

REVIEWS.

SOME of the books published recently by Messrs. Blackie & Son are worthy of favourable notice. Among these, the palm must certainly be given to Dr. George MacDonald's *A ROUGH SHAKING* (6s.), which many of us have read before in the pages of *Atalanta*. The *raison d'être* of the story's title is the earthquake in the Riviera, which had such a marked effect upon the hero's after-life. 'He had had a rough shaking. The earthquake had come and gone, and come again and gone a many times. But the shaking earth was his nurse, and she taught him to dwell in a world that cannot be shaken.' The only fault that we have to find with this lovely tale is that there is not enough of it. The *dénouement* arrives with startling suddenness, and Clare's adventures are brought to a very abrupt, although exceedingly happy, conclusion. Much remains untold that the sympathetic reader longs to learn. He wants to know what became of Clare's baby, and of his other little girl-friend, of Mary and naughty Tommy, and, above all, of dear loving Abdiel, whose probably (we fear) tragical fate is at present wrapped in mystery. We hope, however, that Dr. MacDonald intends, in his frequent pleasant fashion, to present us shortly with another tale, which shall tell us, as the children say, 'all about it.' The book is prettily bound, has olive edges, and is very beautifully illustrated by W. Parkinson.—*THE LIGHT PRINCESS* (2s.), is the first of three fairy tales (in one volume) by the same fascinating writer. These are reprints, having made their first appearance so long ago as 1867. They are intensely metaphysical fairy-tales, with deep spiritual meanings. We consider *The Light Princess* the best of the three, and the children to whom we have read the stories seem also to prefer it to the others, although we had to omit for them the long-winded chapter expounding the theories of Hum-Drum the materialist, and Kopy-keek the spiritualist. The truth artistically set forth in this charming tale is the old one of the supremacy and prevailing might of self-sacrificing love.

'Death alone from death can save,
Love is death, and he is brave,
Love can fill the deepest grave,
Love loves on beneath the wave.'

—A book that will be esteemed a delightful one by lovers of animals and young people with a taste for natural history is *TWIXT SCHOOL AND COLLEGE* (5s.), by Dr. Gordon Stables. Boy-gardeners and lads who, whether for pleasure or profit (or, as the hero of this tale, for both), keep mouse pets, bird pets, or pigeon pets, may gather here some valuable hints. Though this is in the main a story of Scottish country life, it has an interesting description of student life in Aberdeen. The illustrations by W. Parkinson are excellent.—*A CHAPTER OF ADVENTURES* (3s. 6d.) is a first-rate sea story by that well-known writer, Mr. G. A. Henty. It is the history of Jack Robson, a fisher-lad of Leigh, who, having had the good fortune to take a leading part in the rescue of some wrecked persons, amongst whom were the ship's owner with his wife and daughter, is promoted by the grateful gentleman to be a midshipman of the mercantile marine. Subsequently Jack and his two companions, while ashore at Alexandria at the time of the Arabi Pasha disturbances, witness the rising of the native populace, and the bombardment of the forts by the English fleet, and pass through some painful experiences. The Egyptian episode is merely one of the 'adventures' described in the tale, which abounds in striking situations. The illustrations are by W. H. Overend.—*A RASH PROMISE*; or, *MRS'S SECRET* (2s.) is a tastefully illustrated story for little girls concerning a good small maiden whose sensitive conscience is overburdened with a naughty boy's secret. Of course the truth comes out at last with happy result all round.—*UNLUCKY* (1s. 6d.), by Caroline Austin, is a decidedly interesting but rather painful tale for girls. It is the old story of the step-mother, told, however, with a difference, for in stories of that class it is usually the child who is in the wrong, but in this one it is undoubtedly the selfish and stony stepmother. Not until the daughter gives her life for hers is the woman's hard heart melted. Then she exclaims, 'If I had but loved her!' and with these words the story ends. Perhaps it is a trifle morbid; certainly it is anything but cheerful.—More lively in tone is *THE SECRET OF THE OLD HOUSE* (2s. 6d.), written by Miss Everett-Green, and illustrated by L. Leslie Brooke. The character and temperament of Gerald Ducie, the boy who hates his grandfather, is a strange one. The story is fairly interesting and well told.

WE are not surprised to note that *DAYS PRING* (*Home Words* Publishing Office. 3s. 6d.), Mrs. Marshall's readable and interesting story of the time of William Tyndale, has reached now its second edition. This skilful compound of fact and fiction gives a good sketch of the chief events of Tyndale's heroic life, and is appropriately dedicated to the Lord Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Luke's, Liverpool.

On Monday, the 17th ult., eight members of the Lancashire Association rang a muffled peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in memory of the late Mr. Richard Williams in 2 hrs. 59 mins. R. S. Mann, 1; E. Coley, 2; W. James, 3; J. Aspinwall, 4; J. Brown, 5; W. Davis, 6; T. Hammond, 7; J. Martin, 8. Composed by Mr. Robert Williams (eldest son of the deceased), and conducted by Mr. Hammond. Tenor, 16½ cwt.

At All Saints', Alburgh, Norfolk.

On Saturday, the 22nd ult., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association rang a peal of 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 55 mins. E. Smith, 1; W. Sheldrake (first peal in the method, 79th year), 2; J. Bentley, 3; G. Prime, 4; G. Mobbs (first peal in the method), 5; F. Smith, 6; J. Souter, 7; Captain Moore, 8. Composed by the late Mr. Hubbard, and conducted by Mr. E. Smith. Tenor, 11 cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells.

At St. Lawrence's, Upton St. Leonard's, Gloucestershire.

On Saturday, the 22nd ult., eight members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang Holt's Three-part peal of 5056 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 10 mins. J. Grove (first peal of MAJOR), 1; W. J. Sewer, 2; F. E. Hart, 3; A. A. Waite, 4; W. H. Beardsley (first peal in the method), 5; G. Miles, 6; H. Mitchell, 7; H. G. Gardner (conductor), 8. Tenor, 17½ cwt. The first peal of MAJOR on the bells.

At All Saints', Maidstone, Kent.

On Tuesday, the 25th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 14 mins. J. Constable, 1; B. Simmons, 2; T. Mannerling, 3; A. H. Woodley, 4; J. Granbury (22nd year), 5; G. Pawley, 6; A. Palmer (conductor), 7; G. J. Moorcraft, 8. Tenor, 8½ cwt.

At the Parish Church, Erith, Kent.

On Tuesday, the 25th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Mr. E. E. Richard's Three-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 53 mins. D. Barnes, 1; G. Cullum, 2; R. Giles, 3; G. Conrad, 4; E. Barnett, 5; J. Garrard, 6; F. J. Cullum (conductor), 7; W. Smith, 8. Rung for the first time.

At Christ Church, Eastbourne, Sussex.

On Thursday, the 27th ult., the following members of the Sussex County Association rang a peal of 5152 PEARL BOB MAJOR in 4 hrs. 49 mins. G. W. Smith, 1; J. Smith, 2; F. W. Harding, 3; J. King, 4; A. Baker, 5; G. Howe, 6; W. J. Fisher, 7; G. Williams (conductor and conductor), 8. Tenor, 9 cwt., in A. First peal of MAJOR by all except conductor, and the first true peal of MAJOR on the bells. This peal if rung in full 5040 contains the full combinations of 4-5-6 in 5-6, the second and third never in sixth's place at course-ends. Mr. Fisher came from Ducklington, Oxford; the conductor from Brighton; the rest are of the local band. [* First peal.]

At St. Peter's, Brighton, Sussex.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., a peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR was rung in 2 hrs. 54 mins. by the following members of the Sussex County Association:—J. Batts, 1; J. B. Reilly, 2; H. Weston, 3; A. A. Fuller, 4; G. A. King, 5; E. C. Merrett, 6; G. F. Attree, 7; G. Williams, 8. Tenor, 10½ cwt., in G. Composed by A. P. Heywood, Esq., and conducted by Mr. Williams. This peal contains the full combinations of 4-5-6 in 5-6, second and third never in sixth's place at course-ends.

On Monday evening, the 24th ult., for practice, three courses (672) of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 672 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE, and 544 and 336 DOUBLE NORWICH. Also on Sunday the 30th ult., for afternoon service, 443 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE. The ringers were Messrs. Jay, Reilly, Fuller, Merrett, King, Williams, Weston, Attree, Batts, and Harvey. These are the first touches of CAMBRIDGE by all, also first in the county, and first by the Sussex Association.

At St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung in 2 hrs. 47 mins. by the following members of the Ancient Society of College Youths:—G. J. Smith, 1; W. Cecil, 2; R. T. Woodley, 3; C. F. Winny (conductor), 4; J. G. Shade, 5; W. Burkin, 6; S. E. Joyce, 7; J. H. Monday, 8. The above was rung by all bachelors, being the first of the kind in London.

At St. Margaret's, Leicester.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., ten members of the Midland Counties Association rang a peal of 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERERS in 3 hrs. 25 mins. S. Cooper, 1; G. Cleal, 2; J. H. Swinfield, 3; J. George, 4; W. P. Cooper, 5; J. Needham, 6; J. Buttery, 7; A. Mellis, 8; A. R. Aldham, 9; W. Aldham, 10. Composed by the late Mr. H. Johnson, and conducted by Mr. Aldham. Tenor, 30 cwt., in D. J. George came from Rugby; J. H. Swinfield and A. R. Aldham from Barwell.

AT ALL SAINTS', LITTLE MUNDEN, HERTS.—On Saturday, the 29th ult., the Benington (Herts) Change-ringing Society visited Little Munden and upon its fine ring of six bells (tenor, F sharp) rang 3200 changes in the musical methods of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE MINOR. L. Proctor, Esq., J. Kitchener, Jos. Kitchener, S. P. East, conductor, Jabez Warner, Nathan Warner, and C. Shambrook.

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Dedication Service at St. Margaret's, Barking, Essex.

AN interesting service took place in the tower of this church on Sunday morning, the 30th ult., the occasion being the dedication of the new belfry. The service was arranged for ten o'clock, by which time the belfry was well filled. Among those present were Messrs. H. W. Knowles, E. A. Davies, and J. A. Weller (churchwardens), H. Berry and A. Carter (sidesmen), Joseph Drake (contractor), W. Barnett (secretary to the St. Paul's Guild), W. Lake, the St. Margaret's Society of Change-ringers, including Messrs. Fred Norris (master), Stanley Lake (secretary), J. H. King, A. J. Davies, J. Norris, A. White, T. Bissel, C. Dean, A. Deards, H. Freeman, E. Lucas, G. Simmons, and many members of the St. Paul's Guild. The Vicar, accompanied by the Rev. G. R. Marshall, Mr. Hume (organist), and the members of the choir, took their places shortly after ten o'clock. The Vicar conducted the service, Mr. Hume presiding at the harmonium. After a short service of dedication two hymns were sung very heartily. The Vicar then gave a brief address to the ringers. 'The voices of your bells,' he said, 'can carry the message of God into places where the preacher's voice can never come. You, too, like us clergy, are ministers of God, and your service, like ours, is fitly rendered in a consecrated house. Never forget that I have handed over this belfry to your charge and care as a dedicated place.' At the conclusion of the service the Benediction was pronounced, and immediately after the departure of the clergy and choir, the bells, which have been silent for so many weeks, rang out gaily. The restoration and fitting up of the belfry has been most successfully carried out by Mr. Joseph Drake, who has made, out of what had hitherto been a lumber store, the most comfortable and churchlike ringing-room in the county. The work consists of an entirely new oak floor, also a sound floor erected about three feet under the bells, match-boarded and covered by two thicknesses of roofing felt. This effectually deadens the noise of the bells and makes ringing pleasant. The clock, which is raised on a platform about thirteen feet, from the floor of the belfry, has been thoroughly repaired by Messrs. Gillett & Johnston, of Croydon. This is cased in by match-boarding, as is also the weight-case and the east side of the belfry. The under-side of the sound floor, and the whole of the new woodwork is stained and varnished. The floor is covered with cocoa-nut matting, and is fitted up with seats, lavatory, table, chairs, desk, &c. The bells were rung both before and after morning and evening service. Next Saturday an opening peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES will be attempted by eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths, who are also members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers.

Opening of Ten Bells at Retford, Nottinghamshire.

ON Wednesday, the 19th ult., the two new bells added to the ring of eight, cast by Thomas Mears, of London, about fifty years ago, in the tower of St. Swithin's parish church, were opened, the Corporation, Canon Ebsworth (the vicar), and other influential persons being present. After some difficulties, the committee entrusted the work of rehangng the eight bells to Messrs. Taylor & Sons, Loughborough, who began work in October last. Meanwhile subscriptions came in freely, so that the attention of the committee having been drawn to the fact that there was room in the tower for two more bells, these latter were ordered from the above firm. The money being rather short, the anxiety was speedily removed by a generous act of Alderman Curtis (a Wesleyan), the retiring Mayor of the borough, who on the termination of his term of office announced his intention of giving to the parish church one of the new bells. This generous act was seconded by a similar one on the part of the new Mayor, Mr. Councillor Bescoby, who at the same time presented the church with the other bell.

After the dedication ceremony a peal of 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS was attempted by a band of ringers from Sheffield, members of the Yorkshire Association, conducted by Mr. T. Hattersley; but after ringing two hours and forty-five minutes it came to an end. The peal was listened to with delight by the townspeople of Retford, and afterwards the ringers were entertained to tea at the 'Vine' Inn, in company with the Retford ringers, and Messrs. J. W. Taylor and W. A. Tyler from Loughborough.

The bells have been rehung in massive iron H frames, supported above and below by strong bearers of English oak, all the ten bells hanging on a level, and each being easily accessible on all sides. Everything is new in the bell-chamber with the exception of the original eight bells, all of which have been quarter-turned and fitted with Taylor's clappers, the whole cost being about 500*l.*, including the two new bells. In order that the local ringers may have every opportunity of doing credit to their bells, Mr. T. Hattersley, of Sheffield, has been engaged by the Vicar to instruct them in change-ringing, and the plain course was rung the first night in a fairly creditable manner with the assistance of three Sheffield ringers.

During the day touches of STEDMAN and TREBLE BOB ROYAL were rung, in which Messrs. J. W. Taylor and W. A. Tyler took part. Nottinghamshire now possesses three rings of ten bells—St. Mary's, Nottingham; St. Mary's, Newark; and St. Swithin's, Retford.

Opening of a Ring of Bells at Brixton, London.

ON Friday, the 14th ult., eight members of the Waterloo Society opened the ring of bells at the church of St. John-the-Divine, Vassal Road, Brixton, S.W., with A. P. Heywood's date touch of 1890 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 10 mins. W. Coppage, 1; W. Partington, 2; S. G. Davies, 3; A. E. Church, 4; Rev. A. W. Jephson, 5; F. L. Davies (conductor), 6; W. G. Wild, 7; W. W. Thorne, 8. The bells are a fine musical ring in the key of E flat (tenor 20 cwt.), and are the work of Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, of the Whitechapel Foundry, who are to be complimented on the efficient way in which they have carried out their work.

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In February 1889, Mrs. Martin the wife of the patient (who has been my correspondent all along), sent me a statement of her husband's case. 'I am very anxious (she adds), as he is wasting away every day.'

In April she writes:—'Your medicine has done my husband a great deal of good. I think it has saved him from going into a deep Consumption. Also it relieves the cough immediately.' (I found, however, that he was not following up the treatment with that persistent regularity that is so important for the realising permanent benefit).

Subsequent letters report how he gained flesh, and generally continued improving. In the spring of 1890:—'You will be glad to hear that my husband progresses most favourably. He has no night sweats, is gaining flesh, and is eating and sleeping well. I feel thankful for the *graciosa* providence that guided me to you; but for that I feel sure he would have now been in his grave. He is now following his profession again. I wish I had the means to give your medicine away to many who cannot purchase it.'

A recent letter, dated October 27th, in answer to a letter of inquiry of mine, reports him continuing as well as he was in the spring, and able to follow his profession as a flautist, well, though not a strong man. Moreover the occupation is one very trying to the lungs.

