I'm going home, I said.* I said, I'm going home, I said.
- 0349 *No, he said, You've got to stop to lunch.* No, he said, You've got to stop for lunch.
- 0350 *Oh, stop to lunch, he says.* Oh, stop for lunch, he says.

2.8 Utterances 0351-0400

- 0351 *See, we was a tenant, of Lord Grand and he put a lunch on for all his tenants, see.* See, we were a tenant of Lord Grand, and he put a lunch on for all his tenants, see.
- 0352 *And they had t' pay this three and six quit rent.* And they had to pay this three and six quit rent.
- 0353 *So, I stopped to lunch, put the horse away, and, wadn't many people there, I was early.* So, I stopped for lunch, put the horse away, and, there weren't many people there, I was early.
- 0354 *And this mare, you had to st- take her out the cart, you had to stand her right up against a wall.* And this mare, you had to take her out the cart, you had to stand her right up against a wall.

- 0355 *Because s- in her young days, somebody had took her out and got her harness hooked up on the cart, and frightened her, see.* Because in her young days, somebody had took her out and got her harness hooked up on the cart, and frightened her, see.
- 0356 *So, when you took her out, in the open, she dashed out, perhaps 'fore you got all the harness undone.* So, when you took her out, in the open, she dashed out, perhaps before you got all the harness undone.
- 0357 *So, we always used stand her right up against the wall, so she couldn't dash out - dash forward, see, till we got her out, and then push the cart back off her.* So, we always used stand her right up against the wall, so she couldn't dash out - dash forward, see, until we got her out, and then push the cart back off her.
- 0358 *Hhm, anyway, old Slippery took her; we couldn't send her to a cousin.* Hhm, anyway, old Slippery took her; we couldn't send her to a cousin.
- 0359 *He, she went to Folkestone.* She went to Folkestone.
- 0360 *He put her in a four-in-hand, down at Folkestone, run her from Folkestone to Dover.* He put her in a four-in-hand, down at Folkestone, ran her from Folkestone to Dover.
- 0361 *He said he'd never had a better horse in his life.* He said he'd never had a better horse in his life.
- 0362 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0363 *But she was a devil to take out of harness.* But she was a devil to take out of harness.
- 0364 *And eh, as I say about this quit rent, we went in there, there was about twenty of us, I should think, sit down to a table in this pub, and ohh, dinner was laid out, all cold meat, and salad, bread rolls, and beside each plates was a little green glass, and a bottle of ale, in front of you - pint bottle, mind you, not a half pint: pint - and a glass, this little green glass, like ah!* And as I'm saying about this quit rent, we went in there, there were about twenty of us, I should think, I sat down at a table in this pub, and dinner was laid out, all cold meat, salad, bread rolls, and beside each plate was a little green glass, and a bottle of ale, in front of you - a pint bottle, mind you, not a half pint - and a glass, this little green glass, like ah!
- 0365 *I looked at this green glass, I'd never seen a little teeny green glass 'fore, and the old bloke come round and shot some wine in it - in this green glass.* I looked at this green glass, I'd never seen a little teeny green glass before, and the old bloke came around and shot some wine in it - in this green glass.
- 0366 *Now, we drink the health of the King - Queen.* Now, we drink to the health of the Queen.
- 0367 *Q- Queen Elizabeth, wadn't it - Queen - Victoria, wadn't it?* Queen Elizabeth, wasn't it- Queen Victoria, wasn't it?
- 0368 *[INT] How, well, how old were you?* [INT] Well, how old were you?
- 0369 *I - sixteen, near there.* I was sixteen, nearly there.
- 0370 *Or rather st- King Edward, I don't know.* Or rather King Edward, I don't know.
- 0371 *[INT] Edward, just about. Edward, I think, yeah.* [INT] Edward, just about. Edward, I think, yeah.
- 0372 *Hah?* Hah?
- 0373 *[INT] Edward, it would be.* [INT] Edward, it would be.
- 0374 *King King Edward, wouldn't it?* King King Edward, wouldn't it?
- 0375 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0376 *That's it.* That's it.
- 0377 *We had to drink the health of the King, that's it.* We had to drink to the health of the King, that's it.
- 0378 *So, we tossed this here, little lot.* So, we tossed this here, this little lot.
- 0379 *And he filled them all up again.* And he filled them all up again.
- 0380 *Now we'll drink the health of the Lord of the Manor.* Now we'll drink to the health of the Lord of the Manor.
- 0381 *That was Sir what's his name.* That was Sir- what's his name.

- 0382 *And: Then we had to drink the health of somebody else.* And then we had to drink to the health of somebody else.
- 0383 *So we had, say - I know we had three or four we had drink the health of.* So we had, say - I know we had three or four we had to drink to the health of.
- 0384 *And then we had some beer.* And then we had some beer.
- 0385 *Well, I'd no- never go- been used to spirits of any sort - I whether, what it was, I'd never did know.* Well, I'd never been used to spirits of any sort - what it was, I'd never did know.
- 0386 *But this old room was going round and round.* But this old room was going around and around.
- 0387 *And I sit there, and I'd had mi meal, and all of a sudden, the room started going round, you know.* And I sat there, and I'd had my meal, and all of a sudden, the room started going around, you know.
- 0388 *And I said to a chap, now I said, I'm pretty near boozed.* And I said to a chap, I'm pretty near boozed.
- 0389 *He says, You look as if you were quite.* He says, You look as if you were quite.
- 0390 *So, Oh, I said, Well, I'm off.* So, Oh, I said, Well, I'm off.
- 0391 *No, Don't go yet, they said.* No, Don't go yet, they said.
- 0392 *I said, No, I'm off.* I said, No, I'm off.
- 0393 *And I got out and when I, when I got out, got out in the air, I properly had it.* And I got out and when I got out in the air, I properly had it.
- 0394 *I staggered about all over the place.* I staggered about all over the place.
- 0395 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0396 *This josseler chap at this pub put mi mare in - she was easy to put in - and I got up and they said I went through Wye as if I 'as mad - full gallop.* This josseler chap at this pub put my mare in - she was easy to put in - and I got up and they said I went through Wye as if I was mad - in full gallop.
- 0397 *And when I got home, the mare was l- white with lather, from head to foot.* And when I got home, the mare was white with lather, from head to foot.
- 0398 *My father come out and he started swearing, What the hell you been up to with her?* My father came out and he started swearing, What the hell you been up to with her?
- 0399 *I got up in the cart and pitched right out in the, in the yard.* I got up in the cart and pitched right out in the yard.
- 0400 *Had to carry me indoors.* He had to carry me indoors.

2.9 Utterances 0401–0450

- 0401 *I's drunk as hell.* I was drunk as hell.
- 0402 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0403 *I never forget.* I'll never forget.
- 0404 *I thought about that when I was up in bed; I thought to myself, I never told him that.* I thought about that when I was up in bed; I thought to myself, I never told him that.
- 0405 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0406 *[INT] Did you go every year after that?* [INT] Did you go every year after that?
- 0407 *Hey?* Hey?
- 0408 *[INT] Did you go every year afterwards?* [INT] Did you go every year afterwards?
- 0409 *No, I wouldn't go no more.* No, I wouldn't go no more.
- 0410 *Father said, No, They can come fetch their quit rent, they want it; says, You ain't going down there no more.* Father said, No, They can come fetch their quit rent, if they want it; he said, You ain't going down there no more.
- 0411 *Well, never heard no more about it.* Well, we never heard no more about it.

