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Seventy Miles from London, situate on the North coast of Kent is the little village of Birchington, and right down to the coastline, along the crest of the white cliffs, is being rapidly developed the Cliff Estate, under the joint endeavour of Mr John P. Seddon and Mr W. E. Martin. It is a delightful spot, and one of the healthiest. The bungalows sketched are a already complete and the other work is in progress.

The Broomhall and Philips' "lockjaw" tiles are being used in roofing. It was the delightful quiet and refreshment of this estate that Rossetti went to recuperate. The bungalow he occupies was the pleasantest imaginable to write of paint in.

Birchington possesses all the requirements of a first-class seaside resort, and the Cliff Estate, one of the pleasantest parts of it, will only need knowing it to be liked.

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