Mrs. Martin writes from Pendennis House, in the East of Llandudno, where she has apartments to let which are highly recommended.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., the Monthly Meeting of the Guild was held at Halsall, and forty members attended from the following places:—Aughton, Crosby, Crossens, Croston, Ormskirk, Sefton, and Southport, besides the local company. Bells were open for ringing from three to four p.m., when service was held in the church, and well attended by the ringers, after which they sat down to a meat tea provided through the generosity of Canon Blundell. The business meeting was afterwards held, at which Mr. J. Martin presided, supported by the Revs. W. T. Bulpit and J. Oliver. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Rev. W. T. Bulpit and passed; and a communication from the Rev. Canon Blundell was read, in which he said he was sorry at being unable to attend the meeting, as he was detained by business in London. Mr. Bentham then read a statement showing the prosperous condition of the Guild, and Mr. Martin and the Rev. J. Oliver addressed the ringers at some length, and several items of interest were discussed; after which a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding, and to Canon Blundell for providing so excellent a tea, and for the use of the bells and schoolroom, brought a very pleasant meeting to a close. Methods rung:—GRANDSIRE, BOB MINOR, and KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR.

Opening of a New Ring of Bells at Llanishen, near Cardiff.

On Wednesday, the 5th ult., the dedication of the new ring of bells at the parish church of Llanishen, near Cardiff, took place at 7.30 p.m., the sermon being preached by the Bishop of Llandaff. The bells were rung at intervals during the day by the ringers of St. John's, Cardiff. The bells are six in number (tenor, 10 cwt.) A committee was formed in 1889 to raise funds for a new ring, and they entrusted the work to Messrs. Llewellyns & James, of Bristol, who have carried out the work very satisfactorily. There is already a Guild of Ringers at work.

A Peal of 5021 Grandsire Caters.

By JOHN ROGERS.

5 5 4 2 6 6 7
 4 5 6 2 3 7 8
 6 5 3 2 4 8 9
 5 3 6 2 4 7 8
 3 6 5 2 4 7 8
 5 6 4 2 3 8 9
 4 6 3 2 5 8 9
 6 3 4 2 5 7 8

1st, 3 4 6 2 5 7 8
 Repeat 4 times.

Part ends. 2nd, 5 3 2 4 6
 3rd, 6 5 4 3 2
 4th, 2 6 3 5 4
 5th, 4 2 5 6 3

At hand 2 3 4 5 6 Bobs 1, 3.

[* 1st course-end in tittums by bobs at 2, 3, 4, 6, 9, 10.]

[† 2nd course-end in tittums, 1st part only, by 8, 9]

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Mary's, Rawtenstall, Lancashire.

On Tuesday, the 2nd ult., eight members of the Lancashire Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 54 mins. J. Rollerson, 1; G. Rollerson, 2; W. Haworth, 3; E. Whittaker, 4; E. Nuttall (conductor), 5; J. Smith, 6; J. Ramsbottom, 7; W. Jemmeson, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt. This is the first peal by all except J. Smith, the first peal on the bells by a local band, and the first peal by the Rossendale branch, where the conductor has rung and conducted his first peal. This is the third peal on the bells, and was rung on the eve of the visit of Lord Salisbury, the Prime Minister, to Rawtenstall, being the guest of the churchwarden, R. H. Harjman, Esq.

At St. Lawrence's, Upton St. Leonards, Gloucestershire.

On Saturday, the 20th ult., eight members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 5 mins. H. G. Gardner (conductor), 1; W. J. Sevier, 2; J. Morris,* 3; T. Groves,* 4; J. Hopton, 5; J. E. Groves,* 6; H. Mitchell, 7; W. Smith, 8. Tenor, 17½ cwt. in E. [* First peal.]

At the Parish Church, Hatfield, Herts.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., eight members of the Hatfield College Youths and the Herts Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 3 mins. H. Shepherd, 1; J. Shepherd (first peal as conductor), 2; W. J. Rumney, 3; J. Kentish, 4; W. J. Richardson, 5; H. G. Rowe, 6; Jos. Hollingsworth, 6; H. Tharby, 8. Tenor 26 cwt. First peal by H. Tharby, and first peal with a bob-bell by W. J. Rumney. H. G. Rowe belongs to Aldenham, the others to the local band.

At the Parish Church, Tilehurst, Berks.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 57 mins. W. Lawrence, 1; E. Menday, 2; J. E. Hern, 3; G. Hopgood, 4; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 5; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 6; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 7; C. Chapman, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt.

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At St. Andrew's, Hagbourne, Berks.

ON Monday, the 1st inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. C. Hounslow, 1; H. Egby, 2; W. Lawrence, 3; J. E. Hern, 4; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 5; W. Newell, 6; J. W. Washbrook, 7; T. Hibbert, 8. Tenor, 23¼ cwt. Rung to celebrate the Festival of St. Andrew, to whom the church is dedicated.

At St. Matthew's, Clapton, London.

ON Thursday, the 4th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Brooke's Variation of Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 59 mins. W. Cooter, 1; H. Springall, 2; G. J. Smith, 3; J. Pettit, 4; R. Turner, 5; M. A. Wood, 6; W. Burkin (first peal in the method as conductor), 7; G. J. Davidson, 8.

At St. Saviour's, Leicester.

ON Saturday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association (the Leicester Branch) rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 14 mins. J. O. Lancashire, 1; J. George (Rugby), 2; G. Cleal (conductor), 3; S. Cotton, 4; J. Needham, 5; A. Millis, 6; J. Buttery, 7; W. Challenger, 8. Tenor, 26 cwt. It was intended to start for STEDMAN, but meeting one short, Mr. Lancashire was elected a member of the Association before starting for the above. This was his first attempt for a peal, and great praise is due to him for the excellent striking of the treble.

At St. James's, Clerkenwell, London

ON Monday, the 8th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-course peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. C. F. Winny, 1; R. French, 2; W. E. Garrard, 3; F. G. Newman (conductor), 4; A. W. Barkus, 5; W. H. George, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; W. Cropley, 8. This is the first time this peal has been called from the fourth bell, having previously been called from the first, third, and seventh. The ringers wish to thank the Rector and Churchwardens for the use of the bells.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT SETTLE, YORKSHIRE.—On a Tuesday evening, five members from Giggleswick, with Mr. Walter C. Hardacre, of Settle, rang a peal of 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR in 29 mins. W. C. Hardacre (first peal), 1; J. L. Bullock, 2; W. Fell, 3; S. James, 4; J. Parker, 5; J. Morphet (conductor), 6.

AT CHRIST CHURCH, BACUP, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday morning, 720 WOODDINE. W. Ormerod, 1; Z. Lord, 2; A. A. Downing, 3; A. Chew, 4; A. White, 5; W. Smith (conductor), 6. For evening service 720 KENT TREBLE BOB. W. Ormerod, 1; J. Hardman, 2; A. A. Downing, 3; Z. Lord, 4; A. White, 5; W. Smith (conductor), 6. Rung with the bells muffled as a last token of respect to the late Mrs. J. S. Sutcliffe, of Beech House, Bacup.

AT HOLY TRINITY, PRIVETT, ALTON, HANTS.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, eight members of the local band rang a quarter peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 45 mins. A. Baker, 1; F. G. Ayling, 2; E. Parsons, 3; W. Sutton, 4; J. Paill, 5; W. Hasted, 6; H. Sutton (conductor), 7; J. Baker, 8. Tenor, 13 cwt., in G.

AT ST. MARY'S, SAFFRON WALDEN, ESSEX.—On a Monday, on the occasion of the re-election of J. J. Robson, Esq., as Mayor of the borough, a date touch of 1890 STEDMAN TRIPLES, composed by A. Percival Heywood, Esq., in 1 hr. 14 mins. J. Freeman, 1; N. J. Pitstow, 2; A. F. James, 3; G. Martin, 4; J. F. Penning, 5; E. Pitstow, 6; F. Pitstow (conductor), 7; A. G. Coe, 8.

AT ST. MATTHEW'S, WALSALL, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On a Monday, on the occasion of the election of the Mayor, the local company rang some TREBLE BOB MAJOR, STEDMAN TRIPLES, and GRANDSIRE MAJOR. Also a touch of 840 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, in 32 mins. W. Griffin, 1; F. Hallsworth, 2; J. Astbury, sen., 3; W. Walker, 4; D. Westley, 5; J. Lawton, 6; J. Astbury, jun. (conductor), 7; E. Lightwood, 8. Also on a Wednesday evening, for practice, one quarter of Lates' peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES in 47 mins. W. Griffin, 1; E. Lightfoot, 2; J. Astbury, sen., 3; W. Walker, 4; D. Wesley, 5; F. Hallsworth, 6; J. Astbury, jun. (conductor), 7; E. Taylor, 8. On a Sunday morning, for the Mayor and Corporation's procession to church, a touch of 420 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES.

AT ST. MARY'S, WALTON-ON-THE-HILL, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday evening, 720 BOB MINOR (two bobs and fourteen singles) in 25 mins. F. Musker, 1; T. B. Somerville, 2; R. Hurst, 3; T. Rushton, 4; W. Bramley, 5; C. E. Wilson (conductor), 6. Tenor, 9 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, LAMBETH, SURREY.—On a Monday evening, six members of the St. James's Society rang, muffled, the usual whole-pull-stand, as the last token of respect for the late Mr. Stoneman, who had been steeple-keeper at the above church for about sixteen years. H. R. Newton, 1; W. Garrard, 2; H. Payne, 3; W. H. George, 4; W. Cockerill, 5; W. Cropley, 6.

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CONFIRMED ASTHMA and CHRONIC BRONCHITIS
of THIRTY YEARS.

This case is of a lady in Cornwall, who, thirty years before my correspondent wrote me, was the subject of a severe cold, which brought on bronchial irritation, followed by bronchitis, and then asthma, which followed her more or less ever since.

At the time of first consulting me (September, 1859), there were all the symptoms of the above diseases present in acute form. The last severe attack, which had taken place in the spring of the year, had not been shaken off. The chest was exceedingly weak, and the action of the heart irregular and feeble. The digestion was bad, and the appetite and strength had failed.

The patient improved after two or three months, and would have progressed more rapidly had my treatment been thoroughly persevered with. As it was, she was very much better in the spring. Her night perspirations had left her, and also the pains. But she needed special instructions on various symptoms.

On May 10th she was 'better in every way.' On the 28th she was well on the road to recovery.

In August last Mr. Boynes tells me:—'She has not been so well for years. Your medicine has done more for her than all and every medicine she has ever tried. To God be the praise, and may your valuable life be spared long for the good of suffering humanity.—H. Boynes, Hendra, St. Just, Penzance, Cornwall.' In answer to my recent inquiry, Mr. B., writing on October 11, says: 'The improvement in her health is still maintained.'

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REVIEWS.

OUR DEAD: WHERE ARE THEY? A Symposium by well-known writers. Edited by T. H. Stockwell. (London: Elliot Stock.)—Like so many books of this class, the *question* contained in the title is put again and again: writers run all round it, and about it, and then *away from it*. The seventeen essays which compose the volume do not, it must be confessed, add anything to our knowledge. They are mostly pious reflections upon the solemnity of death, interspersed with amplifications of the scanty knowledge revealed to us in Holy Scripture concerning the life beyond. They will, no doubt, serve a useful purpose in bringing before us the necessity of due preparation for our latter end; but they do not answer the question. It may be accepted as indicative of the wisdom of the writers that they attempt no answer to an inquiry which is incapable of answer. These things are hidden from our eyes.

BEYOND THE VEIL. By the author of *Earth's Many Voices*. (Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co. Price 1s. 6d.)—A work similar to the one above. Here, however, we have the advantage of nine chapters by the same hand, therefore more connected and consequently than a group of miscellaneous essays can be. There is the further advantage of distinct Church teaching, and on the whole we can safely recommend the book to any who, by sorrow or bereavement, are pondering much upon the mystery of the life after death.

YONDER; OR, GLIMPSSES OF THE GLORY-LAND. By Mr. George Thomas Congreve. (London: Elliot Stock. Price 2s. 6d.)—Mr. Congreve, who is the President of the Young Women's Institute, West Brighton, has laboured with well-known zeal and great success with his large class, and he has in this book given us a selection of ten Bible lessons delivered to the Institute. They are most profoundly earnest addresses, and are exceedingly interesting. Each one bears traces of the great carefulness with which it must have been prepared; all of them are abounding in beautiful thoughts, and the book would serve admirably for a Bible-class prize. The addresses have the additional value of having been actually delivered to a class, which is the only way to find out the weak spot in any prepared lesson; and, seeing that they were delivered to over two hundred young women, the test is a very ample one. Mr. Congreve's book is thoroughly good in all points.

EASTWARD HO! By Emma Marshall. (London: James Nisbet & Co. Price 5s.)—This book has a good Church tone, and is suitable for girls' reading. The thread of the story is slender, but the characters speak and act in a way which makes the book pleasant reading. It contains some skilfully-drawn pictures of life in the East End, and an excellent moral may be learned from it.

LITTLE LIVES AND THREADS OF GOLD TO GUIDE THEM. By Lady Alicia Blackwood. (Thomas Nelson & Sons. Price 2s. 5d.)—This book is a fabulous moral story, told in the form of a dream, and is intended as a pleasant method of conveying instruction to little ones. It is written in simple language suited to the capacity of children, and is full of useful lessons for them.

CANON CHURTON contributes an interesting paper to THE INDIAN CHURCH QUARTERLY REVIEW on 'The Apocrypha.' The Bishop of Bombay gives the second paper of his series on the 'Liturgies of the Anglican Communion,' in which he exhibits the historical process by which the Scottish Communion Office was derived from older formularies which were in use in Anglican Christendom. This paper and the one which preceded it are peculiarly valuable contributions to the liturgical discussions in regard to the Scottish Office. There is a useful paper on the 'Nicobar Islands' and their inhabitants, and an interesting one on 'The Unity of Christendom,' as well as some other papers.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH MAGAZINE for December contains a thoughtful paper, entitled 'The Cure of Souls,' which was read at the Paris Church Conference by the Rev. J. S. Gilderdale, of Dresden. The paper by the editor on 'Cordoba' repays perusal.

OUR OWN GAZETTE commences, and well commences, the eighth volume of this magazine with the January number. It contains the opening chapters of a serial tale, 'In the Days of King Henry,' which is interesting, and other reading of a useful and healthy character. The journal is intended for young women, and is admirably adapted for them.

THE Christmas number of THE GENTLEWOMAN is very well done. It is full of bright tales, is well illustrated, and contains a vast amount of information likely to be of interest to ladies. The engraving done on white satin, which is presented with the number, is exceedingly pretty.

THE QUEEN also publishes a Christmas number containing much matter that is good, including some articles and tales which are excellent in their way. The number is well illustrated.

THE trays and teapot stands made in the Ness 'ferrain bronze,' and supplied by the Standard Speciality Company, 87 New Oxford Street, look most artistic, and are substantial and weighty. They can be supplied in what has all the effects of brass, copper, or nickel silver, and at about a third of the cost. They are capital Christmas presents.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Lancashire Association.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH AT ST. HELENS.—The usual Monthly Ringing Meeting was held on Saturday the 6th inst., at St. Thomas's Church. Ringers attended from Prescott, Halewood, and Southport, besides the local company. The Vicar, the Rev. J. Pigott, M.A., presided at the meeting in the schoolroom. After the reading of and passing the minutes of the last meeting, he addressed the members, giving the Association a hearty welcome, and was desirous of becoming a life member. Accordingly himself and four of his ringers were enrolled as members. Mr. Hill (Secretary) addressed the meeting, showing the steady progress of the branch and of the Association in general. The next meeting was fixed to be held at St. Luke's Church, Liverpool (eight-bell tower), on Saturday, January 24, 1891. The usual vote of thanks was proposed and carried to the Vicar for presiding, and for the use of the schoolroom. The reverend gentleman briefly responded, and expressed a hope that the Association would hold another meeting there in due course. Methods rung during the evening, GRANDSIRE DOUBLES and BOB MINOR.

ROCHDALE BRANCH AT GLODWICK.—A meeting of this branch was held at St. Mark's Church, on Saturday, the 6th inst. Ringers were present from Rochdale, Heywood, Haughton, Lees, Moorside, Flixton, and Oldham. Touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, BOB MAJOR, and a course of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, were rung. Two new members were elected, and the meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks. The next meeting is to be held at East Crompton Church (six bells), on Saturday January 17, 1891.

BLACKBURN BRANCH AT BURNLEY.—On Saturday, the 6th inst., a meeting of the above branch was held at the parish church, when representatives attended from Burnley, Blackburn, Church, Colne, Gargrave, and Padiham. Mr. J. Walker, president of the branch, presided at the meeting, which was held in the tower. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Padiham on the second Saturday in February next. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar, Wardens, Ringers, and Chairman, for their services and the use of the bells respectively. This terminated the business of the meeting and ringing was afterwards kept up till 9.30 p.m.