- 0412 *It were just a day's out, that's what it is.* It was just a day out, that's what it was.
- 0413 *Lord Grand was giving his tenants a day out, you see.* Lord Grand was giving his tenants a day out, you see.
- 0414 *[INT] Was it a good dinner, or can't you remember?* [INT] Was it a good dinner, or can't you remember?
- 0415 *Oh, I don't know, it was cold meat, jolly sure it was.* Oh, I don't know, it was cold meat, jolly sure it was.
- 0416 *Cold beef, I expect.* Cold beef, I expect.
- 0417 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0418 *Yeah. Hm!* Yeah. Hm!
- 0419 *[INT] How old were, were you when you moved to the farm at Molash?* [INT] How old were you when you moved to the farm at Molash?
- 0420 *When what?* When what?
- 0421 *[INT] How old, how old were you when you moved to Molash?* [INT] How old were you when you moved to Molash?
- 0422 *Mo- turn it up-* (unintelligible)
- 0423 *I was four when I come, we come to one cottage, the first move from Sittingbourne.* I was four when we came to one cottage, the first move from Sittingbourne.
- 0424 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0425 *Then we was there six years, as I was ten, when I went to the other house, in Molash.* Then we were there for six years, as I was ten, when I went to the other house, in Molash.
- 0426 *There was only a acre of ground of that, and father were, hadn't got room to move, you know; he was buying a lot of cobs, and you couldn't turn four or five in one meadow.* There was only a acre of ground of that, and father hadn't got room to move, you know; he was buying a lot of cobs, and you couldn't turn four or five in one meadow.
- 0427 *And then Butcher's farm on the opposite side of the road, that's all, come for let.* And then Butcher's farm on the opposite side of the road came for let.
- 0428 *And father went down to see the agent - Miller his name was, Bobby Miller - and eh, he'd let it to him.* And father went down to see the agent - Miller his name was, Bobby Miller - and he'd let it to him.
- 0429 *And then we took three acres off Lord - off Sir Wayne Bolton and eh, we was alright, see.* And then we took three acres off Sir Wayne Bolton and we were alright, see.
- 0430 *And that's what we finished up with.* And that's what we finished up with.
- 0431 *And we bought three cottages, and the other land, and they put eleven acres on it; there were twenty-s-, no, nine acres; there was twenty-six, they fixed us up the thirty-one; now there, there was three acres, nothing to do with it - twenty-six and nine, what's that?* And we bought three cottages, and the other land, and they put eleven acres on it; there were nine acres; there was twenty-six, they fixed us up the thirty-one; now there were three acres, with nothing to do with it - twenty-six and nine, what's that?
- 0432 *[INT] Thirty-five.* [INT] Thirty-five.
- 0433 *Oh, then there was sh- sh-* Oh, then there was-
- 0434 *It was thirt- thirty-one altogether; that was including the house.* It was thirty-one altogether; that was including the house.
- 0435 *Oh, no, then we bought two acres of orchard, off Adam, what, back here, lives back here, so as we could get from one field our house to another field without going up the main road.* Oh, no, then we bought two acres of orchard, off Adam, what lives back here, so as we could get from one field our house to another field without going up the main road.
- 0436 *That's why we bought that.* That's why we bought that.
- 0437 *[INT] Hhm. What sort of things did you ehr do on the farm, you know, apart from horse dealing and some arable? Anything?* [INT] Hhm. What sort of things did you do on the farm, you know, apart from horse dealing and some arable? Anything?

- 0438 *Well, we used, we used to use our own corn, we used to grow oats, and father used to keep'em for his horses.* Well, we used to use our own corn, we used to grow oats, and father used to keep'em for his horses.
- 0439 *And hay and that, that's all.* And hay and that's all.
- 0440 *He wouldn't sell anything.* He wouldn't sell anything.
- 0441 *He told me, advised me, when I took a farm, Whatever you do, let all your corn walk away!* He told me, he advised me, when I took a farm, Whatever you do, let all your corn walk away!
- 0442 *You understand that?* You understand that?
- 0443 *Feed it on the farm.* Feed it on the farm.
- 0444 *Don't sell it.* Don't sell it.
- 0445 *Feed it on the farm - Well, you can't do it on a two-hundred acre farm, can you?* Feed it on the farm - Well, you can't do it on a two-hundred acre farm, can you?
- 0446 *But, of course, he'd never dreamt of having a two-hundred acre farm.* But, of course, he'd never dreamt of having a two-hundred acre farm.
- 0447 *He told me I was mad when I took sixty.* He told me I was mad when I took sixty.
- 0448 *He come and looked at it - and I had it three year rent-free.* He come and looked at it - and I had it three year rent-free.
- 0449 *That was in nineteen twenty-six.* That was in nineteen twenty-six.
- 0450 *He was just very ill, he was.* He was just very ill, he was.

2.10 Utterances 0451–0500

- 0451 *He used to drive an old pony up till he died, pretty near.* He used to drive an old pony up till he died, pretty near.
- 0452 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0453 *And he give me the pony and told me to have him killed when I done wi' him.* And he give me the pony and told me to have him killed when I done with him.
- 0454 *I had him killed the next week.* I had him killed the next week.
- 0455 *He was too old 't do anything with.* He was too old to do anything with.
- 0456 *[INT] So you had some corn. Was the rest just pasture for the-* [INT] So you had some corn. Was the rest just pasture for the-
- 0457 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0458 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0459 *[INT] Was the rest just pasture for the horses on the farm?* [INT] Was the rest just pasture for the horses on the farm?
- 0460 *Yes.* Yes.
- 0461 *Oh, yes, we used to turn them out.* Oh, yes, we used to turn them out.
- 0462 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0463 *Make hay, and then used to keep a couple of good horses and no bearing as what they were.* Make hay, and then used to keep a couple of good horses and no bearing as what they were.
- 0464 *Never had two s-, the same horses together long, because they was always selling one of'em, see, and then buying another one.* We never had the same horses together long, because they were always selling one of'em, see, and then buying another one.
- 0465 *Sometimes he hadn't only got one; sometimes he'd got four.* Sometimes he hadn't only got one; sometimes he'd got four.
- 0466 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0467 *I've been bit all over, with the horses.* I've been bit all over, by the horses.
- 0468 *I had, I carried the marks on mi shoulder for six weeks where a horse fixed me right across the shoulder.* I carried the marks on my shoulder for six weeks where a horse fixed me right across the shoulder.
- 0469 *I've had marks there where a horse bit me* I've had marks there where a horse bit me there

- there - no, that eye, it was.
- 0470 Hhm.
- 0471 Oh, I've been bitten all over.
- 0472 Never was kicked.
- 0473 I always looked out and give'em plenty of room for the for the legs.
- 0474 [INT] Do you think it was good advice your father had for-
- 0475 Hhm?
- 0476 [INT] Do you think it was a good way of running a small farm, like he did? Do you think he could've do-
- 0477 Well, he got a living.
- 0478 That's all mattered, wasn't it?
- 0479 And see, Mother got a good job in the post office, she was, got a good job.
- 0480 She was a bit religious, my mother was.
- 0481 She used to take the children to Sunday School, and arrange outings for the parson; she was very fond of the parson.
- 0482 I was in the choir, I told you.
- 0483 Hhm.
- 0484 My father wadn't religious at all; but he was straight.
- 0485 That's all the religion he was.
- 0486 Too straight to be horse dealer, to get a good living like.
- 0487 [INT] What, you had to be a bit underhand, did you, to make a-?
- 0488 You want to be a little twisty, you know.
- 0489 Never tell them the truth, horse dealers didn't, but my father used to tell them the truth; he wouldn't send a horse to a man if it wadn't genuine.
- 0490 He wouldn't send a horse to a man if he knew it didn't suit him.
- 0491 He used to send them down to Old Slippery.
- 0492 [INT] Hhm.
- 0493 Let him do that job.
- 0494 But they got on; we got on well with horses.
- 0495 Hhm.
- 0496 Used to always keep a lot of pigs.
- 0497 You always used to keep quite a lot of pigs.
- 0498 A few sheep.
- 0499 My neighbour, he used to come and help me when I doing the lambing.
- 0500 If I had any trouble, I only had to go down Adam's; it was just about - ooh, five minutes' walk.
- no, that eye, it was.
- Hhm.
- Oh, I've been bitten all over.
- Never was kicked.
- I always looked out and give'em plenty of room for the for the legs.
- [INT] Do you think it was good advice your father had for-
- Hhm?
- [INT] Do you think it was a good way of running a small farm, like he did? Do you think he could've do-
- Well, he got a living.
- That's all mattered, wasn't it?
- And see, Mother got a good job in the post office, she got a good job.
- She was a bit religious, my mother was.
- She used to take the children to Sunday School, and arrange outings for the parson; she was very fond of the parson.
- I was in the choir, I told you.
- Hhm.
- My father wasn't religious at all; but he was straight.
- That's all the religion he was.
- Too straight to be horse dealer, to get a good living like.
- [INT] What, you had to be a bit underhand, did you, to make a-?
- You want to be a little twisty, you know.
- Never tell them the truth, horse dealers didn't, but my father used to tell them the truth; he wouldn't send a horse to a man if it wadn't genuine.
- He wouldn't send a horse to a man if he knew it didn't suit him.
- He used to send them down to Old Slippery.
- [INT] Hhm.
- Let him do that job.
- But they got on; we got on well with horses.
- Hhm.
- Used to always keep a lot of pigs.
- You always used to keep quite a lot of pigs.
- A few sheep.
- My neighbour, he used to come and help me when I doing the lambing.
- If I had any trouble, I only had to go down Adam's; it was just about five minutes' walk.

