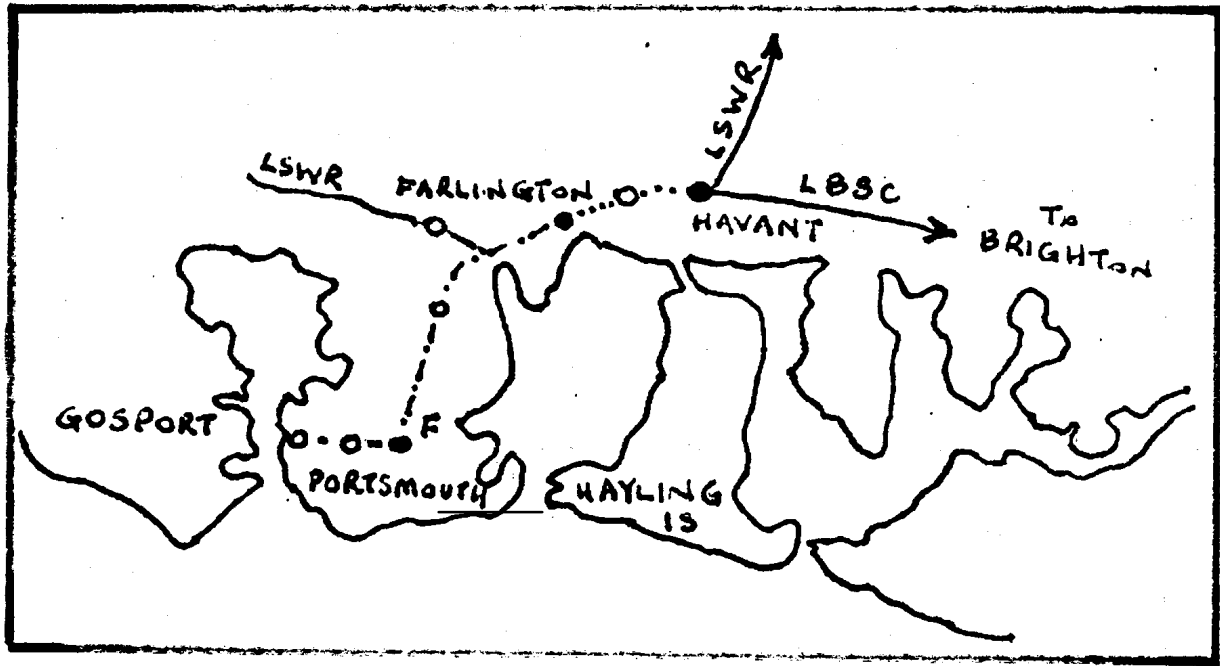


By John Button



In 1859 The LSWR completed the line from London to Portsmouth via Guildford. At Havant the line joined the Brighton to Portsmouth railway owned by the LBSCR which had been completed twelve years earlier. Up until the railway groupings the LSWR had running powers over the LBSCR line from Havant to Farlington. From Farlington to Portsmouth the line became joint property so perhaps the illustrated trade card was not unusual.

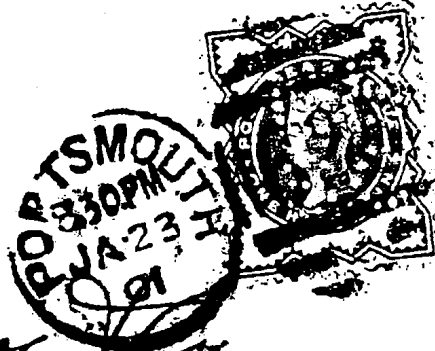
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