Essex Association of Change-ringers.

THE next district meeting of the above will be held at Barking Parish Church on Saturday, January 10th. Full particulars will be given next week. HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Pror. Sec.*

Ripon Cathedral Bells.

On Saturday last, the Ripon Cathedral bell-ringers, with the Cathedral clergy and churchwardens, celebrated the reopening of the Cathedral bells, which have just been rebung in a new massive iron girder frame. The bells have not been rung since last June, when it was found that the old oak frame which was erected in 1762 had become unstable and in such a condition as to render its renewal a necessity. Messrs. James Shaw, Son, & Co., bell-founders, of Bradford, were entrusted with the work of putting in the new frame and rehanging the bells, and this has been done in a most satisfactory manner. There are eight bells in the Cathedral peal, and the Dean and Chapter in ordering a new frame decided that it should be large enough for ten bells, and it is hoped that at an early date two new bells will be forthcoming and the peal of ten bells completed. Saturday's reopening proceedings commenced after the evening service, when the Cathedral ringers and others, with Mr. T. Clark conducting, rang touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, BOB MAJOR, TREBLE BOB MAJOR, and STREBMAN TRIPLES. The teams were selected from the following:—Messrs. A. H. Clark, Albert Pratt, A. Ingleby, jun., J. Flowers, J. Baines, H. Rumbold, J. Metcalfe, T. Metcalfe, T. Clark, and W. Pick (Cathedral ringers), T. Langley (Boroughbridge), J. Wrightson (Thirsk), H. Brown (Harrogate), and J. Hoy (Knaresborough). After ringing about an hour and a half the party adjourned to the 'Royal Oak' Hotel, where an excellent dinner was served. Mr. T. Clark presided, and was supported by the Rev. J. A. Naylor (Cathedral minor canon), the Rev. S. Reed (precentor), and Messrs. J. B. Parkin, T. Smithson (Mayor), and T. Wells (churchwardens), Mr. J. Whitham (chapter clerk), and others. After the loyal toasts, Mr. Parkin proposed 'The Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese.' The Rev. J. A. Naylor, in reply, said that in studying the history of church bells he had been struck with the fact that they were the product of Christian art, and he urged that a greater interest should be taken in the bells of the church. The Rev. S. Reed proposed the 'Cathedral Ringers,' and remarked that the ringing of peals was quite an English art, and was not met with in any other country. He thought the ringers should be encouraged in their art, and that the Cathedral should be a centre for those who were willing to learn and assist in the ringing of the bells. Mr. Clark, in reply, stated that from the experience of the ringers that evening, the new frame was found to possess stability, while the 'go' of the bells was ~~improved~~. He hoped the ringers and the citizens generally would not be satisfied until two new bells had been added, and that the opportunity would not be allowed to pass without the Cambridge chimes finding a place in the improvement. Mr. Whitham proposed 'The Mayor and Corporation,' to which the Mayor responded. The Chairman proposed 'The Churchwardens,' to which Mr. Parkin responded; and said with regard to the two new bells, that there was a feeling in the minds of the laity that if the Dean and Chapter would provide one bell, they (the laity) would try to raise funds for another. Mr. T. Wells proposed 'The Visitors,' and Mr. Longley (Boroughbridge) responded. The Rev. J. A. Naylor proposed the 'Chapter Clerk,' to which Mr. Whitham replied. Other toasts followed, and in the course of the evening the ringers gave a selection on the handbells.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 64.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE Monthly Meeting of the Guild will be held at Bootle on Saturday, December 27th. Bells open at 3 p.m.; meeting, 6 p.m.

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A BAND of the above Association hope to attempt a long peal of TREBLE BOB ROYAL on Saturday, the 27th inst., at St. Mary's, Cheltenham. Start at 11.30.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. John-the-Evangelist's, Waterloo Road, London.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Waterloo Society rang Brook's variation of Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. G. W. Wild, 1; W. W. Thorn, 2; S. G. Davis, 3; C. E. Malim, 4; W. Partington, 5; F. L. Davies (conductor), 6; W. H. George, 7; E. Bayford, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. It was the thirty-seventh anniversary of the marriage of Mr. W. Coppage, many years steeple-keeper of the above church; also a farewell peal by this Society to Mr. George, who is leaving London.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 20 mins. H. E. Newton, 1; J. W. Driver, 2; H. Springall,* 3; W. E. Garrard, 4; J. N. Oxborrow, 5; T. Hattersley (Sheffield), 6; York Green* (composer), 7; S. Hayes, 8; W. T. Cockerell,* 9; J. M. Hayes (conductor), 10. Tenor, 21 cwt. [* First peal of TREBLE BOB ROYAL.]

At St. Peter's, Hindley, Lancashire.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 53 mins. R. Calland, 1; E. Brown, 2; J. Brown, 3; S. Tickle (first peal with a bob-bell), 4; E. Prescott, 5; T. Tickle, 6; Jos. Prescott, 7; M. Gregory (first peal), 8. Tenor, 14½ cwt.

At the Parish Church, Baldock, Herts.

On Thursday, the 11th inst., the following rang a peal of 5056 BOB MAJOR:—T. Webb, 1; E. Bray, 2; J. Cawdell, 3; J. Craft, 4; J. Hare, 5; A. Thurgood, 6; Rd. Jackson, 7; G. T. Spicer (conductor), 8. The first peal of BOB MAJOR on the bells. Tenor, 28 cwt. in D.

At St. John's, Hackney, Middlesex.

On Thursday, the 11th inst., Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES, was rung by members of the Ancient Society of College Youths in 3 hrs. 18 mins. J. Pettit (conductor), 1; W. Burkin, 2; C. Lee, 3; W. D. Smith, 4; H. Springall, 5; G. J. Smith, 6; R. J. Turner, 7; W. Prime, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt. First peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At St. LAWRENCE'S, ARDELEY, HERTS.—On Saturday, the 13th inst., the Society of Change-ringers (Benington, Herts) visited the above church, and upon the fine ring of six bells (tenor, 10 cwt., key, B minor) they rang 1080 changes in the several methods of KENT TREBLE BOB, STEDMAN, and GRANDSIRE MINOR. The bells were raised and fallen in musical order. L. Proctor, Esq., John Kitchener, Jos. Kitchener, Jabez Warner, C. Shambrook, S. Page (conductor), and Oswald Warner.

At St. BARNABAS'S, PIMLICO, LONDON.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, 1191 STEDMAN CATERS in 46 mins. by the following members of the Ancient Society of College Youths:—A. W. Barkus, 1; H. R. Newton (conductor), 2; W. E. Garrard, 3; J. Willshire, 4; J. M. Hayes, 5; H. S. Ellis, 6; W. J. Cockerill, 7; W. H. George, 8; H. Tucker (Bishops Stortford), 9; W. Cropley, 10.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, BALDOCK, HERTS.—On a Thursday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 50 mins. T. Webb (conductor), 1; E. Bray, 2; J. Phillips, 3; J. Craft, 4; G. T. Spicer, 5; A. Thurgood, 6; Rd. Jackson, 7; W. Bidnell, sen., 8. Also a quarter-peal (1280 changes) of BOB MAJOR in 55 mins. T. Webb, 1; E. Bray, 2; J. Cawdell, 3; J. Craft, 4; J. Phillips, 5; A. Thurgood, 6; Rd. Jackson, 7; G. T. Spicer (conductor), 8. This is the longest touch of MAJOR by all. Also a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES in 50 mins. T. Webb, 1; E. Bray, 2; J. Cawdell (conductor), 3; J. Craft, 4; Rt. Jackson, 5; G. T. Spicer, 6; Rd. Jackson, 7; W. Bidnell, sen., 8. This is the longest touch of STEDMAN by all except the 6th man. The above were rung on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Joshua Page and Miss A. F. Carter at Baldock.

At St. THOMAS'S, DUDLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On a Sunday morning, 1187 GRANDSIRE CATERS. T. Hill, 1; F. Fellows, 2; E. Fellows, jun., 3; J. Fellows, 4; J. Mills, 5; T. Bullock (Worcester), 6; W. Micklewright (conductor), 7; S. Spittle, 8; J. Goodman, 9; J. Bunn, 10.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.—On a Saturday, for practice, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES. Frank Biggs, 1; H. Stratford, 2; W. Goodchild, 3; S. Goodchild, 4; F. Free, 5; Fred. Biggs, 6; J. Evans (conductor), 7; W. Hussey, 8. This is the first quarter-peal in the method by an entirely local band, and was rung at the second attempt. Longest length by Frank Biggs and W. Hussey.

At St. MARY-THE-VIRGIN'S, PUTNEY, SURREY.—On a Tuesday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 44 mins. A. S. Ough, 1; S. Luscombe, 2; J. W. Driver, 3; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 4; E. H. Adams, 5; J. G. Green, 6; H. Kenten, 7; S. How, 8. Composed by Mr. Sholicar, of Ormskirk. Tenor, 16 cwt.

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CASE of PHTHISIS PRONOUNCED HOPELESS,
WITH HEART AFFECTION.

The patient was 19 years of age when I first heard of him; his mother writing with full statement of his case from Newcastle, Staffordshire.

He had been in bed for three months, and was getting weaker. He had been carefully examined, and the medical attendant stated *no more could be done for him*. This was in July, 1888.

His illness had commenced with cold and cough in the preceding winter—which nothing had relieved, though many things had been tried. Then he became short of breath, and blood-spitting appeared. He sought medical advice, and was told that weakness of the heart was the cause. He got worse. He spat dark congealed blood;—then brighter and in larger quantity. He was ordered to bed—no relief followed. The cough grew worse, accompanied with pains and palpitations. The strength gradually diminished, there was wasting of flesh, and dropsical symptoms appeared indicating advanced disease. He was then sounded again, with the result above named—a verdict that '*no more could be done for him*.'

Hearing of the good derived by a patient named Evans, the mother applied to me.

The case required much attention and correspondence, several symptoms arising from time to time—especially relating to the secretions, and to the throat. Progress was slow (cases vary very much in this). It was several months before very marked improvement was seen. By then diarrhœa had ceased, and the swellings had subsided. The throat had got better, there was scarcely any blood spat up. The patient became very hopeful now, and after that went on rapidly to recovery.

I had a letter from the mother recently (Sept. 22) in which, writing for another case, she says:—'Though this case is reported as being without hope, I feel there is hope, after experiencing what you have done for my son, who continues in the enjoyment of good health.—E. WHITTAKER, 17 Drayton Street, Newcastle, Staff.'

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REVIEWS.

THE CHILD'S CHRISTIAN YEAR. By E. Dyke. (London: Reginald Berkeley, 29 Paternoster Row. Price 3s. 6d.)—It is no easy task to provide for the children a 'brief verse lesson' for all the Sundays and Holy Days of the year, and in this prettily printed book Miss Dyke has succeeded well. It is inevitable that the poems should be of unequal merit, but the authoress has written her verses with smoothness and thoroughly devotional feeling. We cannot give a better example of her manner than in the little poem for Christmas day:—

'Tis the Birthday of our King:
 Birthday presents let us bring!
 What shall we as offering sweet
 Lay down at those Baby feet,
 Destined for our sakes to be
 Fastened to the painful tree?

'Ah! that thought the answer makes,
 All our slumbering love awakes;
 Cry our hearts, no longer cold,
 "What from Him shall we withhold?"
 Low before those feet we fall,
 Yield our love, our lives, our all.'

As showing the variety of treatment we add the verses for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, on the words in the Epistle, 'Let all . . . evil-speaking be put away from you':—

'See here an ancient story which contains
 A lesson many of us need to learn.
 A lady sought a holy man, to tell
 How she had sinned in word. When he her tale
 Had heard, he bade her to the market-place
 Repair, there buy a fowl, and thence return
 To him; and, as she came, she was to pluck
 The feathers from the fowl, and let the wind
 Carry them where it would. The lady did
 As she was bidden, bought the fowl, and strewed
 Its feathers in the streets, then to her friend
 And counsellor returned. "And now," said he,
 "Go back and gather all those feathers up,
 And bring them here to me." The lady cried,
 "Impossible!"—"As hopeless," said the saint,
 "It were to think that you could e'er recall
 The words that you have spoken. When again
 To evil-speaking you are tempted, think
 Upon the scattered feathers of your fowl."'

GENERAL GORDON, THE CHRISTIAN HERO. By Major Seton Churchill. (James Nisbet & Co. Price 3s. 6d.)—This book is fitly dedicated to the young men of England, and a nobler subject or more instructive life-study could not be placed before them. Major Seton Churchill has told the tale of Gordon's marvellous life in a very thorough way, and the volume is interesting from its first page to its last. The life of so great and good a man ought to be known by all young men, and we recommend those who have not read the story of his adventures and self-sacrifice to procure this admirably written history. It is the story of one of the bravest and best men England has ever produced.

SOAP BUBBLES, AND THE FORCES WHICH MOULD THEM. By C. V. Boys, F.R.S. (S. P. C. K. 2s. 6d.)—Another charming little volume of the 'Romance of Science Series,' which reveals in the most instructive and pleasant way the wonders attaching to soap bubbles, and which is bound to be of exceeding interest to all, old or young, who have ever blown them.

HINTS ON COOKERY AND MANAGEMENT OF THE TABLE. Translated from the French of Gabrielle Le Brasseur by Mary Hooper. (London: Spencer Blackett. Price 2s. 6d.)—This book was written by a Frenchwoman for her own people, but there is a great deal in it which is likely to be of assistance to most young housekeepers. The author is profoundly convinced that the French alone are a nation of cooks, but this is, perhaps, only natural.

THE BOOKWORM. An Illustrated Treasury of Old-time Literature. Third Series. (London: Elliot Stock. 1890. 5s.)—The third volume of this well-known periodical is not behind its predecessors in interesting and amusing chat about books. The illustrations add considerably to its value, and there is a good index. There are also articles on present-day subjects, such as the library at the People's Palace, the Huth Library, and the 'Sette of Odd Volumes.' This last is illustrated by Harry Furness.

THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' COMPANION AND ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE FOR BOYS AND GIRLS. (London: Church of England Sunday School Institute. 1890. 2s.)—Full of pictures, stories, notes on Church festivals and fasts, wonders of the world, Bible questions, puzzles, and other good things to make the child-heart glad. We have tried it and found it answer.

A HUMANE TELEPHONE.—People who suffer from deafness and noises in the head will be glad to hear that an eminent Aural Specialist of London has hit upon a cure which is said to be absolutely efficacious, and may be applied at the patient's home. It is a miniature telephone, which fits inside the ear. It is not only a producer of sound, but also a cure for the distressing noises in the head. Being comfortable to wear it will no doubt be a boon to mankind. A pamphlet describing its construction is printed, and may be had from the Publisher, 21 Bedford Square, London, W.C. Price 3d.—[Advt.]

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Central Council.

The Gloucester and Bristol Association, at their last meeting, appointed the following gentlemen as their representatives on the Central Council:—Rev. H. A. Cockey, Oldland Vicarage, Bristol; Mr. G. H. Phillott, Cheltenham; and Mr. F. E. Ward, County of Gloucester Bank, Newport, Mon.

Essex Association.

THERE will be a district meeting of the above on Saturday, January 10th. The tower of St. Margaret's (eight bells) will be open all day. A short service will be held in the church, with brief address by the Vicar, at 5 p.m. Tea at Working Men's Institute at 5.45. Business meeting at 6.15. The Secretary will be glad to receive notice from members of their intention to be present not later than Monday, January 5th.

Great Totham Vicarage, Witham.

HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Prov. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.