2.11 Utterances 0501–0550

- 0501 *He used to come up here, and he'd come over and help me, 'cause I didn't know nothing about taking a lamb out of a ewe, did I?* He used to come up here, and he'd come over and help me, because I didn't know nothing about taking a lamb out of a ewe, did I?
- 0502 *Not at my age.* Not at my age.
- 0503 *[INT] What did you do with the lambs and-?* [INT] What did you do with the lambs and-?
- 0504 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0505 *[INT] What did you do with, with the lambs?* [INT] What did you do with the lambs?
- 0506 *Lambs? My father used to bring them up, and take'em to market.* Lambs? My father used to bring them up, and take'em to market.
- 0507 *In the olden days, going back now to when we first came to Molash, when I was, from four to ten, our neighbour used to go to Ashford with two sheep, in the back of his cart, every Tuesday, to pay, to get money to pay his men, and live on - two sheep.* In the olden days, going back now to when we first came to Molash, when I was, from four to ten, our neighbour used to go to Ashford with two sheep, in the back of his cart, every Tuesday, to get money to pay his men and live on, two sheep.
- 0508 *About a fiver, the two used to come to.* About a fiver, the two used to come to.
- 0509 *He w's lucky if he got six.* He was lucky if he got six.
- 0510 *So, that shows what you paid your men.* So, that shows what you paid your men.
- 0511 *I had sixteen shillings a week, when I got married in nineteen twelve.* I had sixteen shillings a week, when I got married in nineteen twelve.
- 0512 *And mi father's cottage, and that was two bob a week - we'd let the cottage two bob a week, and we had to give the man a week's notice, to get out, so that I could go in when we got married - well, we give him a month's notice, 'cause I knew when I was going to get married.* And my father's cottage, and that was two bob a week - we'd let the cottage for two bob a week, and we had to give the man a week's notice to get out, so that I could go in when we got married - well, we gave him a month's notice, because I knew when I was going to get married.
- 0513 *Veer his name was, old Gregory Veer, he used to work for us.* Veer his name was, old Gregory Veer, he used to work for us.
- 0514 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0515 *[INT] Y- You did have men on the farm?* [INT] You did have men on the farm?
- 0516 *He used to work odd, you know, when we was harvesting or anything, when we wanted a little help, setting wurzel out.* He used to work odd jobs, you know, when we were harvesting or anything, when we wanted a little help, setting wurzel out.
- 0517 *Well, I couldn't do that.* Well, I couldn't do that.
- 0518 *Setting wurzel out.* Setting wurzel out.
- 0519 *You used to drill your wurzel, and they used to come up, perhaps as thick as that.* You used to drill your wurzel, and they used to come up, perhaps as thick as that.
- 0520 *See?* See?
- 0521 *You'd get ten in a foot.* You'd get ten in a foot.
- 0522 *Well, you only wanted one in a foot.* Well, you only wanted one in a foot.
- 0523 *So the other nine had to be chopped out, didn't they?* So the other nine had to be chopped out, didn't they?
- 0524 *I used to give a man six bob an acre, to go and set your wurzel out.* I used to give a man six bob an acre, to go and set your wurzel out.
- 0525 *We used to call it setting the wurzel out.* We used to call it setting the wurzel out.
- 0526 *I got my old hoe out there yesterday.* I got my old hoe out there yesterday.
- 0527 *I told my son, if he - my grandson, I said, If they want you to settin' the wurzel out - 'course, I never thought - I said, Don't forget I got a hoe pur- made purpose with corners,* I told my my grandson, I said, If they want you to set the wurzel out - of course, I never thought - I said, Don't forget I got a hoe made purpose with sharp corners for hooking them out.

- sharp corners for, hook'em out.*
- 0528 *See?* See?
- 0529 *And eh, he says, Well, we don't set none out.* And he says, Well, we don't set none out.
- 0530 *'Course they got automatic drills now that put one in where it's wanted, every foot, see.* Of course they got automatic drills now that put one in where it's wanted, every foot, see.
- 0531 *My son's got electric drill.* My son's got an electric drill.
- 0532 *That's what he puts his swedes in with - this drill.* That's what he puts his swedes in with - this drill.
- 0533 *[INT] What did you do with the nine you dug out?* [INT] What did you do with the nine you dug out?
- 0534 *Them dropped dead.* They dropped dead.
- 0535 *They would only be about that high.* They would only be about that high.
- 0536 *They'd wither up in a day.* They'd wither up in a day.
- 0537 *[INT] Why did you plant so many? Was it-* [INT] Why did you plant so many? Was it-
- 0538 *Well, you can - with the drill I made; it's sold now.* Well, you can - with the drill I made; it's sold now.
- 0539 *I had it made, cost thirteen pound, in nineteen twenty-six.* I had it made, cost thirteen pound, in nineteen twenty-six.
- 0540 *I sold it three years ago for five shillings.* I sold it three years ago for five shillings.
- 0541 *And we've kept it all that time.* And we've kept it all that time.
- 0542 *Used it right up till we thought, till I give up, and this - James bought this automatic drill.* Used it right up until I gave up, and James bought this automatic drill.
- 0543 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0544 *That cost thirteen quid - Tetts-made, it was made to order. I was the first one to have a three, three-row Kent drill.* That cost thirteen quid - Tetts-made, it was made to order. I was the first one to have a three-row Kent drill.
- 0545 *That put in three rows; the old ones always put in two - Tetts-made.* That put in three rows; the old ones always put in two - Tetts-made.
- 0546 *Tetts' been in Faversham ever since I can remember.* Tetts' been in Faversham ever since I can remember.
- 0547 *And I went down there, and I said to this chap, the manager, I says, This blooming thing, I says, I got a three, I got a shim, what we used to clean'em up between the rows - does three rows.* And I went down there, and I said to this chap, the manager, I said, This blooming thing, I said, I got a shim, what we used to clean'em up between the rows - that does three rows.
- 0548 *I said, With that two row thing, I says, It's harder this; sometimes you get one close, then your sh- plate takes the row out, you see.* I said, With that two row thing, I says, It's harder to do this; sometimes you get one close, then your plate takes the row out, you see.
- 0549 *I said, You, can't you build me one, I said, With three rows?* I said, You, can't you build me one, I said, With three rows?
- 0550 *Yeah, Can if you like.* Yeah, I can, if you like.

