

## MINNEY. Harry 'Fernleigh', 68 Beatrice Road KETTERING

Harry Minney advertised himself as a Motor Contractor and General Carrier operating between Kettering and Rushden. It was in May 1920 that Harry submitted his application for a Hackney Carriage Licence to the Streets, Buildings & Sanitary Committee of Kettering Urban District Council and the required permit for an omnibus was duly granted on 19th of that month.

Shortly afterwards Harry Minney purchased a 40 horse power Daimler Y-type motor lorry fitted with a War Department style of body. It was painted grey and was registered BD 4562 on 29th May 1920 and, from the outset, was licensed for use as a public conveyance. The photographs on page 2 depict BD 4562 in lorry form and, whilst it would have been easy to fit bench seats to the existing bodywork, it is clear that to accommodate thirty-two passengers an inter-changeable charabanc body must have been utilised.

Harry Minney's first advertisement for outings at Whitsuntide 1920 appeared in the Kettering Evening Telegraph in May 1920 and he was still running ten day holiday transport to Great Yarmouth in July/August 1921. His name does not reappear in the Kettering Council's minute books in connection with the granting of subsequent licences so it is presumed his tenure ended after the 1921 holiday season.

### Rolling Stock:

Regn. No.	Chassis	Type	Chassis No.	Body	Seats	Dates			Former Owner	Disposal	Nts
						New	S/H	W/D			
BD 4562	Daimler	Y	6029	?	Lorry/B32	?	5/20	12/21?	War Department	?	1

**Notes:** 1 - BD 4562 last owned by Coltman Bros., Claybrook and last licensed as a goods vehicle 12/31.

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*By good fortune Harry Minney's Daimler Y-type lorry BD 4562 happened to be parked at Dalkeith Place, Kettering when the photographer took this picture. For excursion work it would have had its lorry body replaced by charabanc coachwork.*

*(Photo courtesy T Smith collection)*



*An enlargement of the photograph of BD 4562 shown above*