The Annual Meeting of the Central Committee was held, by permission of the Dean of Canterbury, in the Cathedral Library, on Monday, the 15th inst. The following members of the Central Committee were present:—Rev. E. W. Carpenter, Hon. Secretary, in the chair; Messrs. E. A. Nunn and F. Finn (Ashford District), Mr. A. Foreman (Canterbury), Mr. W. Cooke (Rochester), Rev. T. S. Curteis and Mr. E. Pope (Tonbridge), Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, Dr. Grayling, and Messrs. Graham and Newman. No representative was present from Maidstone district. It was decided to hold the Annual General Meeting on Monday, June 29th, 1891. The question of booking peals of Triples rung without a cover was considered, and a motion was made by Mr. Helmore, seconded by Dr. Grayling, that such peals should not be entered. An amendment was proposed by Mr. Nunn, seconded by Mr. Finn—"That all peals of Triples rung by members of the Association without a covering bell be entered in the peal-book." After considerable discussion the amendment was lost by three votes to four, the remaining members not voting. Mr. Helmore then asked leave to withdraw his motion, and to propose that the question be referred to the Central Council. This was seconded by Mr. Newman, and carried unanimously. It was also proposed and carried that the Hon. Secretary should be empowered to appoint two members of the Association to give advice as to needed repairs, and to inspect the work of the bellhangers after rehanging bells at any of the towers in the county, and report to the Hon. Secretary. This proposal was made on account of the unsatisfactory condition of some peals which have been hung or rehung of late years; and it is hoped that the authorities, in places where bellhanging is to be done, will be glad to avail themselves of the services of the Association in this way, so that in due time no bellhanging contract will be considered completed until the officers of the Association, whose members will use the bells, shall have 'passed' the work.

A proposal to erect a peal-board at Leeds Church to commemorate the first peal of STEEDMAN CATERNS by the Association was adopted. Other matters of general interest were discussed, and a satisfactory meeting concluded with the usual votes of thanks. A design for a new Certificate of Membership was to have been submitted to the Committee, but the promised design was not forthcoming. The Hon. Secretary was therefore requested to obtain others, which, with that mentioned, will be sent by post to members of the Committee, in order that their opinion may be taken before a final decision.

St. Michael's, Headingley, Leeds.

ON Thursday afternoon, December 11th, a special service was held in the above church for the purpose of dedicating the new ring of eight bells, six of which have been presented to the parish, and the other two provided with the proceeds of other bells formerly the property of the church. The company selected to open the bells were stationed as follows:—J. Whitaker, 1; H. W. Needham, 2; F. G. Robinson, 3; W. Child, 4; A. Naylor, 5; G. Noble, 6; F. Robinson, 7; R. Binns, 8. Messrs. Needham and Binns belong to Leeds; the others to Headingley St. Chad's. The opinion was that the bells were perfect in tune and tone, and the 'go' of them everything to be desired. They are hung in an iron frame, and are all on one level, the ropes falling into the ringing chamber in a circle. The weight of the tenor is 20 cwt. 1 qr., in the key of F. The work has been carefully carried out by Messrs. John Taylor & Co., the well-known bell-founders of Loughborough. A new clock has also been presented, and when erected will strike the Cambridge quarters and hours.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire.

ON Thursday, the 11th inst., eight members of the Midland Counties Association and the St. Paul's Society (Burton-on-Trent) rang a peal of 1000 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR in 3 hrs. 29 mins. H. Parks, 1; B. Camwright, 2; A. Wakley, 3; Jos. Griffin, 4; E. I. Stone, 5; P. Meadows, 6; T. Holmes, 7; W. Wakley, 8. Composed by Mr. N. J. Pritchard, and conducted by Mr. Griffin. Tenor, 26 cwt. First peal in the method by Messrs. Parks and Meadows.

At St. Mary's, Lambeth, London.

ON Saturday, the 20th inst., eight members of the St. James's Society rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 45 mins. W. E. Garrard, 1; C. F. Winny (conductor), 2; W. W. Thorne, 3; H. E. Newton, 4; J. George (Rugby), 5; W. H. George, 6; A. W. Barkas, 7; W. T. Cockerill, 8. Tenor, 19 cwt. Rung as a farewell peal to Mr. W. E. George, who is leaving London.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 82.

At St. Peter's, Drayton, Berks.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5376 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 7 mins. P. A. Hind,* 1; T. Short, 2; J. H. Shepherd,* 3; C. Hounslow, 4; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 5; E. Bishop, 6; G. Holifield, 7; J. W. Washbrook (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 9½ cwt. [*First peal in the method.]

On Saturday, the 13th inst., at the same church and Guild, eight members rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 42 mins. T. E. Pocock, 1; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 2; W. Cosens, 3; W. Lawrence, 4; J. E. Hern, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 6; W. Napper, 7; H. Hyde, 8.

At St. John-the-Divine, Brixton, London.

On Saturday, the 13th inst., eight members of the Waterloo Society rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 11 mins. S. G. Davies, 1; C. E. Malim, 2; F. L. Davies (conductor), 3; W. W. Thorne, 4; W. Partington, 5; A. E. Church, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; G. W. Wild, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. The first peal on the bells, which were opened on November 14th, 1890, by the above Society, and was rung at the first attempt. The band wish to return thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin, Putney, London.

On Tuesday, the 16th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstan's Original Five-part peal of 5040 STEEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 45 mins. C. F. Winny, 1; J. Willsire (first peal of STEEDMAN), 2; H. R. Newton (conductor), 3; W. E. Garrard, 4; J. W. Driver, 5; W. H. George, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; E. H. Adams, 8. Tenor, 16 cwt. It is the first time the above peal has been rung in the metropolis. Also a farewell peal to Mr. George, who is leaving London.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung;—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, EYNEBURY, HUNTS.—On a Sunday, for afternoon service, six members of the St. Mary's Society rang 180 BOB MINOR. This was the first touch of MINOR by all, and was rung at the first attempt. E. Jones, 1; S. Hawksford, 2; C. Chasty, 3; H. Sutton, 4; G. Irons, 5; G. Coleman (conductor), 6. Tenor, 14½ cwt. A visit was afterwards paid to St. Neots, and a peal of BOB DOUBLES was rung with the 7-6-8 behind. J. Jones, 1; S. Hawksford, 2; H. Sutton, 3; E. Jones, 4; G. Coleman (conductor), 5; S. Irons, 6; G. Irons, 7; J. Irons, 8. Tenor, 30 cwt., in C.

AT ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, FARNHAM, SURREY.—On a Monday, in honour of the birthday of H.R.H. the Princess of Wales, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung by eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild in 1 hr. 7 mins. A. Smith (longest touch), 1; G. H. Barnett, 2; A. le Clercq, 3; J. Hawkes, 4; H. Garfath (composer and conductor), 5; C. Fry, 6; A. White, 7; E. Clapshaw, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, ORMSKIRK, LANCASHIRE.—On a Monday, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 14 mins. was rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Mr. John Kennedy and Mr. Peter Draper. J. Prescott, 1; E. R. White, 2; W. J. Taylor (conductor), 3; P. H. Harvey, 4; J. Watts, 5; J. Sholicar (composer), 6; G. Prescott, 7; T. Maitland, 8.

AT ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS', CHESTERFIELD, DERBYSHIRE.—On a Sunday evening, 1259 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 43 mins. J. W. Roper, 1; J. Goodwin, 2; H. Rippon, 3; S. Price, 4; G. Toplis, 5; D. Farthing, 6; A. Knights (conductor), 7; G. Rippon, 8. Tenor, 24½ cwt. This touch is Mr. A. P. Heywood's date touch brought round at the 2nd part-end.

AT DARLSTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.—For Divine service, in the morning, 420 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 15 mins. J. Mark, 1; E. Unitt, 2; T. Lowe, 3; W. Smith, 4; J. Tinsley (conductor), 5; J. Gough, 6; T. Small, 7; J. Foster, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt., in F.

AT ST. MARY'S, WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On a Tuesday, for practice, 720 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE in 26 mins. G. Byde, 1; R. Moss, 2; C. Byde, 3; J. Parker, 4; G. Welling, 5; S. Frost (conductor), 6. Also three courses in the same method. G. Byde, 1; J. Fayers, 2; C. Byde, 3; J. Parker, 4; G. Welling, 5; S. Frost, 6.

AT ST. ANDREW'S LITCHURCH, DERBY.—On a Saturday, a date touch of 1890 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 1 hr. 10 mins. by the following members of the Midland Counties' Association of Change-ringers (St. Andrew's Society):—W. Shardlow, 1; T. Alton, 2; C. Draper, 3; S. Maskrey, 4; A. E. Thompson, 5; C. E. Hart, 6; J. W. Thompson (conductor), 7; C. Dowell, 8. Tenor, 21 cwt., in E flat. Composed by E. Ancombe, Cuckfield, Surrey, to the honour of J. A. Arnold, Esq., the late churchwarden of the above church, and also to celebrate the sixtieth birthday of Mr. Shardlow, the sexton, the company wishing him many happy returns of the day.

AT ST. ANDREW'S, BOREHAM, ESSEX.—On Monday evening, the 15th inst., the Boreham ringers held a meeting in honour of their captain and conductor, Mr. Joseph Young, on his seventieth birthday, and rang 1890 changes, namely, 720 BOB MINOR, 720 NEW LONDON, 360 OXFORD TREBLE BOB, 60 DOUBLE COURT, and 30 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. Mr. Young rang the tenor and conducted. He is the oldest member in the Boreham Company, and has been a ringer in the parish fifty years.

AT TROWELL, NOTTS.—On a Sunday, four members of the Ilkeston St. Mary's Society paid a visit to the church of St. Helen, Trowell, and with the assistance of H. W. Wilde (of Sandiacre) and A. Savage (of the local company) rang, before Divine service in the afternoon, three peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, each called differently. G. Lowndes, 1; G. Needham, 2; H. W. Wilde, 3; J. H. Iliffe, 4; H. Fletcher (conductor), 5; A. Savage, 6.

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This patient is a captain of a river steamer, and came up to Coombe Lodge in September last year.

His health had failed for some time, especially during the last six months. Cough had become more frequent. The phlegm was mixed with a great deal of blood. The breathing had become short; there were pains in the chest and side and night perspirations. For two months he had been laid aside.

In three weeks after his visit he writes that he has followed all the instructions given, and that the pains had left him, and his expectoration was less.

In six weeks he came again to London, and again in the spring, when the signs of Phthisis, which were at first well marked in the upper part of the right lung, were nearly gone. He was advised to persistently continue with the balsam and liniment. Some auxiliary treatment was ordered; the result being that he finally got thoroughly well.

Sept. 9, 1890 (twelve months to a day since he first came under my advice), he writes:—'I feel it my duty to express my utmost thanks to you for the kind treatment I have received at your hands. Your valuable medicine, of which I have taken nine large bottles, has quite restored my health. Now all my symptoms have disappeared for two months. I feel a strong man. I have gained forty pounds in weight! I am now following my occupation once more. You can make what use of my letter you please.—G. H. STUBBS, 222 Weys Green, Winsford, Cheshire.'

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Essex Association.

THERE will be a district meeting at Barking on Saturday, January 10th. The tower of the parish church (eight bells) will be open all day, and probably also that of Holy Trinity (six bells). There will be a short service in the church at 5 p.m., with address by the Vicar. Tea at Working Men's Institute at 5.45. Business meeting at 6.15. The London and Tilbury line grant return tickets from Fenchurch Street at 9d. to members. Members proposing to attend must communicate with the Secretary not later than the previous Tuesday, giving the stations from which they will proceed.

Great Totham Vicarage, Witham. HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Prov. Sec.*

Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

THE next Quarterly Meeting will be held on Saturday, January 10th, at Darlaston. Members assemble at the Parish Church at 2.30 p.m.

J. R. KEBLE, *Hon. Sec.*

The Royal Society of Cumberland Youths.

ON Saturday, the 20th ult., nine members of this Society (including Mr. H. S. Thomas, of Old Battersea) visited Cambridge for the purpose of attempting a peal of STEDMAN CINQUES upon Great St. Mary's bells. They were joined by MESSRS. Geo. Taylor, Israel Rockett, and W. Eusden, of the town, and Mr. F. Pitstow, of Saffron Walden. At about 6.10 p.m. the bells left 'rounds,' to which they returned just before 10 p.m., having been in 'changes' just 3 hrs. 46 mins., and the first peal in the method was an accomplished fact. G. Newson (composer and conductor), 1; B. Foskett, 2; H. Swain, 3; I. Rockett,* 4; E. F. Cole,† 5; H. Hopkins, 6; A. Pittam,* 7; H. Dains, 8; A. Jacob, 9; F. Pitstow, 10; G. Taylor,* 11; W. Eusden,* 12. Tenor, 31 cwt., in D flat. After partaking of refreshments and bidding adieu to old friends, the Londoners went on to Saffron Walden with Mr. F. Pitstow, and upon that excellent ring of eight bells, for Divine Service (both morning and afternoon), on Sunday, DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, and STEDMAN TRIPLES, were rung, with the assistance of Mr. N. J. Pitstow. [* First peal of CINQUES. † First peal of CINQUES in the method.]

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Change-ringers.

THE following members of the above Association being unsuccessful in their attempt on Saturday last, December 27th, 1890, for a long peal of TREBLE BOB ROYAL at St. Mary's, Cheltenham, rang instead a true peal of 5120 TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 24 mins. W. T. Pates (composer and conductor), 1; G. H. Phillott, 2; T. Blackbourne, 3; H. Roberts, 4; F. E. Ward, 5; T. Reynolds, 6; F. Musty, 7; Rev. H. A. Cockey (Master of the Association), 8; W. Greenleaf, 9; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 10. The Rev. G. F. Coleridge came from Caversham; Mr. Reynolds, Birmingham; Messrs. Blackbourne and Greenleaf, Salisbury. The peal was the first in the method of ROYAL by all except the ringers of the 6th, 9th, and 10th bells, and the first peal of ROYAL on the bells since 1833.

Eight of the band went to Prestbury, near Cheltenham, on the same evening, and rang an excellently struck and true peal of 5120 TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 3 mins. W. T. Pates (conductor), 1; W. Greenleaf, 2; F. Musty, 3; T. Blackbourne, 4; T. Reynolds, 5; H. Roberts, 6; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 7; G. H. Phillott, 8. First peal of TREBLE BOB on the bells.

A well-struck quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES was also rung at Prestbury, with the bells muffled, as usual, on Holy Innocents' Day, and also touches of STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE CATERS at St. Mary's, Cheltenham.

ON Monday, the 28th ult., the bells of St. Mary's, Cheltenham, were again in use during a part of the day, owing to the wedding of Miss Witherington and Mr. Broad.

New Bell at High Wycombe, Bucks.

ON Tuesday evening, the 9th ult., the service for the dedication of a new bell, which has just been placed in the belfry of the parish church at High Wycombe, took place in the ringers' chamber of the bell-tower. There were about twenty persons present beside the ringers, the clergy, and the choir. The Vicar, the Rev. Robert Chilton, M.A., was assisted by his curates, the Revs. A. L. Armitage and J. H. Young. The service opened with the Lord's Prayer, followed by some appropriate responses, and the singing of Psalm cl. Several Prayers were then said, and Psalm cxlii. chanted. After the singing of the hymn, 'In Sinai's dreary waste,' the Vicar made an address. The hymn, 'Thanks to Thee, O gracious Lord,' was then sung, and the proceedings terminated.

All Saints' Parish Church, Northampton.

A NEW set of bell-ropes has just been provided for the eight bells, which are to be rebung and improved during the year. Recently a new Ringers' Society has been formed, two of the old members remaining. The new ringers are chiefly young men, and purpose going in for change-ringing after the important improvements now projected.

The Kettering Bells.

THE *Wellingborough Post*, on the eve (December 20th) of the day fixed for the reopening of these bells, contained the following description of them:—

'Prior to 1714 there were only five bells. On June 7th in that year the five bells then hanging in the steeple were taken down and cast into eight. The work was done by Richard Sanders, of Bromsgrove, whose initials are found upon the 1st and 2nd bells. The inscriptions are:—

'1.—"Peace and good neighbourhood. 1714, R. S." [Arms of the See of Peterborough.] Diameter, 30 inches.

'2.—"At the sound of my voice lett the people rejoice. R. S., 1714." Diameter, 31 inches.

'3.—"Holiness unto the Lord. H. F. Henson, C.C., 1890. John Taylor & Co., Loughborough." Diameter, 33½ inches.

'4.—"Bryan Hull, gent., 1714. T. Eayre, Horo." Diameter, 35 inches.

'5.—"Non vox sed votum non musica cordula sed cor. 1630." (Translation: "Not the sound, but the vow; not the musical string, but the heart.") Diameter, 38 inches. 1761 incised on bell.

'6.—"Thomas Eayre, of Kettering; founder. Anno Domini 1732. Omnia Fiant ad gloriam Dei." (Translation: "Let all be done to the glory of God.") Diameter, 40½ inches. Five coins on the bell.