2.12 Utterances 0551-0600

- 0551 *And they cost me thirteen quid.* And it cost me thirteen quid.
- 0552 *And they built it.* And they built it.
- 0553 *[INT] Nineteen twenty-six?* [INT] In Nineteen twenty-six?
- 0554 *In nineteen twenty-six.* In nineteen twenty-six.
- 0555 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0556 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0557 *And I s-, we used it up to - oh, well we used it* And we used it up to - oh, well, we used it all the

- all the time we was there - eight years - that were the first year I was over there, I said, I'll never borrow no more tools.*
- 0558 *I bought a new corn drill, and eh, my old man what was bankrupt, he was going out the farm, he says, First man who'll want to borrow that, he says, Is Paulson.*
- 0559 *That's next door.*
- 0560 *Enh.*
- 0561 *Well, I says, He won't borrow it, 'cause I shan't lend it to him.*
- 0562 *And since ever we started putting grey peas in - that's the first thing you put in on a farm - grey peas, in the old days.*
- 0563 *Don't grow 'em now.*
- 0564 *Up come Paulson: Lend us your drill, I want to put my grey peas in. And I was, No, I shan't lend it to you.*
- 0565 *He says, You're a tidy neighbour!*
- 0566 *That was the first year, see.*
- 0567 *I said, Well, I that'll want doing repairing, I says, In about three years' time, who's going to do it, you?*
- 0568 *Oh, I don't know.*
- 0569 *Well, I said, You can have it.*
- 0570 *I said, But it'll cost you shilling an acre.*
- 0571 *See?*
- 0572 *And then that'll outdo the repairs, won't it?*
- 0573 *Hhm, You know, I don't want it, he says.*
- 0574 *So he never come borrowed anything else off me.*
- 0575 *That's how laddie I've been.*
- 0576 *[INT] Why did you plant grey peas or what were they?*
- 0577 *Eh, just ordinary peas like the peas today, only they were grey peas that we used to feed the sheep with, pigs.*
- 0578 *Finest thing in the world for little pigs.*
- 0579 *Wean - eh, you know, up to six weeks old.*
- 0580 *[INT] Hhm.*
- 0581 *Always used to grow a bit of grey peas.*
- 0582 *[INT] Did your father grow them then, on his farm?*
- 0583 *Hhm?*
- 0584 *[INT] Did your father grow them on his farm at Molash?*
- 0585 *No, he didn't.*
- 0586 *Only had a bit of oats.*
- 0587 *No, he just growed oats for his horses, see.*
- 0588 *[INT] What did he feed his pigs on then?*
- 0589 *Old miller used to come round with old horse*
- time we were there - eight years - that was the first year I was over there, when I said, I'll never borrow no more tools.
- I bought a new corn drill, and my old man, who was bankrupt, he was going out the farm and he said, First man who'll want to borrow that, he said, Is Paulson.
- That's next door.
- Enh.
- Well, I says, He won't borrow it, because I shan't lend it to him.
- And since ever we started putting grey peas in - that's the first thing you put in on a farm - grey peas, in the old days.
- You don't grow 'em now.
- Up come Paulson: Lend us your drill, I want to put my grey peas in. And I said, No, I shan't lend it to you.
- He says, You're a tidy neighbour!
- That was the first year, see.
- I said, Well, I that'll want doing repairing, I says, In about three years' time, who's going to do it, you?
- Oh, I don't know.
- Well, I said, You can have it.
- I said, But it'll cost you shilling an acre.
- See?
- And then that'll outdo the repairs, won't it?
- Hhm, You know, I don't want it, he says.
- So he never come borrowed anything else off me.
- That's how laddie I've been.
- [INT] Why did you plant grey peas or what were they?
- Eh, just ordinary peas like the peas today, only they were grey peas that we used to feed the sheep with, pigs.
- Finest thing in the world for little pigs.
- Wean - eh, you know, up to six weeks old.
- [INT] Hhm.
- You always used to grow a bit of grey peas.
- [INT] Did your father grow them then, on his farm?
- Hhm?
- [INT] Did your father grow them on his farm at Molash?
- No, he didn't.
- Only had a bit of oats.
- No, he just grew oats for his horses, see.
- [INT] What did he feed his pigs on then?
- The old miller used to come around with his old

- and cart, and a bag of sharps, seven bob.*
- 0590 *Or middlings, they call'em now, don't they; we used to call'em sharps.* horse and cart, and a bag of sharps, for seven bob.
- 0591 *Barley meal, that was about eight bob, hundredweight, already ground delivered.* Or middlings, they call'em now, don't they; we used to call'em sharps.
- 0592 *Hhm.* Barley meal, that was about eight bob, hundredweight, delivered already ground.
- 0593 *Always used to grow mangel for the old sows; these wurzel, you know what a mangel-wurzel is, he used to give them to the old sows.* Hhm.
- 0594 *The sheep.* He always used to grow mangel for the old sows; these wurzel, you know what a mangel-wurzel is, he used to give them to the old sows.
- 0595 *Horses, ooh, they love them, horses do.* The sheep.
- 0596 *Oh, they do love them.* Horses, ooh, they love them, horses do.
- 0597 *If you, we've had, I've gone in and the old horses got used to having one; we give them one a day, see - just for a relish.* Oh, they do love them.
- 0598 *And if they hear you chuck one up in the manger, the others holler like hell.* I've gone in and the old horses got used to having one; we gave them one a day, see - just for a relish.
- 0599 *You know, they want theirs.* And if they hear you chuck one up in the manger, the others holler like hell.
- 0600 *Hhm.* You know, they want theirs.

2.13 Utterances 0601–0650

- 0601 *Go-* Go-
- 0602 *[INT] Hhm. Wasn't keeping pigs a risky business?* [INT] Hhm. Wasn't keeping pigs a risky business?
- 0603 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0604 *[INT] Was keeping pigs a risky business?* [INT] Was keeping pigs a risky business?
- 0605 *Ooh, we never had swine fever.* Ooh, we never had swine fever.
- 0606 *I don't think there was, I don't think I can ever remember swine fever.* I don't think there was, I don't think I can ever remember swine fever.
- 0607 *We never had it.* We never had it.
- 0608 *Let me think there.* Let me think there.
- 0609 *There was a case in Boughton* There was a case in Boughton
- 0610 *I don't know whether that was swine fever or whether it wadn't.* I don't know whether that was swine fever or whether it wasn't.
- 0611 *It was closed, we went along there one day and the police told us we got to go some other way, 'cause there was something, I think, I don't know, or it may have been swine fever.* It was closed, we went along there one day and the police told us we got to go some other way, because there was something, I think, I don't know, it may have been swine fever.
- 0612 *I don't know.* I don't know.
- 0613 *They, they eh, if you had anything the matter with the pig, eh, you had to notify the ministry, you know.* If you had anything the matter with the pig, you had to notify the ministry, you know.
- 0614 *And eh, we'd got an old sow.* And we'd got an old sow.
- 0615 *[INT] When is this? Is it-* [INT] When is this? Is it-
- 0616 *Oh, this is going back now, when I, when I, I was at home from that war - home from the army.* Oh, this is going back now, when I was at home from that war - home from the army.
- 0617 *I was seventeen then.* I was seventeen then.
- 0618 *And this sow was queer, and she got purple* And this sow was queer, and she got purple

- spots on her, come out on her skin.
- 0619 *So, we got hold of the police, and they notified the ministry.* So, we got hold of the police, and they notified the ministry.
- 0620 *Mhm, a bloke come up, said, Well, he said, We shall have to shoot her.* Mhm, a bloke come up, hesaid, Well, he said, We shall have to shoot her.
- 0621 *He says, Then I can open her and find out what's the matter with her, see.* He says, Then I can open her and find out what's the matter with her, see.
- 0622 *So he says, You gonna shoot her?* So he says, You gonna shoot her?
- 0623 *I'd, You gonna shoot her? He says, No, he says, You shoot her.* I said, You gonna shoot her? He says, No, he says, You shoot her.
- 0624 *So I went in and got mi gun.* So I went in and got my gun.
- 0625 *Still got the same gun; that's going back some, innit?* I've still got the same gun; that's going back some, innit?
- 0626 *And eh, no, this ain't; that's wrong. That was the second year's war; this side but that gun is from first year's war is what I'm talking about - early on.* And no, this ain't right; that's wrong. That was the second year's war; but that gun is from first year's war - that's what I'm talking about - early on.
- 0627 *You know, he went in the chicken house whilst I shot it.* You know, he went in the chicken house whilst I shot it.
- 0628 *He was frightened.* He was frightened.
- 0629 *I looked around, thought where's he gone to, and he come crawling out of the chicken house* I looked around and thought where's he gone to, and he came crawling out of the chicken house
- 0630 *I shot her right in the forehead.* I shot her right in the forehead.
- 0631 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0632 *And eh, oh, he took her organs out of her, you know, and he says, You can do what you like with the rest, he says, I should advise you to bury it.* And he took her organs out of her, you know, and he said, You can do what you like with the rest, he said, I should advise you to bury it.
- 0633 *He says, I'll give you an order to buy a - a bushel of lime.* He said, I'll give you an order to buy a bushel of lime.
- 0634 *You bury her six foot deep, and cover her with a bushel of lime, he says.* You bury her six foot deep, and cover her with a bushel of lime, he said.
- 0635 *I think he give us four and six, to do that, and buy the lime.* I think he give us four and six, to do that, and buy the lime.
- 0636 *That was four pence, I think, that lime; that wadn't very dear.* That was four pence, I think, that lime; that wasn't very dear.
- 0637 *And there was a chap next door to us, he was a runagate chap.* And there was a chap next door to us, he was a runagate chap.
- 0638 *He- he, well, a runagate chap was a chap 'as got a living anyhow, as long as he got a bob or two, he was landed, see.* Well, a runagate chap was a chap who has got a living anyhow, as long as he got a bob or two, he was landed, see.
- 0639 *So, Father fetched Brian Connor up, and says, Bury that old sow for us, Brian?* So, Father fetched Brian Connor up, and said, Bury that old sow for us, Brian?
- 0640 *He says, How much you gonna give me?* He said, How much you gonna give me?
- 0641 *Father says, Five bob.* Father said, Five bob.
- 0642 *He says, Alright, I'll do it.* He said, Alright, I'll do it.
- 0643 *He says, You got to go down six foot, and then chuck that bushel of lime on her. He says, Alright.* Father said, You got to go down six foot, and then chuck that bushel of lime on her. And he said, Alright.
- 0644 *So, he was out in there, digging this hole, to put this old sow in, you know.* So, he was out in there, digging this hole, to put this old sow in, you know.