'7.—"I.H.S. Nazarenus Rex Judæorum miserere mei gloria Patri. Filio et Spiritui Sancto Tho Eayre Fecit. Anno Dom 1722." (Translation: "Jesus of Nazareth, King of the Jews, have mercy on me. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.") Diameter, 45 inches.

'8.—"This bell recast by voluntary contributions, 1832. William Cook and John Robinson, Churchwardens. Glory be to God on High. W. and J. Taylor, founders, Oxford, and Bideford, Devon." Diameter, 52 inches.'

A Peal of 5016 Grandsire Cinques.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Saviour's, Bacup, Lancashire.

ON Tuesday, the 16th ult., eight members of the Lancashire Association rang Reeves' variation of Holt's peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. J. Sutcliffe, 1; T. Harrison, 2; J. Wolstenholme, 3; J. Standing (conductor), 4; J. Shepherd, 5; W. Haworth, 6; J. B. Taylor, 7; J. Tattersall, 8.

At the Parish Church, Bradford, Yorkshire.

ON Saturday, the 20th ult., ten members of the Yorkshire Association rang a peal of 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 23 mins. J. Harcastle, 1; B. T. Copley (Bolton), 2; H. Raistrick, 3; J. Broadley, 4; J. Cotterell, 5; J. W. Cundall, 6; J. Angus, 7; J. H. Harcastle (conductor), 8; T. Pollitt (composer), 9; B. F. Lamb, 10. Tenor, 27 cwt. Rung in commemoration of the birthdays of Sidney Clark and J. W. Cundall, also on the anniversary of the wedding of the first-named. It has the second at home eight course-ends, is in the titm-caters position, and is believed to be the first rung with these characteristics.

At St. Michael's, Gloucester.

ON Christmas morning the following members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association and the St. Michael's Junior Society rang a peal of 5152 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 32 mins. W. J. Sevier, 1; R. J. Wilkins, 2; E. B. James, 3; F. E. Hart, 4; J. Austin, 5; S. E. Romans, 6; W. Brunson, 7; H. L. James, 8. Composed by J. Carter, of Birmingham, and conducted by H. L. James. First peal in the method in the county. Tenor, 20 cwt. 48 lbs.

At St. Lawrence's, Stroud, Gloucestershire.

ON Friday, the 26th ult., the following members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association and the St. Michael's Junior Society rang Annable's Three-part peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 17 mins. E. E. Bewick, 1; E. B. James, 2; E. Bishop (Swindon), 3; F. E. Hart, 4; J. Austin, 5; S. E. Romans; H. L. James (conductor), 7; W. H. Brunson, 8. First peal in the method on the bells. Tenor, 25 cwt., in E flat.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

ON Friday, the 26th ult., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5079 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 7 mins. F. G. Newman, 1; H. Langdon, 2; W. E. Garrard, 3; C. F. Winny (conductor), 4; J. N. Oxborough, 5; W. E. Pope (Staplehurst, Kent), 6; F. L. Davies, 7; W. H. George, 8; W. T. Cockerill, 9; S. How, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt.

At All Saints', Maidenhead, Berks.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Reeves' Variation of Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 47 mins. F. J. Harvey, 1; H. Rogers, 2; F. Bentry, 3; J. George, 4; W. E. Yates, 5; J. W. Wilkins (conductor), 6; A. E. Hoskins, 7; H. Gildings, 8. Tenor, 17½ cwt., in E sharp. The conductor rang the 6th without

a stop. Mr. Harvey came from Brighton; George, Rugby; Yates, Great Marlow. This peal was arranged for Mr. George, and was also rung to celebrate the birthday of Mr. Hoskins, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At St. GREGORY'S, SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.—On Saturday, the 20th ult., the following members of the Sudbury company of ringers rang a date touch of 1890 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 1 hr. 11 mins. W. Howell, jun., 1; J. Campin, 2; G. Brown, 3; W. Howell, sen., 4; W. Bacon, 5; C. Sillitoe, 6; A. Scott, 7; H. Harper, 8. This touch was composed by Mr. S. Marsh, of West Bromwich, and conducted by Mr. Sillitoe.

At ALL SAINTS', MALDON, ESSEX.—On Sunday morning, the 28th ult., before service, 1890 changes (the date of the year) were rung in 1 hr. 5 mins, in the following methods:—CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE, 360; DOUBLE COURT BOB, 360; COLLEGE SINGLE, 360; KENT TREBLE BOB, 360; OXFORD TREBLE BOB, 360; BOB MINOR, 60; GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 30. C. Taber, 1; R. Hutson, 2; T. Mansfield, 3; G. Mansfield, 4; W. Chalk (conductor), 5; W. Mansfield, 6. Tenor, about 15 cwt.

At GILLINGHAM, KENT.—On a Sunday, a date touch of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR (1890 changes), in 1 hr. 5 mins. G. Lindoff, 1; A. Hore, 2; A. Harris, 3; W. Cooke, 4; J. Tulett, 5; J. Baker, 6; W. Evans, 7; W. Haigh (conductor), 8. Composed by Mr. Marsh.

At St. MARGARET'S, BARKING, ESSEX.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 45 mins. A. J. Perkins (composer and conductor), 1; L. Copsey, 2; W. Nash, 3; E. Lucas, 4; F. Norris, 5; J. Norris (first quarter-peal), 6; A. Whight, 7; C. Dean, 8. Messrs. Perkins, Copsey, and Nash, came from Romford; the others are local men.

At CHIDDINGFOLD, SURREY.—On a Sunday, for morning service, three peals of BOB DOUBLES. F. Blake, 1; E. Burdock, 2; A. Bartlett, 3; T. Burdock, 4; T. Attwell (conductor), 5; J. Gardner, 6. This is the longest 360 in the method by all.

At GREAT BROMLEY, ESSEX.—On a Saturday, two peals (720) of BOB MINOR, each in 28 mins. F. Knowler, 1; F. Balls, 2; A. Knowler, 3; W. Hazell, 4; J. Taylor, 5; A. Fuller, 6. The first was conducted by A. Fuller, and the other by J. Taylor, of Great Bromley; the other five came from Little Bentley.

At St. MARTIN'S, BIRMINGHAM.—On a Tuesday, twelve members of the St. Martin's Guild rang a quarter-peal of DUFFIELD MAXIMUS (1296 changes) in 1 hr. T. Reynolds, 1; J. Joynes, 2; T. Russam, 3; H. Bastable, 4; W. Kent, 5; A. P. Heywood, Esq. (composer and conductor), 6; J. Griffin, 7; B. Witehell, 8; J. Buffery, 9; H. Johnson, 10; A. Thomas, 11; W. Wakley, 12. Tenor, 36 cwt., in C.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, BURNLEY, LANCASHIRE.—On a Saturday, 720 BOB MINOR (sixteen bobs and two singles), in 28½ mins. F. Calvert, 1; J. Horrocks, 2; T. Duxbury, 3; H. Hayes (conductor), 4; J. Walker, 5; J. Bentley, 6. Tenor, 17 cwt.

At St. MARY'S, WALTON-ON-THE-HILL.—On a Friday evening, 720 YORKSHIRE COURT BOB MINOR (sixteen bobs and two singles), in 26 mins. T. Johnson, 1; H. Kelly, 2; R. Hurst, 3; T. R. Somerville, 4; W. Bramley, 5; C. E. Wilson (conductor), 6. Tenor, 9 cwt.

At NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE.—On a Monday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR (fifteen bobs). W. Eggleston, 1; E. Wallis, 2; W. Story, 3; F. Lees, 4; T. Denton, 5; C. L. Routledge (conductor), 6.

At St. NICHOLAS', GUILDFORD, SURREY.—On a Thursday, for practice, 960 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR. M. Brown, 1; G. Croucher, 2; F. W. J. Rees, 3; J. J. Jones, 4; E. Heathorn, 5; C. W. Miller, 6; F. Bennett, 7; W. Grove (conductor), 8. Also 576 in the same method, with T. H. Colburn, 2; and M. Brown, 4. And on a Sunday, for Divine service, 1248 in the same method in 48 mins., with T. H. Colburn at the 2nd, in place of G. Croucher; conducted by F. Bennett. The last was the longest touch in the method by all the band. Tenor, 28 cwt.

At WEST KEAL, LINCOLNSHIRE.—On a Wednesday, for practice, 720 BOB MINOR. H. Daulton, 1; W. Vickers, 2; J. Seymour, 3; F. Hicks, 4; J. Seagrave, 5; J. Haw (first 720 as conductor), 6.

At St. MICHAEL'S, GLOUCESTER.—On a Sunday, a touch of TREBLE BOB MAJOR, for morning service; also, for evening service, a touch of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. E. E. Bewick, 1; R. J. Wilkins, 2; W. H. Brunsdon, 3; J. Austin, 4; S. E. Romans, 5; F. E. Hart, 6; W. J. Sevier, 7; H. L. James (conductor), 8. Tenor, 21 cwt., in E.

At HORSMONDEN, KENT.—On a Sunday, being the birthday of W. H. Lambert, 720 BOB MINOR in 30 mins. W. H. Lambert, 1; G. E. Boorman, 2; E. Newman, 3; F. J. Lambert, 4; G. J. Bell (conductor), 5; W. Bell, 6.

At SPILSBY, LINCOLNSHIRE.—On a Thursday, for practice, 720 BOB MINOR. G. Towle (first 720), 1; T. Seagrave, 2; F. Hicks, 3; F. Haw, 4; J. Seagrave, 5; J. Haw (conductor), 6. First 720 by an entirely local band for over fifty years.

At WANTAGE, BERKS.—On a Saturday, 720 VIOLET TREBLE BOB MINOR in 27 mins. O. Gregory, 1; A. Gregory, 2; C. Page, 3; G. Gregory, 4; A. Bunce, 5; F. May (conductor), 6.

At Church, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday, for evening service, 720 BOB MINOR (sixteen bobs and two singles), in 28½ mins. Also on a Monday, 720 BOB MINOR (eighteen bobs and two singles), in 28 mins. F. Calvert, 1; C. J. Rigby, 2; J. Horrocks, 3; H. Hayes (conductor), 4; W. Pattinson, 5; J. Bentley, 6. Tenor, 15 cwt.

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In December of last year I was consulted by Mrs. HOY, of BELFAST, relative to her little daughter, then sinking fast from disease of the right lung, following an attack of Scarlatina.

The child had a fearful cough, causing vomiting and loss of appetite; she had become very weak, and was rapidly wasting. Dr. G. had said the right lung was very bad, and that there was very little, if any, hope of recovery. 'I have read your treatise on Consumption' (Mrs. Hoy says), 'and the many testimonials and records of cases which seem miraculous, and have a hope now that your medicine may lead, by God's blessing, to the recovery of our dear child.'

In two months the little patient was reported to be 'much improved, appetite better, gaining in flesh and colour'; 'can run about now.'

A slight relapse occurred in April, probably from cold; but after that she gained more flesh and colour, and the cough and other symptoms disappeared.

Writing to me in July, the mother says:—'Every one says my little girl is a wonder; she is quite strong now.'

In September, she writes:—'My dear child continues well; I am sure we owe her life, by God's help, to your valuable medicine.'

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There is also a well-written biographical sketch of 'General Booth,' with portrait.

THE LEISURE HOUR (R.T.S.) deals with 'Huntingdon' in its 'Story of the English Shires,' and with 'The Sidings' in its 'Everyday Life on the Railroad.' Mr. Heath's 'Remarkable Winters in Europe' is certainly a seasonable contribution, and should reconcile us to the (comparatively) mild December of 1890. Mr. John Dennis introduces his readers to the deeply interesting 'Journal of Sir Walter Scott,' now published without abridgment.

IN THE SUNDAY AT HOME (R.T.S.) Professor Sayce pictures to us scenes of 'Marriage and Death' among the Assyrians and Babylonians; the Rev. George Cousins gives the history of 'Travancore and Christian Missions;' and Ruth Lamb continues her sound practical counsels to 'Visiting Ladies.' The life-story of 'Joseph Lancaster' will probably be new to many readers.

THE GIRL'S OWN PAPER (R.T.S.) also discourses 'On being a Visiting Lady,' a subject which now seems to be receiving the attention it deserves, the old theory that 'anybody would do' to undertake house-to-house visitation of the poor being happily a thing of the past. Ascott Hope's 'Stories from the Abolition Crusade' are capital, and we are glad to be able to recommend Miss Carey's 'Averil' as a thoroughly healthy tale of higher tone than has recently distinguished the stories in the *Girl's Own Paper*.

IN THE CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL MAGAZINE (C.E.S.S. Institute) Mr. Holmes deals with the question, 'Are Sunday Schools in Country Parishes Failures?' Mr. Kitchin's description of 'The Moabite Stone' is most valuable.

THE CHURCH WORKER contains a beautiful and helpful 'Hymn for a Bible Class,' by A. E. G.

THE CHURCH MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCER appears in its enlarged form, and contains, besides the usual reports, letters, &c., from the foreign field, a narrative of the rise and progress of the Gleaners' Union, and a very interesting account, by Canon Edmonds, of 'Henry Martyn and his Bible Translations.'

THE GLEANER gives portraits of the Soudan missionaries, which will be specially welcome to all who were present at their farewell meeting in Exeter Hall a year ago.

TOILERS OF THE DEEP and the WORD ON THE WATERS appeal respectively for aid to the 'Mission to Deep-sea Fishermen' and the 'Missions to Seamen.'

THE G. F. S. publications—ASSOCIATES' JOURNAL AND ADVERTISER, FRIENDLY WORK, and FRIENDLY LEAVES (Wells Gardner, Darton & Co.)—keep up their reputation, but call for no special remark; and the same may be said of the CHILD'S PICTORIAL (S.P.C.K.), JEWISH INTELLIGENCE (Nisbet), CENTRAL AFRICA, and the CORAL MISSIONARY MAGAZINE (Wells Gardner), THE MORNING CALM and the EVENING SCHOOL CHRONICLE (Griffith & Farran), and the ever-energetic ZOOPHILIST.

THE LADIES' TREASURY (Bemrose) contains an amusing account of 'Etiquette and Domestic Customs in Germany,' and an instructive chapter of 'Curiosities in Nature,' entitled 'Walking Leaves.' It would be an improvement to this periodical if the advertisements could all be placed together at the end, instead of being scattered promiscuously throughout its pages.

THE YOUNG MAN.—This magazine has been enlarged to thirty-six well-printed pages, and the price raised from a penny to threepence. On the whole, we cannot say that the general improvement quite justifies this step. All the articles are interesting. There is a little too much of Dr. Parker for those who do not fully appreciate that aggressive personality. Dr. Clifford begins an important series of papers on 'Biblical Difficulties and How to Meet them.'

THE Christmas Number of the GARDENER'S MAGAZINE, in addition to the usual gardening information, includes a well illustrated supplement, containing a pretty love story by Mr. George Manville Fenn, entitled *One Christmas Morning*, and some other pleasant reading. A beautiful orchid Almanack, printed in colours, is presented with the number.

SERMONS IN PICTURES: NO. 1.—THE ANGELUS.—This little sermon is profitable reading, got up in an attractive form.

We have received from the well-known publishing house of Messrs. Cassell & Company Part 40 of Messrs. Thornbury & Walford's OLD AND NEW LONDON; Part 76 of AN OLD TESTAMENT COMMENTARY, edited by Bishop Ellicott; Part 16 of Dr. Geikie's HOLY LAND AND THE BIBLE; Part 12 of Archdeacon Farrar's LIFE OF CHRIST, each of which is too well known to need special remark. Each is of its kind excellent.

ALSO received: The first number of the 50th volume of Messrs. Pitman & Son's PHONETIC JOURNAL, which has been enlarged and contains many things of interest to shorthand writers and readers; the Christmas double number of the CHARITY RECORD; and ONWARD AND UPWARD; THE WHIRLWIND; ALL THE WORLD; MELIA'S MAGAZINE; THE FOREIGN CHURCH CHRONICLE,

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

ON Saturday, December 27th, the Monthly Meeting of the Guild was held at Bootle, and there was a fair attendance of members from Aughton, Crosby, Crossens, Sefton, and Southport, besides the local company. Service was held at 4.30 p.m., prayers being read by the Vicar (Rev. F. C. Master), and a practical address delivered by the Rev. W. T. Bulpit. After the ringers had partaken of an excellent tea, which was provided in the Mission-room, Mr. Short was called to preside over the meeting, and called upon the Secretary to read the minutes of the last meeting. This having been done, Mr. J. Martin (Yorkton) then reported the correspondence he had with the Lancashire and Yorkshire and London and North-Western Railway Companies; to enable numbers of eight or more to travel at a cheaper rate when attending meetings of the Guild. After some discussion as to form of card for the Benevolent Fund, a very pleasant meeting was brought to a close with the usual vote of thanks. Seven new members were made. Methods rung:—GRANDSIRE, BOB, KENT and OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Barnabas', Swanmore, Hampshire.

ON Christmas Day, the 25th ult., 5040 changes, in four methods, on six bells; viz., two 720's each of CANTERBURY PLEASURE, OXFORD BOB and PLAIN BOB, and 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 2 hrs. 25 mins., by the following members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild:—A. Millard (first peal), 1; R. Linter, 2; H. Griffin, 3; W. Linter, 4; J. E. Warren, 5; G. Williams (conductor), 6. The conductor came from Brighton, the rest are local men. Tenor, 7 cwt., in B flat.

At All Saints', Hursley, Hampshire.

ON Friday, the 26th ult., 5040 changes, in five methods, on six bells, viz., two 720's each of OXFORD and KENT TREBLE BOB, and 720 changes each of COLLEGE SINGLE, OXFORD BOB, and BOB MINOR, were rung by the following members of the Sussex County Association in 2 hrs. 57 mins.:—A. B. Bennett, Esq.,* 1; T. Ellis (first peal on inside bell), 2; Dr. W. H. George,* 3; C. Tribe, 4; W. Selby, 5; G. Williams (conductor), 6. Tenor, about 12 cwt., in G. This is the first peal rung on the bells. Mr. Williams came from Brighton; Mr. Tribe, Romsey; the rest from Midhurst. They wish to thank the Rector for his kindness in granting permission to ring. [* First peal.]

At St. Peter's, Drayton, Berks.

ON Friday, the 26th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 42 mins. A. Payne, 1; W. Baston, 2; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 3; W. Gifford, 4; W. Blackburn, 5; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 6; W. Greenleaf, 7; H. Fruin, 8. Messrs. Gifford, Blackburn, and Greenleaf, came from Salisbury. First peal of Oxford by the Guild. [No number mentioned.]

At St. Michael's, Basingstoke, Hants.

ON Friday, the 26th ult., eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 38 mins. T. Page (first peal), 1; J. Ballard, 2; F. Wilson, 3; S. Powell, 4; T. Curtis, 5; W. Bulpitt (Dorking), 6; H. White (conductor), 7; A. Knights, 8. Tenor, 16 cwt.

At the Parish Church, Prestbury, Gloucestershire.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang a peal of 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 3 mins. W. T. Pates (conductor), 1; W. Greenleaf, 2; F. Musty, 3; T. Blackburn, 4; T. Reynolds, 5; H. Roberts, 6; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 7; G. H. Phillott, 8. Tenor, 14½ cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells.

At St. John's, Waterloo Road, London.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult. (St. John's Day), eight members of the Waterloo Society rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 52 mins. W. Coppage, 1; A. E. Church, 2; S. G. Davies, 3; F. L. Davies, 4; W. Partington, 5; W. Baron, jun., 6; G. W. Wild, 7; E. Bayford, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt.

At Pershore, Worcestershire.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. D. Roberts, 1; W. Baston, 2; H. Fruin, 3; F. E. Dawe (conductor), 4; T. Hibbert, 5; W. Gifford, 6; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 7; J. W. Washbrook, 8.

At St. Margaret's, Leiston, Suffolk.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association met for the purpose of ringing T. Day's 16,608 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, but after ringing upwards of 8000 changes in 5 hrs., it unfortunately came to an end. J. Motts, 1; W. Motts, 2; G. Lindoff, 3; W. P. Garrett, 4; W. G. Crickmer, 5; W. Ward, 6; R. Brundle, 7; F. J. Tillett, 8.

ON Monday, the 29th ult., eight members of the same Association rang a peal of 5088 BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 56 mins. F. Argent, 1; W. Taylor, 2; T. E. Shearing, 3; G. Lindoff, 4; H. J. Button, 5; W. Button, 6; A. J. Lincoln, 7; R. W. Stannard, 8. Composed by C. W. Clarke of Bedford, and conducted by G. Lindoff. Tenor, 20½ cwt., in E.

At the Parish Church, Hughenden, Bucks.

ON Monday, the 29th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a variation of Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs.

40 mins. J. W. Washbrook, 1; W. E. Yates,* 2; F. L. Free,* 3; S. T. Goodchild, 4; Rev. F. E. Robinson (conductor), 5; R. Biggs, 6; J. Evans, 7; H. Stratford, 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt. [* First peal in the method.]

On Tuesday, the 30th ult., at the same church and by the same Guild, Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 40 mins. F. L. Free, 1; H. Stratford, 2; S. T. Goodchild, 3; Rev. F. E. Robinson (conductor), 4; F. Biggs, 5; R. Biggs, 6; J. Evans, 7; W. Goodchild, 8.

At All Saints', Loughborough, Leicestershire,

On Tuesday, the 30th ult., a peal of 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL was rung in 3 hrs. 35 min. by the following members of the Midland Counties' Association (Loughborough branch). W. T. Billingham, 1; W. A. Tyler, 2; J. Smith, 3; R. Lane, 4; S. Smith, 5; J. Hardy, 6; E. W. Cartwright, 7; F. A. Underwood, 8; E. Reader, 9; J. W. Taylor, jun. 10. Composed by Mr. W. Booth, and conducted by Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun. The first half was rung with the tenors in the Tittum position. Tenor, 28 cwt., in D.

At the Parish Church, Carsbalton, Surrey.

On Tuesday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Surrey Association rang Johnson's Twelve-part peal of 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 42 mins. J. Wignall, 1; F. Holder, 2; E. Walker, 3; J. Trappitt, 4; J. Plowman (conductor), 5; J. Hartley, 6; J. Harding, 7; W. Morley, 8. The conductor's thirty-ninth birthday.

At St Peter's, Brighton, Sussex.

On Wednesday, the 31st ult., the following members of the Sussex County Association rang a peal of 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 1 min. J. Jay, sen., 1; H. Weston, 2; G. Williams, 3; G. A. King, 4; G. F. Attree, 5; E. C. Merrett, 6; A. A. Fuller, 7; J. Reilley, 8. Composed by Mr. C. H. Hattersley, and conducted by Mr. Reilley. Rung with bells half-muffled for the midnight service.

At St Mary's, Walthamstow, Essex.

On Thursday, New Year's Day, 1891, eight members of the St. James's Society rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 52 mins. R. J. Maynard, 1; T. Maynard, 2; G. Grimwade, 3; J. Nunn, 4; F. G. Newman (conductor), 5; J. Cullen, 6; A. G. Freeman, 7; W. H. Freeman, 8. Tenor, 19½ cwt.

At St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, London.

On Saturday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. J. Bonny, 1; M. A. Wood, 2; J. Pettit (conductor), 3; E. Wallage, 4; S. Binfield, 5; W. Prime, 6; J. West, 7; R. Hughes, 8. Rung as a birthday peal to Mr. Prime, who completed his thirty-sixth anniversary the Saturday previous; also as a compliment to M. A. Wood, who has held the office of steeple-keeper at the above church for forty-eight years.

At St. Nicholas', Sevenoaks, Kent.

On Saturday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Kent County Association (who are also members of the Ancient Society of College Youths) rang an excellent peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (Brook's Variation) in 3 hrs. 7 mins. F. G. Newman (conductor), 1; W. H. L. Buckingham, 2; A. Moorcraft, 3; R. Edward, 4; F. J. French, 5; A. C. West, 6; A. Palmer, 7; G. J. Moorcraft, 8. Tenor, 22 cwt. This is the first peal of STEDMAN on the bells, and the first true peal of any kind since 1841. After the ringing the band were entertained at supper by the Rector, the Rev. T. S. Curteis, who had listened to the whole of the peal, and complimented them on the good striking. The ringers wish to thank him for his kindness, and for allowing them the use of the bells.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, HIGH WYCOMBE.—On Tuesday, the 23rd ult., an attempt was made by the Oxford Diocesan Guild to ring Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES; but after ringing about 4970 changes in 3 hrs. 17 mins., the ringing was stopped, owing to a service being held in the church. W. Smith, 1; W. Whiffen, 2; E. W. Yates, 3; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 4; S. Goodchild, 5; E. W. Thompson, 6; A. W. Tubb, 7; R. Wheeler and E. Britnell, 8. The above was rung in honour of the return of Lord Carrington (late Governor of New South Wales) to Wycombe Abbey. The 6th and 7th bells have recently been rebung by Messrs. Blackburn and Greenleaf, of Salisbury, who have given great satisfaction. [How came 4970 to take 3 hrs. 17 mins.?—Ed.]

AT ST. PETER'S, SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.—On Saturday, the 27th ult., the following members of the Sudbury company rang a date touch of 1890 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 15 mins. W. Howell, jun., 1; A. Howell (Hornsey), 2; J. Campin, 3; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 4; W. Bacon, 5; W. Howell, sen., 6; H. Harper, 7; H. Brackett, 8. The ringers wish to thank all those who subscribed to the Ringers' Christmas Fund.

AT BENINGTON, HERTS.—On Wednesday evening, December 31st, the Society of Change-ringers, all resident in the village of Benington, Herts, assembled in their steeple, and in excellent style rang upon their musical ring of eight bells (tenor, 14 cwt., key F sharp) two select touches of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR and STEDMAN TRIPLES, consisting of 1176 melodious changes—ringing out a parting farewell to the Old Year, with all its changes and events now past, and with a hearty welcome to our New Year, hoping that we may have the blessings of a prosperous one. The bells were raised and fallen in musical order. N. Warner, 1; Jos. Kitchener, 2; L. Proctor, Esq., 3; H. Warner, 4; J. Kitchener, 5; Jabez Warner, 6; C. Shamrock, 7; S. Page (conductor), 8. 'Right well did the fine bells of Benington's musical steeple ring, and send out changes both far and near into air both clear and keen, for distant ears which heard their sounds with great delight.'

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

CONSUMPTION—SECOND STAGE—MISS STREAT- FIELD—RECOMMENDED BY A LADY IN BRIGHTON.

The patient, Miss S. A. STREATFIELD, of ROTHERFIELD, applied to me in November of last year, recommended by a lady (Miss M.) residing in Brighton, who took great interest in her case.

There had been family tendency to Consumption on her mother's side. Weakness and shortness of breath were the first symptoms, which were followed by a hacking cough, painful dyspnœa, and green purulent expectoration. Dr. M. then said she had passed beyond the first stage. Gradual loss of strength ensued.

She commenced my treatment, and in February she was much better in all respects.

In March, she says:—'I have not been so well for a long time. When I left home for a change, my doctor said *I should not return alive*. While I was away I heard of you, and was advised to write you without delay.'

The lady I have referred to, writing to me recently (October 23rd), says:—'I hear that Alice Streatfield is quite well. Not only have the symptoms of disease all disappeared but she can walk long distances. The outlook for her was very serious, but now, through God's blessing on your valuable advice, we trust she may be a very useful member of society. Her father has removed, and she now lives with him at BYFLEET, near Weybridge, Surrey.'

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the authorship of the second part, and it is to the elaboration of that position that most readers of this second part will most naturally turn. The main position is indicated in the following words (page 123):—'We say "of the second Isaiah" for that the Isaiah, who composed chapters xl-lxvi. in comparison with the Isaiah of the time of Uzziah till Hezekiah, is one far raised above that time, and at a higher stage of insight into God's work in the future, is certain, whether the two Isaiahs are one person or two persons. Thus the critical question is not easily answered. For however it is answered, obscure points remain which cannot be cleared up. The matter in question is the solving of a problem, not the expounding of a matter beyond all doubt: at least not for us to whom the naming of Cyrus is not a conclusive disproof of the personal unity of the two Isaiahs. We also hold this disproof to be almost, although not absolutely, conclusive; but it is strengthened by other proofs from the substance of religious truth taught, and the outward form of these discourses to the exiles.' The exegesis is, as always with Delitzsch, luminous and spiritual, and his commentary will live because of these qualities alone, even though his critical position may not by-and-by be accepted.

SIGNA CHRISTI: EVIDENCES OF CHRISTIANITY SET FORTH IN THE PERSON AND WORK OF CHRIST. By James Aitchison, minister of Erskine Church, Falkirk. (London: Cassell & Co. 1890. 5s.)—A candid and thoughtful presentation of the claims of our Lord, based upon His Teaching, Miracles, Sufferings, Resurrection, and Living Witness. The last chapter seems to us the best in the book. There is much incidental criticism, especially of Renan and Gibbon, the value of which consists in its not being overdone. We are glad to recommend the book.

THE BATTLE OF THE STANDPOINTS. The Old Testament and the Higher Criticism. By Alfred Cave, B.A., D.D. (London: Eyre & Spottiswoode. 1890. 6d.)—A popular exposition of the same author's paper in the *Contemporary* in reply to Canons Driver and Cheyne. Dr. Cave knows his subject, but is not quite restful enough. A little less noise would make his defence more effective. 'Canon' Gore of *Lux Mundi* fame (page 23) is a person as yet unknown to the ecclesiastical world.

MAGAZINES.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH MAGAZINE contains some brightly written notes upon current Church Life; an interesting paper by the Rev. George Washington on Sunday Schools, Guilds, and Church Institutes; an article on the attitude of the Church towards General Booth's Scheme, and a chatty account of a visit to Italy by the Rev. C. F. Weidemann, entitled 'Haps and Mishaps.'

THE NET gives the particulars of the heavy losses inflicted on the Churches in South Africa by the failure of the Cape of Good Hope Bank. Sixteen different funds are losers, with a total of 27,259*l.* A first dividend of 5*s.* in the pound has been paid, and a second instalment may be made in two months. After that no more is expected for a twelvemonth. This must be very serious, especially as many people who might have been otherwise appealed to are themselves losers. Extracts from a letter by Bishop Blyth tell us that the Jews at Jerusalem have increased in the last six years from 8000 to 34,000, and that their attitude towards Christianity is greatly changed for the better. 'The land changes also; the "latter rains" are now again regularly given, after centuries of cessation, . . . and the land is everywhere opening to commerce. Two railways are in formation, and another is projected; and two seaports are being rendered safe for shipping and for landing goods.' *The Net* concludes with the first instalment of an intended monthly list or index of current information about Church missions in various magazines of the preceding month, and indicating the sort of readers likely to be interested by the various items. We commend this 'new plan' to our readers as likely to be useful.

THE NEWBURY HOUSE MAGAZINE gives a paper by Bishop Blyth on the 'Jew of To-day,' with two capital illustrations, reproduced from photographs, representing the Jews' Wailing-place and the Tower of David. There is also the first part of a thoughtful article on Socialism. A curious and not very pleasant paper tells us of the origin of Australian Methodism. Hardwar and its fair are well described and illustrated. We congratulate the editor on opening the new year with a very good number.

WHOEVER wishes to know what Mr. Booth's 'Salvation' means, would do well to read the account of it in **OUR WORK**, drawn from the published books of the sect. To our minds the system seems simply blasphemous. The whole Church of God seems to be as calmly set on one side as if it had never existed, and all the world seems to be called upon to accept General Booth and his successors as supreme and infallible. Popery is nothing to it. A Pope is at least elected. The one person 'generally' necessary to 'salvation' chooses his own successor. Some of us will live to see this anachronism burst.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Lancashire Association of Six-bell Ringers.

THE Quarterly Meeting of the above Association was held on Saturday, the 20th ult., at Penwortham, the following places being represented:—Blackrod; St. Andrew's and St. James's, Leyland; Standish; St. Mark's, Prestor; and Penwortham. The methods rung were LONDON SINGLE BOB, VICTORIA, and MINOR BOB. At half-past six the members sat down to supper, and the usual business meeting was held immediately afterwards, the chair being occupied by the President of the Association. The business was of the usual routine character, twelve performing members being elected. After a vote of thanks to the President for presiding, and to the Vicar for the use of the bells, a pleasant meeting was brought to a close.

Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.

THE usual Monthly Ringing Meeting of the above Society was held at Bramley, on Saturday, the 27th ult. Members attended from Leeds, Holbeck, Huddersfield, Headingley, Pudsey, Rothwell and Bramley, and touches of OXFORD, KENT, and VIOLET TREBLE BOB MINOR, were rung. A resolution to hold the Annual General Meeting for the election of officers at Leeds on the last Saturday in March was passed. A vote of thanks to the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the Bramley Company for their arrangements, brought the meeting to a close.