- 0645 *And he was a chap, stood about six foot, you know.* And he was a chap who stood about six foot, you know.
- 0646 *Ha!* Ha!
- 0647 *He was down in the hole, we could just see the top of his head, when we went round the corner, and he peeped over the top, says, Ain't this deep enough, Edward? Yes, Father says, Put her in there.* He was down in the hole, we could just see the top of his head, when we went round the corner, and he peeped over the top and said, Isn't this deep enough, Edward? Yes, Father said, Put her in there.
- 0648 *Then he stood up; and it come up about here; he was squatted down in the hole.* Then he stood up; and it came up about here; he was squatted down in the hole.
- 0649 *Oh, I laughed for to've died.* Oh, I laughed for until I almost died.
- 0650 *And Father said, No, he says, You got to go deeper than that. No, he said, You said, Put her in there, he said, In she goes.* And Father said, No, he said, You got to go deeper than that. No, he said, You said, Put her in there, he said, In she goes.

2.14 Utterances 0651–0700

- 0651 *She never was put down more than three foot.* She never was put down more than three foot.
- 0652 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0653 *[INT] He was a bit of an old devil, was he this-?* [INT] He was a bit of an old devil, was he this-?
- 0654 *Hey?* Hey?
- 0655 *[INT] He was a bit of an old devil, was he, this chap?* [INT] He was a bit of an old devil, was he, this chap?
- 0656 *Oh, he was, a real'un.* Oh, he was, a real'un.
- 0657 *Yeah.* Yeah.
- 0658 *I used to have to go mole-catching on our farm; we used to have a lot of moles on our farm.* I used to have to go mole-catching on our farm; we used to have a lot of moles on our farm.
- 0659 *And I set these traps up, and they used to give us, s- skin a mole, and they used to give us threepence a skin, you know.* And I set these traps up, and they used to give us threepence a moleskin, you know.
- 0660 *You, when you got a dozen, and dried them, send'em up to London to a firm, and they gave us threepence a s-, three bob a dozen, for these moleskins.* When you got a dozen, and you dried them, you'd send'em up to London to a firm, and they gave us three bob a dozen, for these moleskins.
- 0661 *Used to cost tuppence for carriage - postage.* It used to cost tuppence for carriage - postage.
- 0662 *And I couldn't find one of these mole traps.* And I couldn't find one of these mole traps.
- 0663 *I knowed I'd put it there overnight.* I knew I'd put it there overnight.
- 0664 *Old Brian come along there, he says, Hello, Alistair - Hello, Brian.* Old Brian come along there, he says, Hello, Alistair - Hello, Brian.
- 0665 *I says in-, he said, What're you looking about for? Well I put a mole trap up here, I says, And I can't find it.* He said, What're you looking about for? Well I put a mole trap up here, I said, And I can't find it.
- 0666 *And he says, where did you put it? I said, Just here somewheres, I says, In a run - There were runs all over the place.* And he said, where did you put it? I said, Just here somewhere, I said, In a run - There were runs all over the place.
- 0667 *And him and me looked all around, for this mole trap, and we couldn't find it, you know.* And him and me looked all around, for this mole trap, and we couldn't find it, you know.
- 0668 *And I went down the - Father went down The George that night, and he says eh, Did you* And Father went down The George that night, and he said, Did you lose a mole trap this morn-

- lose a mole trap this morning? I says, Yeah.
- 0669 He says, Well, Brian Connor's just sold it to a chap down the pub for a pint.
- 0670 He, he found it. He said he picked it up and put it in his pocket.
- 0671 That's the sort of chap he was.
- 0672 But I liked him, he was oh, a very likeable man.
- 0673 He was about four year older than I was, I expect.
- 0674 Too sly for me, wadn't he?
- 0675 [INT] Too?
- 0676 Too sly for me, wadn't he?
- 0677 [INT] What does that mean?
- 0678 He found the mole trap and he pi- picked it up and popped it in his pocket.
- 0679 [INT] Hhm. He wasn't much older than you?
- 0680 About four years.
- 0681 [INT] Hhm.
- 0682 Hhm.
- 0683 [INT] How, how old was he, when he was doing all this?
- 0684 Bu- hey?
- 0685 [INT] Ah, when are we talking about with the ehm mole trap. Hhm, when would that be?
- 0686 Ooh, that would be when I was about eighteen - seventeen, eighteen.
- 0687 [INT] Hhm. Who was the firm? Did you, how did you find out about it?
- 0688 Hey?
- 0689 [INT] How did you find out about this firm that bought moleskins?
- 0690 Advertise, they used to advertise for'em.
- 0691 They used to make moleskin dresses, didn't they?
- 0692 [INT] Hhm.
- 0693 Were coats for women.
- 0694 [INT] Could you get rid of rabbits' pelts like that?
- 0695 No, no. You could get a penny for a rabbit skin, and then the old gypsies used to come round and collect them; I don't know what they done with them.
- 0696 If it wadn't shot, if it was a shot, you only got ha'penny, if it was snared, you get a penny.
- 0697 You tell by the skin, you look inside, see the shot marks in it, you see.
- 0698 And you, you were, used to get fifteen shillings for a fox skin.
- 0699 I st-, I'd catch a fox in a hare wire; we used to set some snares up for hares, you know -
- ing? I said, Yeah.
- He said, Well, Brian Connor's just sold it to a chap down the pub for a pint.
- He found it. He said he picked it up and put it in his pocket.
- That's the sort of chap he was.
- But I liked him, he was a very likeable man.
- He was about four year older than I was, I expect.
- Too sly for me, wasn't he?
- [INT] Too?
- Too sly for me, wasn't he?
- [INT] What does that mean?
- He found the mole trap and he picked it up and popped it in his pocket.
- [INT] Hhm. He wasn't much older than you?
- About four years.
- [INT] Hhm.
- Hhm.
- [INT] How old was he, when he was doing all this?
- Bu- hey?
- [INT] Ah, when are we talking about with the mole trap. Hhm, when would that be?
- Ooh, that would be when I was about eighteen - seventeen, eighteen.
- [INT] Hhm. Who was the firm? How did you find out about it?
- Hey?
- [INT] How did you find out about this firm that bought moleskins?
- Advertise, they used to advertise for'em.
- They used to make moleskin dresses, didn't they?
- [INT] Hhm.
- Those were coats for women.
- [INT] Could you get rid of rabbits' pelts like that?
- No, no. You could get a penny for a rabbit skin, and then the old gypsies used to come round and collect them; I don't know what they did with them.
- If it wasn't shot; if it was shot, you only got half a penny, if it was snared, you got a penny.
- You tell by the skin, you look inside, see the shot marks in it, you see.
- And you used to get fifteen shillings for a fox skin.
- I'd catch a fox in a hare wire; we used to set some snares up for hares, you know - properly make

- proper make them, I used to make them.*
 0700 *And I went down there one morning, was a fox in this net - this wire.*
- them, I used to make them.
 And I went down there one morning, and there was a fox in this net, this wire.