Death of an Old Ringer at Barrow.

ON Wednesday, the 7th inst., the tenor bell of the parish church announced the death of John Stainton, who had attained the great age of eighty-one years, and was respected by all who knew him. For many years he held the office of sexton. His remains were on Friday, the 9th inst., consigned to their last resting-place in Barrow Cemetery, a large concourse of friends being present to pay their last sad tribute of respect. After the funeral a muffled peal was rung by the following:—John Westoby, 1; W. Crowder, 2; E. Dannatt, 3; A. Allison, 4; J. Bilton, 5; H. Edwards, 6. Tenor, 20 cwt.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. George's, Hyde, Cheshire.

ON Friday, the 2nd inst., a peal of 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR was rung in 3 hrs. 6 mins. J. Sidebottom, 1; J. Hopwood, 2; J. S. Wilde, 3; J. Mellor, 4; B. Broadbent, 5; S. Bradley, 6; T. Wilde, 7; S. Wood (composer and conductor), 8. J. Sidebottom came from Mottram; Wilde, brothers and Bradley, Hyde; the others, Ashton-under-Lyne.

At St. Giles's, Camberwell, London.

ON Saturday, the 3rd inst., ten members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5186 STEEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 21 mins. G. Newson (composer and conductor), 1; H. Swain, 2; C. E. Malin, 3; B. Foskett, 4; A. Pittam, 5; H. A. Hopkins, 6; E. F. Cole, 7; W. Jones (first peal in the method), 8; A. Jacob, 9; W. G. Bull (first peal on ten bells), 10. Tenor, 25 cwt. The above peal was rung for the first time, has 5-6 exclusively behind the 9th, with all the 9-7-8's and 8-9's in the Tittum position.

At the Parish Church, Newchurch, Lancashire.

ON Monday, the 5th inst., eight members of the Lancashire Association rang a peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (Reeves's Variation reversed) in 3 hrs. 1 min. J. Taylor, 1; J. Shepherd (conductor), 2; J. Ashworth, 3; H. H. Nutter, 4; W. Taylor, 5; A. Diver (first peal), 6; J. T. Stott, 7; J. Diver, 8.

At St. Andrew's, Witham-on-the-Hill, Lincolnshire.

ON Tuesday, the 6th inst., six members of the South Lincolnshire Association rang a peal of 5040 changes, being seven 720's of BOB MINOR, each called differently. C. Newham, 1; T. Allam, 2; N. Moxon, 3; A. T. Allen, 4; J. T. Woolley, 5; T. S. Smith (conductor), 6.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Erith, Kent.

ON Tuesday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Society of Trinity Youths, who are also members of the Kent County Association, rang a peal of 5040 STEEDMAN TRIPLES (Brooks's Variation) in 2 hrs. 55 mins. W. J. Reeve, *1; F. G. Newman (conductor), 2; G. Conyard, 3; C. F. Winny, 4; H. Gibbs, *5; E. Barnett, 6; F. J. French, 7; J. Garrard, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt. This is the first peal of STEEDMAN on the bells, and the first by the Society of Trinity Youths. [* First peal in the method.]

At St. Peter's, Old Windsor, Berks.

ON Saturday, the 10th inst., Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (reversed) was rung in 3 hrs. 1 min. by the following members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell-ringers:—G. Williams, *1; G. Stanbrook, †2; R. Flaxman, †3; J. W. Wilkins (conductor), †4; A. Andrews, †5; W. Fussell, †6; S. Quinton, 7; Jos. Guttridge, *8. Tenor, 11½ cwt. in F sharp. This is the first peal in the method on the bells. Permission was kindly given by the Vicar (the Rev. T. E. Harwood), and his son sat in the belfry during the performance. [* First peal. † Members of the Royal Cumberland Youths' Society, London.]

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT BRIGHTON.—Handbell-ringing.—On New Year's Day, for practice at the residence of Mr. King, two touches (518 and 658) of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Mrs. G. Williams, 1-2; G. A. King, 3-4; G. Williams (conductor), 5-6; H. Weston, 7-8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, BALDOCK, HERTS.—On Thursday, January 1st, a date touch of 1891 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 1 hr. 15 mins. J. Phillips, 1; E. Bray, 2; J. Cawdell, 3; J. Craft, 4; G. T. Spicer, 5; A. Thurgood, 6; R. Jackson, 7; G. Gentle, 8. Composed by A. P. Heywood, Esq., and conducted by R. Jackson. This is the longest touch of STEDMAN by all except the 5th man. Tenor, 28 cwt.

AT ST. JAMES'S, HULL.—With the bells half muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Archbishop of York, 360 GRANDSIRE MINOR, and a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 10 mins. G. T. Miller, 1; R. Chaffer, 2; G. M. Brownrigg, 3; F. Merrison, 4; H. Jenkins, 5; W. Southwick, 6; J. W. Stickney, 7; W. Wilson (longest touch), 8. Tenor, 15 cwt. Composed by Mr. W. H. Howard, of York, and conducted by Mr. Stickney.

AT ST. JAMES'S, PANGBOURNE, BERKS.—On a Thursday evening, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR. E. Bushnell, 1; A. C. West (Maidstone), 2; W. Lawrence, 3; J. Day, 4; C. Chapman, 5; H. Goodyer, 6. And 720 BOB MINOR, the treble and fourth changing ropes. Also on a Friday, 720 BOB MINOR. J. E. Hern (Reading), 1; F. Hopgood (Reading), 2; W. Lawrence (conductor), 3; C. Pockock, 4; H. Goodyer, 5; C. Chapman, 6. And 720 GRANDSIRE, with J. Nicholls, 1.

AT SALISBURY, WILTS.—On a Wednesday, 720 BOB MINOR. C. Watts (first 720), 1; R. Gollop, 2; G. Doel (first 720), 3; S. Macey, 4; C. A. Clements, 5; W. W. Gifford (conductor), 6. On a Friday, on handbells, 2030 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. R. Gollop, 1-2; W. S. Wise (conductor), 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; S. Lawrence, 7-8. And on a Wednesday, a quarter-peal by the same band.

AT CHRIST CHURCH, CREWE, CHESHIRE.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR (thirty-four bobs and two singles) in 28 mins. J. Wright, 1; A. Wilson, 2; R. Langford, 3; A. Jarvis, 4; R. T. Holding (conductor), 5; G. Harding, 6; H. Green and J. Evanson, tenor. The above was rung on the middle six with the tenor covering, and is the first 720 rung on the bells by a band of local ringers. First 720 by the ringers of the first, sixth, and tenor bells; also by the third ringer with a bob-bell.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, LONGCOTT, BERKS.—On a Saturday, 720 PLAIN BOB MINOR. T. Freebury,* 1; T. Ricketts,* 2; J. H. Shepherd, 3; H. B. Slack,* 4; O. W. Layng, 5; E. Bishop (conductor), 6. Tenor, about 10 cwt. [* First peal of MINOR.]

5120 of Treble Bob Major.

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2	3	4	5	6	M.	B.	W.	H.
3	6	4	5	2	1			2
2	3	5	6	4	2		1	2
4	2	6	3	5			2	2
6	5	3	2	4	2		2	2
2	4	5	3	6	1		2	2
4	6	5	3	2	1			2
2	4	3	6	5	2		1	2
5	2	6	4	3			2	2
6	3	4	2	5	2		2	2
2	5	3	4	6	1		2	2
5	6	3	4	2	1			2
2	5	4	6	3	2		1	2
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2	3	4	5	6	2			2

5088 of Treble Bob Major.

By W. J. SEVIER.

2	3	4	5	6	M.	B.	W.	H.
3	5	2	6	4				
5	6	3	4	2				
2	6	5	4	3				
6	4	2	3	5				
4	3	6	5	2				
5	4	3	2	6				2
4	2	3	5	6				

Twice repeated.

5040 of Treble Bob Royal.

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2	3	4	5	6	M.	W.	H.
5	2	3	6	4	2		2
2	4	3	6	5	1		2
4	5	3	6	2	1		2
5	4	2	6	3	2		2
5	2	6	4	3		1	2
2	5	3	4	6	2		2
6	3	5	4	2	1		1
5	2	4	3	6	1		1
5	4	3	2	6		1	2
2	3	4	5	6		2	2

[Our correspondents must bear in mind that our space being very limited, we are unable, as a rule, to insert 'compositions.' But we will always endeavour to give, if the conductor cares to send them, the figures of a peal sent in connexion with the report of its performance. More than this we cannot do. As our compositor had set up Mr. Sevier's peals previous to our having seen them, they are allowed to stand for this once.—*Ed. C. B.*]

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

PHTHISIS—BOTH LUNGS AFFECTED—CASE OF MISS S. K., OF WORTHING.

(As this patient is in a situation I will give the address by letter only to any bona fide inquirer at Worthing who may wish to see her.)

On 24th March last a statement of this case was sent me. Her father and mother had both died of chest disease. Her own illness commenced with cold, cough, expectoration; then followed dyspepsia, loss of appetite, pains; then followed flushings, palpitations, disordered secretions; then followed general loss of flesh and strength;—she was then examined, and both lungs declared to be diseased.

The patient remarking the marvellous recovery of Mrs. Wadlow, of Cobham, an old patient, whom she knew when living there, and whose case appeared in the early edition of my book, and is reprinted in my present book (page 31), was encouraged to write to me, and she adds to the statement of her case, 'The doctor says that one of my lungs is nearly gone, and the other much affected, and a severe cold might carry me off at any time.'

In a month she writes:—'I am glad to tell you I feel better and stronger, and appetite improved.'

On the 29th May she was much better as to be able to come to London. It was then discovered on examination that both lungs had been decidedly touched with phthisis, and were rapidly recovering their healthy condition, without suppuration or destruction of tissue.

In June she writes me:—'I feel quite a different person to what I was a few months ago. My friends tell me the same. I am so glad I wrote to you, and tried your treatment, which I shall always recommend. Your kindness and help to me through God has made me so well.'

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the Recognition of Historical Criticism of the Bible and Apostolical Succession are also worth perusal, the former especially so.

MONUMENTAL BRASSES. By Rev. Herbert W. Macklin, B.A. (London: Swan Sonnenschein & Co. 1890.)—This is a well-packed and careful book by one who is an enthusiast in his subject, and it certainly ought to appeal to all clergymen, who, particularly in these days, should never lose sight of the past, or in any way neglect the property whose custodians they are, since they point with such pride to the fact that they belong to a national and historic Church. The author puts forward clearly the important side lights that these monumental brasses cast on history, and succeeds in upholding a claim to our attention for them besides that which is their due as works of art. The book is interestingly written, in spite of the immense mass of information which it contains. It is, besides, very cheap, and the only book on the subject which is in print at the present time. The author supplies a biography which will be of use to those who wish to pursue the subject further, and he concludes with a chapter on the distribution of brasses in this country, which (as he acknowledges) is compiled in the main from Haines.

THE BLIND MAN'S CREED, AND OTHER SERMONS. By Charles H. Parkhurst, D.D., Pastor of the Madison Square Church, New York. (London: R. D. Dickinson. 1890. 3s. 6d.)—Sixteen thoughtful, pointed, epigrammatic sermons, original in conception and treatment. The *Blind Man's Creed* is very good indeed, and teaches a lesson not without its moral in relation to the 'In Darkest England' scheme. May we not be in too great a hurry to require the whole creed at once from those just awakened? The blind man began: 'This one thing I know,' and soon advanced to the confession of the Divinity of our Lord. The sermon also on 'Daily Bread' is suggestive of many useful ideas.

COMPREHENSIVE COOKERY. Compiled by Mrs. E. May. (London: F. Pitman, 21 Paternoster Row. Price 1s.)—This is a manual of over 1000 tested recipes as used in Dr. Allinson's Hygienic Establishment. The book is prepared for those who are called on the title-page 'vegetists,' and who also abjure the use of salt, but it has many recipes for dishes which sound remarkably toothsome. Those who live amongst the poor must notice that though the belief in butcher's meat is still strong, yet that there is an increasing appreciation of vegetables—notably celery and tomatoes. Recipes will be found for breads, cakes, scones, porridges, soups, omelets, sweet and savoury puddings, salads, jams, &c. We are struck with a recipe for 'cooking water,' which says, 'Few people know how to cook water. The secret is putting good fresh water into a clean kettle already quite warm, and setting the water to boil quickly, and then turning it right off to use in cocoa or other drinks before it is spoiled. To let it steam and simmer and evaporate until the good water is all in the atmosphere, and the lime and iron and dregs only left in the kettle, this is what makes a great many people ill.'

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St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

The bells will be rung on all Sundays throughout the year 1891 at 10 a.m. and 2.45 p.m. Also on the following days:—

Thursday, Jan. 1 (New Year's Day)	9 to 10 a.m.
Monday, Jan. 26 (Dedication Festival)	9 to 10 a.m. & 5.45 to 6.45 p.m.
Wednesday, April 29 (Sons of the Clergy Festival)	2.30 and 5 p.m.
Thursday, May 7 (Ascension Day)	9.30 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Sunday, May 24 (Queen's Birthday)	9 to 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.
Saturday, June 20 (Queen's Accession)	9 to 10 a.m. & 6 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 12 (Harvest Thanksgiving Service)	6 to 7 p.m. and after the service.
Sunday, Nov. 1 (All Saints')	10 a.m., 2.45 p.m., & 7 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 9 (Lord Mayor's Day)	1 p.m. & 6 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 25 (Christmas Day)	10 a.m.
On Christmas Eve	11.15 p.m.

On the following Tuesday evenings at 8 p.m. for practice:—Jan. 20,* April 14, May 12, June 9, July 7, Aug. 4, Sept. 1, Sept. 29, Oct. 27, Nov. 24.

BESIDES ST. PAUL'S, the following is a list of churches at which the members of the Ancient Society of College Youths are engaged to ring the bells, and the nights they meet for practice (1891):—

TWELVE BELLS.

- St. Saviour's, Southwark, Tuesday, January 13th, and every fortnight.
 - St. Giles's, Cripplegate, Tuesday, January 6th, and every four weeks.*
 - St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, Friday, January 9th, and every four weeks.
 - St. Michael's, Cornhill, Friday, January 23rd, and every four weeks.†
- These are the Official Meetings of the Company.

During the restoration of St. Saviour's Church there will not be any ringing

* No ringing during Lent and Advent.

† No ringing during Lent.

in the tower, but the members are earnestly invited to attend the meeting-house for the purpose of transacting the Company's business.

TEN BELLS.

- St. Magnus the Martyr, Thames Street, Royal days.
- Allhallows, Lombard Street, Church festivals.
- St. Dunstan's, Stepney, Monday, January 12th, and every fortnight.

EIGHT BELLS.

- St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, every Sunday, 10 a.m.
- St. John's, Hackney, Wednesday, January 14th, and every fortnight.
- St. Paul's, Shadwell, Wednesday, January 14th, and every fortnight.
- St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, Thursday, January 1st, and every fortnight.
- St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, Friday, January 2nd, and every fortnight.
- St. Mary's, Stratford, Bow, Monday, January 5th, and every fortnight.
- Christ Church, Spitalfields, Wednesday, January 7th, and every fortnight.
- St. John's, South Hackney, occasional.
- St. Mary's, Walthamstow, second and fourth Saturday in the month.
- St. Gabriel's, Pimlico, January 4th, at 6 p.m., and every alternate Sunday.
- All Saints', Fulham, every Thursday, 8 to 9.30; Sundays, 10 to 11 and 6 to 7.
- St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, Westminster, every Thursday, from 8 p.m., and every Sunday morning, 10 to 11.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

The Quarterly Meeting of the Guild will be held at Ormskirk on Saturday, January 31st. Bells open at 8 p.m., meeting at 6 p.m.