2.15 Utterances 0701–0750

- 0701 *And I eh I went to him; I thought I'll to myself, Tap him on the head, and take him home and skin him, see.*
 0702 *Hhm.*
 0703 *Ooh, when I went up to him, he flew at me.*
 0704 *Oh, I said, If that's how you feel, I said, We'll both argue about that, so I stepped back a bit and shot him.*
 0705 *I'd got mi gun; always carried a gun.*
 0706 *Hhm.*
 0707 *So, I messed the skin up.*
 0708 *It wadn't no good then, 'cause I was close to him, you see, blowed the - a great hole in him.*
 0709 *Catched a deer in a snare one day. I went down there, as I told you, about how I always trained gun dogs.*
 0710 *And I got a beautiful Labrador dog with me.*
 0711 *All of a sudden he stopped short and his bristles went up and he growled, and I heard some crashing, I went in there, I'd got an old deer, in a hare snare, and his horns were caught in the snare, and his head was as-fixed right back to his neck, you see.*
 0712 *Hhm.*
 0713 *Thought to myself, well,*
 0714 *Didn't want to shoot him.*
 0715 *He was in a right old state. I, I got mi knife out, and he stood and looked at the old dog, and I rushed in at him, and caught hold of one front leg and one back leg and snatched him up on his back and down on him, and cut mi knife, I had mi knife, I cut his head half off.*
 0716 *And my father, oh, he did give me a dressing down.*
 0717 *Well, I said, I didn't want to waste a cartridge on him, I said, He was tied up.*
 0718 *He said, If he'd've cut you with his claw, he said, He'd have ripped your guts out.*
 0719 *He'd had your inside out, he said.*
 0720 *I didn't know that.*
 0721 *'Course, they d-, they strike and they're so sharp, their claws are, he says, It would have ripped your inside out.*
 0722 *Ah, I had got away with that, didn't I?*
- And I went to him; I thought I'll to myself, I'll tap him on the head, and take him home and skin him, see.
 Hhm.
 Ooh, when I went up to him, he flew at me.
 Oh, I said, If that's how you feel, I said, We'll both argue about that, so I stepped back a bit and shot him.
 I'd got my gun; I always carried a gun.
 Hhm.
 So, I messed the skin up.
 It wasn't no good then, because I was close to him, you see, I blew a great hole in him.
 I caught a deer in a snare one day. I went down there; I told you about how I always trained gun dogs.
 And I got a beautiful Labrador dog with me.
 All of a sudden he stopped short and his bristles went up and he growled, and I heard some crashing, I went in there, and I'd got an old deer in a hare snare, and his horns were caught in the snare, and his head was fixed right back to his neck, you see.
 Hhm.
 Thought to myself, well.
 I didn't want to shoot him.
 He was in a right old state. I got my knife out, and he stood and looked at the old dog, and I rushed in at him, and caught hold of one front leg and one back leg and snatched him up on his back and went down on him, and cut with my knife, I had my knife, I cut his head half off.
 And my father, oh, he did give me a dressing down.
 Well, I said, I didn't want to waste a cartridge on him, I said, He was tied up.
 He said, If he'd've cut you with his claw, he said, He'd have ripped your guts out.
 He'd had your inside out, he said.
 I didn't know that.
 Of course, they strike and they're so sharp, their claws are, he says, It would have ripped your inside out.
 Ah, I had got away with that, didn't I?

- 0723 [INT] *What did you do with it?* [INT] What did you do with it?
- 0724 *Oh, sold that to butcher.* Oh, we sold that to butcher.
- 0725 *That wadn't no trouble.* That wasn't no trouble.
- 0726 *Father come and fetched him in the cart and we took him down to butcher, and he dressed him and, oh I think he give me about fifteen bob or a pound for it.* Father came and fetched him in the cart and we took him down to the butcher, and he dressed him and, oh I think he give me about fifteen bob or a pound for it.
- 0727 [INT] *Wasn't that poaching then?* [INT] Wasn't that poaching then?
- 0728 *Huh?* Huh?
- 0729 [INT] *Was that poaching?* [INT] Was that poaching?
- 0730 *No, that wadn't poaching.* No, that wasn't poaching.
- 0731 *'Cause they was, we was allowed to get'em on your own land, you see.* Because we were allowed to get'em on your own land, you see.
- 0732 *No, but not allowed to go in the wood to shoot'em.* No, but you were not allowed to go in the wood to shoot'em.
- 0733 *Still, it wouldn't have mattered as well, the old keeper wouldn't a' said naught if I had.* Still, it wouldn't have mattered as well, the old keeper wouldn't have said anything if I had.
- 0734 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0735 [INT] *Hhm. Can you tell me anything about your mother's shop and post office?* [INT] Hhm. Can you tell me anything about your mother's shop and post office?
- 0736 *Well, we was ehh, we took the, this shop off a man named Paul Pinter when he went bankrupt.* Well, we took this shop off a man named Paul Pinter when he went bankrupt.
- 0737 *That was down in the corner, down the corner of the village.* That was down in the corner of the village.
- 0738 *It's a nice house now, they've made of it.* It's a nice house now, they've made of it.
- 0739 *And he went bankrupt, and Mother, she started the shop up herself, and applied for the post office and got it.* And he went bankrupt, and Mother, she started the shop up herself, and applied for the post office and got it.
- 0740 *Now, that was, that was the heart of the job, at the post, 'cause I think they paid her a pound a week.* Now, that was the heart of the job, at the post, because I think they paid her a pound a week.
- 0741 *See?* See?
- 0742 *That was a lot of money them days.* That was a lot of money them days.
- 0743 *But, of course, there was a lot of writing that was all had to be, and you had to be there when the postman called, nine o'clock in the morning, five o'clock at night, and then we had to distribute the - Mother had to go round the, eh - take the letters out, mind you, round the village.* But, of course, there was a lot of writing that was all had to be dealt with, and you had to be there when the postman called, nine o'clock in the morning, five o'clock at night, and then Mother had to go round the village and take the letters out, mind you, around the village.
- 0744 [INT] *She did that?* [INT] She did that?
- 0745 *No, the gi-, my sister done it.* No, my sister did it.
- 0746 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0747 *I think she was allowed five shillings a week for do that, my sister.* I think she was allowed five shillings a week for doing that, my sister.
- 0748 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0749 [INT] *Did you ever have to help in the shop?* [INT] Did you ever have to help in the shop?
- 0750 *Hhm?* Hhm?

2.16 Utterances 0751–0800

- 0751 [INT] *Did you ever help in the shop?* [INT] Did you ever help in the shop?
 0752 *No, oh no' me.* No, oh not me.
 0753 *She said I wadn't much help.* She said I wasn't much help.
 0754 *She said, I- You eat more sweets than I do profit.* She said, You eat more sweets than I do profit.
 0755 *And Father, he used to go in and get his f-'baccor out of the shop then; he wouldn't, he didn't pay for it.* And Father, he used to go in and get his tobacco out of the shop then; he didn't pay for it.
 0756 *But I always paid for mi cigarettes; I used to smoke.* But I always paid for my cigarettes; I used to smoke.
 0757 *Funny thing, I, I had a chap, I'd gotten a cigarette case what was given to me when I was - first started smoking cigarettes - when I was sixteen.* Funny thing, I, had a chap, I'd gotten a cigarette case what was given to me when I was - first started smoking cigarettes - when I was sixteen.
 0758 *Silver cigarette case, my sister give; my sisters clubbed together and bought it for me.* A silver cigarette case, my sister gave me; my sisters clubbed together and bought it for me.
 0759 *It got mi name and address printed inside, and it went away last week.* It got my name and address printed inside, and it went away last week.
 0760 *A friend of mine, see a - antique bloke, see it, and he says, I'd like my dad to see that, he says, and he took it away with him.* A friend of mine, went to see an antique bloke; he saw it, and he said, I'd like my dad to see that, he said, and he took it away with him.
 0761 *I'd have showed it to you.* I'd have showed it to you.
 0762 [INT] *Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
 0763 *Hhm.* Hhm.
 0764 *Got my name and address, Post Office and all, inside.* It got my name and address, Post Office and all, inside.
 0765 *I don't know what it's worth.* I don't know what it's worth.
 0766 *Solid silver, it weighed four ounces.* Solid silver, it weighed four ounces.
 0767 *What's it worth?* What's it worth?
 0768 [INT] *A fair bit.* [INT] A fair bit.
 0769 *About eight quid?* About eight quid?
 0770 [INT] *Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
 0771 *Two pound a ounce, innit?* Two pound a ounce, innit?
 0772 *And what it's worth with being antique, God only knows.* And what it's worth with being antique, God only knows.
 0773 [INT] *How did you get hold of it again?* [INT] How did you get hold of it again?
 0774 *My sisters gave it to me when I was sixteen. I started smoking ci- cigarettes: Players were a penny a packet for five; Woodbines were a penny a packet for five.* My sisters gave it to me when I was sixteen. I started smoking cigarettes: Players were a penny a packet for five; Woodbines were a penny a packet for five.
 0775 *Players got every - five cigarettes, and five holders, stuck in one another like funnels.* Players got five cigarettes, and five holders, stuck in one another like funnels.
 0776 *So, you stick your cigarette in the f- cigarette, in the funnel and smoke it, you see.* So, you stick your cigarette in the funnel and smoke it, you see.
 0777 *And they was a penny.* And they were a penny.
 0778 [INT] *Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
 0779 *Now what are they today?* Now what are they today?
 0780 *I don't ever smoke'em, do you? I don't like bought, I always made my cigarettes.* I don't ever smoke'em, do you? I don't like bought ones, I always made my cigarettes.

0781	<i>Always made mi own fags.</i>	Always made my own fags.
0782	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0783	<i>I smoked a pipe for a long time; I still smoke a pipe now - about once in, once a month.</i>	I smoked a pipe for a long time; I still smoke a pipe now - about once a month.
0784	<i>Somebody comes along with a load of 'baccer, I pipe anything in front now went in this, indoors, in the holder and anybody comes along got a bit of 'baccer, I say, I'll have a pipe o' 'baccer.</i>	Somebody comes along with a load of tobacco, I pipe anything in the holder and if anybody comes along got a bit of tobacco, I say, I'll have a pipe of tobacco.
0785	<i>Sometimes I put a cigar end in; I always smoked cigars, you see, latter part o' time, the last five years.</i>	Sometimes I put a cigar end in; I always smoked cigars, you see, in latter part of time, the last five years.
0786	<i>Them small cigars.</i>	Those small cigars.
0787	<i>And if I get a big'un, I'd put the end in the pipe.</i>	And if I get a big one, I'd put the end in the pipe.
0788	<i>I like a cigar.</i>	I like a cigar.
0789	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0790	<i>I had a standing order up the shop here for them.</i>	I had a standing order up the shop here for them.
0791	<i>Used to have four packets a week.</i>	Used to have four packets a week.
0792	<i>But I don't now; I can't - cost too much.</i>	But I don't have now; I can't - they cost too much.
0793	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0794	<i>Well, the doctor told me, Pack it up.</i>	Well, the doctor told me, Pack it up.
0795	<i>They ain't no good to you.</i>	They ain't no good to you.
0796	<i>I left off just like that, you know.</i>	I left off just like that, you know.
0797	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0798	<i>Didn't make no fuss.</i>	I didn't make no fuss.
0799	<i>Some of'em made a hell of a fuss leaving off.</i>	Some of'em made a hell of a fuss leaving off.
0800	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.

2.17 Utterances 0801–0850

0801	<i>Can't leave off, they say. But you can, you know, if your mind, make your mind up, can't you?</i>	I can't leave off, they say. But you can, you know, if make your mind up, can't you?
0802	<i>[INT] Hhm. I don't know; I've never smoked, so-</i>	[INT] Hhm. I don't know; I've never smoked, so-
0803	<i>You've never smoked?</i>	You've never smoked?
0804	<i>Oh, I think it's a mug's game.</i>	Oh, I think it's a mug's game.
0805	<i>[INT] Hhm.</i>	[INT] Hhm.
0806	<i>Although I always smoked.</i>	Although I always smoked.
0807	<i>I started smoking when I was at school.</i>	I started smoking when I was at school.
0808	<i>Buy a packet of Woodbines, two of us; put a penny together, ha'penny each.</i>	We'd buy a packet of Woodbines, two of us; we'd put a penny together, half a penny each.
0809	<i>Then when - got out of sight and had a smoke.</i>	Then we got out of sight and had a smoke.
0810	<i>Di- didn't dare let governor see us.</i>	We didn't dare let governor see us.
0811	<i>[INT] Did you ever get in trouble for smoking?</i>	[INT] Did you ever get in trouble for smoking?
0812	<i>No. No.</i>	No. No.
0813	<i>No, my father was a heavy smoker.</i>	No, my father was a heavy smoker.

- 0814 *He always smoked a pipe.* He always smoked a pipe.
- 0815 *No, he never made no fuss at all; not when I'd started, when I was younger, about fourteen or fifteen I was smoking cigarettes.* No, he never made no fuss at all; not when I'd started, when I was younger, at about fourteen or fifteen I was smoking cigarettes.
- 0816 *[INT] Did many women smoke in those days?* [INT] Did many women smoke in those days?
- 0817 *No.* No.
- 0818 *Never seen a woman smoke, only in the hop garden.* 'woman' -> <:ncs>?
- 0819 *[INT] What sort of women-* [INT] What sort of women-
- 0820 *See, those - London women come down for the hop gardens.* See, those London women come down for the hop gardens.
- 0821 *Here's the thing.* Here's the thing.
- 0822 *Every farm in - this - East Kent, of about a hundred acres, had got a bit of hops.* Every farm of about a hundred acres in this East Kent, had got a bit of hops.
- 0823 *You know, and they used to - the old women used to come down from London, and live in hopper huts, as we used to call them, pick these hops.* You know, and the old women used to come down from London, and live in hopper huts, as we used to call them, to pick these hops.
- 0824 *And when we were boys, and when we were only very small, we had to go out with Mother hop picking, and we had a basket, and we picked that basket, and then we could go play.* And when we were boys, and when we were only very small, we had to go out with Mother hop picking, and we had a basket, and we picked that basket, and then we could go play.
- 0825 *We had to pick a basket each, about, about a bushel.* We had to pick a basket each, about a bushel.
- 0826 *Well, a bushel - we had - three of us, we was and we used to have to fill this bushel basket.* Well, there were three of us and we used to have to fill this bushel basket.
- 0827 *I think you used to have seven pence a bushel for picking hops.* I think you used to have seven pence a bushel for picking hops.
- 0828 *That was, ohh, this field in front here was all hops; I can remember that.* That was, this field in front here was all hops; I can remember that.
- 0829 *[INT] Hhm. Used to go as a family, did you, when you were-* [INT] Hhm. You used to go as a family, did you, when you were-
- 0830 *Hhm?* Hhm?
- 0831 *[INT] You all used to go as a family, when you were young?* [INT] You all used to go as a family, when you were young?
- 0832 *Yes, there was me and - Mother used to take a bin - what they called a bin.* Yes, Mother used to take a bin - what they called a bin.
- 0833 *And eh, then you, they'd allot you so big a p-quantity as the children you'd got, they'd let you s- see, and if you're a bigger family, they had a bigger piece, and soon as you got your old basket full, that old five bushel, they come round and chucked this five bushel in a bag, took it away, and they'd give you a chit, piece of paper, say we've took one away, see, or two.* And they'd allot you so big a quantity as the children you'd got, and if you're a bigger family, you had a bigger piece, and as soon as you got your old basket full, that old five bushel, they come round and chucked this five bushel in a bag, took it away, and they'd give you a chit, piece of paper, to say we've took one away, see, or two.
- 0834 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0835 *My mother used to, we used to fill about three a day.* My mother used to, we used to fill about three a day.
- 0836 *Oh, it was fifteen bob a week, you know.* Oh, it was fifteen bob a week, you know.
- 0837 *Five days a week.* Five days a week.
- 0838 *Saturdays we didn't go.* Saturdays we didn't go.

- 0839 *Then they used to fetch'em and take'em down to the brewery.* Then they used to fetch'em and take'em down to the brewery.
- 0840 *We have sold, Father did sell the breweries barley once; he'd grow a bit of barley.* Father did sell the breweries barley once; he'd grow a bit of barley.
- 0841 *My father could mow, you know.* My father could mow, you know.
- 0842 *Six shillings an acre, he had, for mowing; he took six acres of barley to mow and he took six shillings an acre.* Six shillings an acre, he had, for mowing; he took six acres of barley to mow and he took six shillings an acre.
- 0843 *That was 'fore he went to Molash, when we's down 'n the other place.* That was before he went to Molash, when we were down in the other place.
- 0844 *When we's down at the old first cottage.* When we were down at the old first cottage.
- 0845 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0846 *That was the price, mowing barley, six shillings an acre.* That was the price for mowing barley, six shillings an acre.
- 0847 *And he could ow-, he could mow a acre a day.* And he could mow an acre a day.
- 0848 *Then we had to take it out; he used to mow it into the corn, see; that used to stand up against the corn, then you used to go along with your foot like that and take armful, lay it in a bond; he used to twist'em, with a straw, as he went back with his scythe, lay'em down, Mother used to nhn take'em out and, and eh, lay'em in the bond, and bind'em, and then we boys used to stand'em up.* Then we had to take it out; he used to mow it into the corn, see; that used to stand up against the corn, then you used to go along with your foot like that and take an armful, lay it in a bond; he used to twist'em, with a straw, as he went back with his scythe, lay'em down, Mother used to take'em out and, and lay'em in the bond, and bind'em, and then we boys used to stand'em up.
- 0849 *[INT] Lay them in the b- in the barn, was it?* [INT] Lay them in the in the barn, was it?
- 0850 *In the bond.* In the bond.

2.18 Utterances 0851–0900

- 0851 *[INT] Bond.* [INT] Bond.
- 0852 *And 'course we were doing it for a neighbour; he done it for a neighbour.* And of course we were doing it for a neighbour; he did it for a neighbour.
- 0853 *He did grow a little bit of barley out there and then he didn't reckon much of it.* He did grow a little bit of barley out there and then he didn't reckon much of it.
- 0854 *Brewery, we always had a barrel of beer in the house.* Brewery, we always had a barrel of beer in the house.
- 0855 *[INT] Alw-* [INT] Alw-
- 0856 *We had a nine gallon barrel of beer in the house - always, my father did.* We had a nine gallon barrel of beer in the house - always, my father did.
- 0857 *And the, the old dealer boys come along; he give'em a drop of beer.* And when the old dealer boys came along, he gave'em a drop of beer.
- 0858 *Hhm.* Hhm.
- 0859 *Us old boys would be drinking beer, too.* Us old boys would be drinking beer, too.
- 0860 *I got boozed one day, when I was, me and my brother.* We got boozed one day, me and my brother.
- 0861 *We got as drunk as pigs.* We got as drunk as pigs.
- 0862 *We got in the kitchen window, when Father and Mother was out, and we tried some wine.* We got in the kitchen window, when Father and Mother were out, and we tried some wine.
- 0863 *And we emptied the bottle.* And we emptied the bottle.
- 0864 *When they come home, we were both drunk.* When they come home, we were both drunk.
- 0865 *A damn good hiding we got, too.* A damn good hiding we got, too.

- 0866 *So that didn't do much good, did it?* So that didn't do much good, did it?
- 0867 *That ain't taking it all down, is it?* That isn't taking it all down, is it?
- 0868 *[INT] Yes, it's all on.* [INT] Yes, it's all on.
- 0869 *Good God!* Good God!
- 0870 *[INT] Did women often have to work on the land? Did lots of women work on the field?* [INT] Did women often have to work on the land? Did lots of women work on the field?
- 0871 *Oh eh, no. No, the, women didn't, only in seasonal work like, hop picking, cherry picking, apple picking and they used to go - don't think the women used to go on the land much.* Oh no. No, the, women didn't, only in seasonal work like hop picking, cherry picking, apple picking; I don't think the women used to go on the land much.
- 0872 *Stone picking they used to go; picking stones up for making the roads; they used to pay shilling a yard. My father paid shilling a yard, and my wife picked the stones.* Stone picking they used to go; picking stones up for making the roads; they used to pay shilling a yard. My father paid shilling a yard, and my wife picked the stones.
- 0873 *How's that?* How's that?
- 0874 *She knowed what 't is to work.* She knowed what it is to work.
- 0875 *She went pulling sugar beet in the war. That's what gave her hands - arthritis in her hands, in the last war.* She went pulling sugar beet in the war. That's what gave her arthritis in her hands, in the last war.
- 0876 *[INT] Hhm. When, did your mother used to work on the land even when she'd got the post office? You know, when you said she-* [INT] Hhm. Did your mother use to work on the land even when she'd got the post office? You know, when you said she-
- 0877 *No, she just, she helped Mum.* No, my wife, she just helped Mum.
- 0878 *She helped my, my mother, see.* She helped my mother, see.
- 0879 *She used to go in, indoors and help my mother, 'cause we lived next door, see.* She used to go indoors and help my mother, because we lived next door, see.
- 0880 *They lived in the, two cottage were made into the farmhouse.* They lived in the two cottage that were made into the farmhouse.
- 0881 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0882 *'fore we went there.* Before we went there.
- 0883 *And eh, then the cottage we let to old Veer's I told you, two shillings a week.* And then the cottage we let to old Veer's, I told you, for two shillings a week.
- 0884 *And when I got married, he moved, and I went in the cottage, and I lived in there until I went to Throwley.* And when I got married, he moved, and I went in the cottage, and I lived in there until I went to Throwley.
- 0885 *[INT] When was it you went to Throwley?* [INT] When was it you went to Throwley?
- 0886 *In nineteen twenty-six, when the General Strike was on.* In nineteen twenty-six, when the General Strike was on.
- 0887 *[INT] Hhm.* [INT] Hhm.
- 0888 *And that was a roughhouse.* And that was a roughhouse.
- 0889 *Coo!* Coo!
- 0890 *I'd got about a hundred pound in the bank, when I went there.* I'd got about a hundred pound in the bank, when I went there.
- 0891 *And I'd got about thr- thr- two hundred pounds' worth of stock, you know, horses and that.* And I'd got about two hundred pounds' worth of stock, you know, horses and that.
- 0892 *And the first year I lost the hundred pound; I hadn't got nothing.* And the first year I lost the hundred pound; I hadn't got nothing.
- 0893 *And next year I just hadn't got nothing.* And next year I just hadn't got nothing.
- 0894 *And the next year, I was nearly broke.* And the next year, I was nearly broke.

- 0895 *That was first three years.* That was first three years.
- 0896 *And I went to the bank, and eh told him that I was afraid to write a cheque, and he said, You carry on, he said, Write your cheques, he says, As you always have done.* And I went to the bank, and told the manager that I was afraid to write a cheque, and he said, You carry on, he said, Write your cheques, he said, As you always have done.
- 0897 *That was in nineteen twenty-six, mind you.* That was in nineteen twenty-six, mind you.
- 0898 *He says, You don't worry about anything else, says, You're doing alright.* He said, You don't worry about anything else, he said, You're doing alright.
- 0899 *'T was a good manager; he knew me; he'd been up to see me; he seen the farm.* It was a good manager; he knew me; he'd been up to see me; he had seen the farm.
- 0900 *He knew all the - Well, they kne- the farms - the bank managers them days, in the agricultural, knew as much about a farm as the farmer did, pretty well.* The bank managers in those days, in the agricultural, knew as much about a farm as the farmer did, pretty well.

2.19 Utterances 0901–0902

- 0901 *He'd been up and seen how was I doing mi job, see.* He'd been up and seen how was I doing my job, see.
- 0902 *And eh.* And eh.

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