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The Lancashire Association.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.—The usual Monthly Meeting was held at St. Luke's Church on Saturday, the 3rd inst., when about forty ringers attended from St. Luke's, St. Peter's, St. Nicholas' (Liverpool), Prescott, Grassendale, Woolton, Halewood, and Southport. At the meeting in the Cocoa Rooms, in the absence of the Vicar, Mr. W. G. Mann presided. After the reading and passing of the minutes of the last meeting, the Chairman addressed those present in a forcible speech, dwelling on the good work done by these Associations, and on the great progress the Lancashire one had made within the past few years, he having been a member almost since it was established. Mr. Hill (Secretary), made some encouraging remarks on the steady progress of the branch, stating that about sixty performing members, five life and several honorary members, had been enrolled during the past year. One performing member was enrolled. A vote of thanks to the Secretary for his voluntary services to the branch for the past year was proposed and carried, also to Mr. Mann for presiding, which brought a pleasant meeting to a close. The next meeting was fixed to be held at Grassendale on February 7th. The following methods were rung during the evening at St. Luke's—GRANDSIRE, STEDMAN TRIPLES, and BOB MAJOR; and at St. Peter's—GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN CATERS, BOB ROYAL, and TREBLE BOB ROYAL.

Ely Diocesan Guild of Bell-ringers.

A MEETING of this Guild was held at Soham on Tuesday, January 6th. Proceedings commenced with two touches in the Minor method, after which dinner was served at the 'Crown' Hotel. The Secretary (Rev. — Smith, of Ely), presided. About fifteen sat down, including ringers from Ely, Wilburton, Newmarket, and Soham. Dinner over, the usual formal business was gone through, and it was proposed by Mr. Taylor (Newmarket), and seconded by Mr. Vale (Ely), that the next meeting be held at Gazeley on the second Monday in April. Several touches in the Minor method were also rung in the evening, Mr. A. Pilgrim (Ely) conducting.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Martin's, Salisbury.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang Hollis's peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. W. C. Dawe (first peal), 1; S. Macey, 2; W. Greenleaf, 3; C. A. Clements, 4; W. S. Wise (conductor), 5; H. D. Adams, 6; W. W. Gifford, 7; G. F. Doel, 8.

At St. Botolph's, Heene, Worthing, Sussex.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Sussex County Association rang a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 48 mins. J. Jay, sen., 1; A. A. Fuller (first in the method with a bob-bell), 2; G. A. King, 3; E. C. Merrett,* 4; T. Lidfield,* 5; C. Hills,* 6; H. Weston, 7; G. Williams, 8. Composed by Mr. Dains, and conducted by Mr. Williams. Tenor, 10½ cwt. This is a one-part composition, and contains the whole of the 8-6's, 8-6-7's and 6-7-8's without the 2nd in 6th's place at a course-end. Messrs. Linfield and Hills came from Angmering; the others from St. Peter's, Brighton. [*First peal of TREBLE BOB.]

At St. Lawrence's, Stroud, Gloucestershire.

On Tuesday, the 13th inst., a peal of 5184 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR was rung in 3 hrs. 26 mins. by the following members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association and the St. Michael's Juniors:—E. E. Bewick, 1; E. B. James (first peal in the method), 2; W. H. Brunson, 3; F. E. Hart, 4; J. Austin, 5; G. L. Brunson, 6; H. L. James, 7; W. J. Sevier, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt., in E flat. Composed by Mr. J. W. Washbrook, and conducted by Mr. H. L. James.

At St. Martin's, Birmingham.

On Tuesday, the 13th inst., a peal of 5139 STEDMAN CINQUES was rung by the following members of the St. Martin's Guild in 3 hrs. 48 mins.:—J. Day, 1; J. Joynes, 2; A. J. Jones, 3; H. Bastable, 4; B. Witchell, 5; W. R. Small, 6; W. Mundy, 7; T. Reynolds, 8; J. Buffery, 9; C. Stanbridge, 10; H. Johnson, 11; W. Kent, 12. Tenor, 36 cwt., in C. Composed by the late Mr. Henry Johnson, and conducted by Mr. Bastable. This anniversary peal was rung with the bells muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the composer, who died January 7th, 1890. Rung in the inverted Tittum position and not previously performed.

At St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich.

On Tuesday, the 13th inst., twelve members of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society and the Norwich Diocesan Association rang a peal of 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS in 3 hrs. 52 mins. A. Bowell (first peal on Tower bells and first peal on twelve bells), 1; E. Pemberton, 2; W. L. Catchpole, 3; R. Hawes, 4; E. T. Shearing,* 5; A. E. Durrant, 6; C. Saul (sixty-fifth birthday), 7; H. Bowell, 8; W. Motts, 9; R. W. Stannard,* 10; J. Motts (composer and conductor), 11; F. Tillett, 12. Tenor, 32 cwt. [* First peal on twelve bells.]

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Croydon, Surrey.

On Tuesday, the 13th inst., nine members of the Surrey Association rang Johnson's Twelve-part peal of 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 14 mins. A. E. Collins, 1; H. Brooker (conductor), 2; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 3; W. J. Chambers, 4; G. Burt,* 5; W. Slater, 6; W. Hill,* 7; R. Richards and A. Arnold, 8. Tenor, 32 cwt. [* First peal in the method.]

At Salisbury, Wilts.

On Tuesday the 13th inst., four members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang, on handbells retained in hand, Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 26 mins. R. W. J. Gollop, 1-2; W. S. Wise (conductor), 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; W. Greenleaf, 7-8. Tenor, 17 size, in A.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung;—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, STUSTED, ESSEX.—On a Tuesday, 720 BOB MINOR. H. Saunders, 1; J. Sadler, 2; A. Chaplin, 3; E. Chaplin, 4; L. Sadler, 5; E. Radden (conductor), 6. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a token of respect to the late Onley Savill Onley, Esq., who lately died in his ninety-sixth year. Mr. Onley restored the tower, and was the donor of the musical peal of bells. And on a Sunday, 720 BOB MINOR (Penny's One-part), (sixteen bobs and twenty-six singles). H. Saunders, 1; C. H. Howard (conductor), 2; A. Chaplin, 3; E. Chaplin, 4; F. Saunders, 5; E. Radley, 6. Messrs. Sadler came from Coggeshall; C. H. Howard, Braintree; the rest are local men.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GRINSTEAD, SUSSEX.—On a Friday, 720 BOB MINOR. Also four peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. S. Woolgar, 1; W. Pearce, 2; R. Summersell, 3; W. Denman, 4; H. Burstow, 5; S. Snelling, 6.

AT ST. MARY'S, WIMBLEDON, SURREY.—On a Tuesday, for practice, 720 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MINOR in 26 mins. G. Welling, 1; J. Fayers, 2; C. Hyde, 3; J. Parker, 4; A. Garratt, 5; S. Frost (conductor), 6. On a Sunday, for Divine service, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. C. Hyde, 1; R. Moss, 2; the rest as above.

AT ALL SAINTS', MAIDENHEAD, BERKS.—On a Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 43 mins. R. Smith, 1; F. Dentry, 2; H. Rogers, 3; F. Bissley, 4; E. Rogers, 5; J. W. Wilkins, 6; A. Hoskins, 7; J. Woolford, 8. The above is the first quarter-peal by all the ringers, and was composed by Mr. E. F. Strange, of London, and conducted by Mr. Wilkins.

AT COSELEY, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On a Friday, for practice, six peals (120) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, called differently. F. Williams, 1; G. Fellows, 2; A. Jones, 3; W. Pardoe, 4; B. Gough (conductor), 5; A. E. Law, 6. On the following Sunday morning, for Divine service, an attempt was made to ring 360 GRANDSIRE MINOR, but after ringing 240 changes it ended, owing to a change-course. F. Horton, 1; G. J. Fellows, 2; B. Gough, 3; W. Jeavons, 4; A. Jones, 5; W. Pardoe (conductor), 6.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, EPSOM, SURREY.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 40 mins. G. Federick, 1; S. Brooker, 2; A. E. Bassett, 3; J. Hawkins, 4; J. Easton, 5; W. Sanders, 6; T. Miles (conductor), 7; W. Woods, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, TILEHURST, BERKS.—On a Saturday, by permission of the Rev. J. W. Routh, the following started for Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, but a change-course in the fourth part terminated the attempt. T. Hattrill, 1; T. Pocock, 2; W. Lawrence (conductor), 3; C. Pocock, 4; J. Day, 5; A. C. West (Maidstone), 6; J. M. Routh, Esq., 7; C. Chapman, 8. A touch of BOB MAJOR was afterwards rung, being the first in a MAJOR method by several of the band.

AT ST. NICHOLAS', BRIGHTON.—On a Sunday evening, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 42 mins. J. Neves, 1; H. Miles, 2; H. Rann, 3; H. Boniface, 4; F. Morris, 5; J. Fox, 6; W. Palmer (first quarter-peal as conductor), 7; H. Cornwall, 8.

AT ALL SAINTS', CARSHALTON, SURREY.—On a Sunday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 40 mins. J. Wignell, 1; J. Hartley, 2; E. Walker, 3; F. Holder, 4; E. Matthews, 5; E. Hollands, 6; J. Harding (conductor), 7; H. Brooks, 8. Tenor, 12 cwt. On the above date, Mr. Brooks, the steeple-keeper, celebrated his sixty-fifth birthday, his brother-ringers wishing him many happy returns of the day.

AT ST. MARY'S, BOW, LONDON.—On a Sunday, for Divine service in the evening, a quarter-peal of OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 44 mins. A. Cutmore, 1; E. Hall, 2; S. Joyce, 3; S. Hayes, 4; H. Springall (conductor), 5; F. Norris, 6; R. Turner, 7; C. Dempsey, 8. Composed by H. Johnson. First quarter-peal in the method by all the band.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S, BUNWELL, NORFOLK.—On a Sunday, two peals (720) of BOB MINOR were rung before Divine service, and after service, with the bells deeply muffled, as a last tribute to the Rev. E. K. Bennett, D.C.L., rector of this parish, who died very suddenly on Tuesday, December 23rd, in his fifty-sixth year. The funeral took place at Rushford, on Monday, December 29th. He was borne to the grave by six men selected from the ringers and the choir, five of whom were ringers. J. Fox, 1; G. Smith, sen., 2; J. Hilling, 3; J. Hinchley, 4; G. Smith, jun., 5; R. Hutton (conductor), 6.

AT SALISBURY, WILTS.—On a Friday, on handbells, 720 BOB MINOR. C. H. Watts, 1-2; W. W. Gifford (conductor), 3-4; W. S. Wise, 5-6. And 1050 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. R. Gallop, 1-2; W. S. Wise (conductor), 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; C. H. Watts, 7-8.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

On Saturday, January 24th, a Committee and Quarterly Meeting of the above Association was held in St. Mary's Schoolroom, Cradley, the Vicar, Rev. A. B. Timbrell, presiding. The rev. gentleman, in his opening remarks, said he was very pleased to see the members of the Association at his centre, and hoped it would not be the last time he should have the privilege of meeting them there. He could not help noticing the good work these Associations were doing, for he could well remember the time when church belfries were looked upon as not being a portion of the church, and ringers were allowed to come and go when they thought proper, and do as they liked when there; but brighter days had dawned on the ringers, who were now looked upon as officers of the church, and the towers were now recognised by the clergy as a part of the consecrated building, and this was due in a great measure to the good work of these Associations. During the ordinary business eleven ringing members were elected, and the auditors of the past year re-elected. It was decided to hold the next Committee Meeting on February 21st, at Kidderminster. The usual vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding, for his well-chosen remarks, and the use of the tower and bells, was proposed by Mr. Spittle, seconded by Mr. Smith, and carried with acclamation. The rev. gentleman, in responding, thanked them heartily for the vote of thanks that had been passed, and hoped that those present would not think lightly of the office they held. He trusted that what they did in their various belfries would be done to God's glory, and that after calling others to church, they would stay themselves. He was proud to say that when he looked at his ringers' pew on a Sunday he found them there morning and evening. The Master (Mr. Spittle) quite endorsed the Chairman's remarks, and said it was the duty of all ringers that, having called others to service, they should attend the same themselves. It is very gratifying to know that since Mr. Timbrell was appointed Vicar of this parish, in the year 1889, a great change had taken place, both as regards the ringers and the belfry. The old band of ringers, when asked to join the Association and become acquainted with the noble art and science of change-ringing, preferred pulling the tower down and dressing the bricks before learning this new-fangled stuff of ringing; but, through the energy of the present Vicar, these have had to make way for a band who have mastered the art of change-ringing, and, with the co-operation of their respected Vicar, the churchwardens, and other laity of the church, the belfry walls are now wainscotted with stained and varnished deal to the height of seven feet, and the floor covered with linoleum cloth, and a mat for each ringer. A code of belfry rules (signed by the Vicar and churchwardens), printed and framed, now adorns the belfry walls. Would that all Societies in connexion with the Association would copy their example and do likewise. During the afternoon and evening touches of STEDMAN, GRANDSIRE, and BOB TRIPLES, TREBLE BOB, GRANDSIRE and BOB MAJOR, were rung upon the tower bells, and touches of GRANDSIRE CATER, MAJOR, and TRIPLES, upon the

The Chester Diocesan Guild.

THE Annual Meeting of the Crewe branch of the above Guild was held at Crewe on the 17th inst., when representatives from the various towers belonging to the branch assembled in the church, and the Vicar, the Rev. G. J. Howson, M.A., gave an excellent address on the duties of bell-ringers as Church-workers. The meeting was held in the Parish Room, the Vicar in the chair. The Vicar was re-elected President, Mr. A. Wilson was elected Secretary, and Mr. A. Parkes was elected Instructor to the Branch and representative to the General Committee. At five o'clock the ringers sat down to tea, after which they ascended the tower, when several touches of MINOR and TRIPLES were rung. One of the most successful and cheerful meetings of the branch then ended.

Muffled Peal at Woburn, Bedfordshire.

MUFFLED touches were rung upon the eight bells in the old tower on Saturday, the 17th inst., as a mark of respect to his Grace the Duke of Bedford, whose ashes, after cremation, were buried at Chenies on that day. The late Duke generously restored the ring of six at Woburn, and gave the two trebles in 1887 to complete the octave. He was also a very liberal donor towards the cost of the new ring at Aspley Guise, and the restoration of the Eversholt and Husborne Crawley bells. He also gave an unsolicited donation of 10l. to the Bedfordshire Association on its formation.

CHANGE-RINGING.

A Visit to Braughing and Ardeley, Herts.

ON Tuesday, the 20th inst., the Benington (Herts) Society of Change-ringers, being visited by Captain A. P. Moore, of Weybread House, Norfolk, went to Braughing and rang upon the fine ring of eight bells (tenor, 19 cwt., key F) 2500 changes in the melodious methods of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, STEDMAN TRIPLES, and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Captain Moore, L. Proctor, Esq., S. Page (conductor), J. Kitchener, Jos. Kitchener, Jabez Warner, L. Chapman, C. Shambrook, and H. Warner.

On Wednesday, the 21st inst., the under-mentioned members of the above Society, with Captain A. P. Moore, visited St. Lawrence's, Ardeley, and upon the musical ring of six bells rang 960 changes in the methods of KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR and GRANDSIRE MINOR. S. Page (conductor), 1; Jos. Kitchener, 2; H. Warner, 3; Jabez Warner, 4; C. Shambrook, 5; and Captain A. P. Moore, 6.

At Benington, on Monday, the 19th inst., and Wednesday, the 21st inst., on the fine ring of eight (tenor, 14 cwt., in F sharp), eight members of the Society rang 2136 changes in the methods of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, and STEDMAN TRIPLES.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see next page.

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On Thursday, the 15th inst., ten members of the St. Martin's Guild rang a peal of 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 25 mins. F. Dickens,* 1; W. H. Godden, 2; A. J. Jones, 3; A. Roberts,* 4; B. Witchell, 5; C. Dickens,* 6; C. Stanbridge, 7; W. Kent (composer and conductor), 8; H. Johnson, 9; W. Jackson, 10. Tenor, 23 cwt. Rung with the bells muffled, in memory of the late Mr. Henry Johnson, who died on January 7th, 1890. This peal is in the inverted Tittum position, having the last twenty-four courses with the sixth behind the eighth. [*First peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS.]

At St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire.

On Thursday, the 15th inst., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association and the St. Paul's Society rang a peal of 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR in 3 hrs. 30 mins. H. Wakley, 1; G. Robinson (first peal in the method with an inside bell), 2; A. Wakley, 3; J. Griffin, 4; E. I. Stone, 5; P. Meadows, 6; T. Holmes, 7; W. Wakley, 8. Composed by N. J. Pitslow, and conducted by W. Wakley. Tenor, 26 cwt.

At All Saints', Loughborough, Leicestershire.

On Friday, the 16th inst., a peal of 5007 STEDMAN CATERS was rung in 3 hrs. 22 mins. by the following members of the Midland Counties' Association (Loughborough Branch):—W. T. Billingham, 1; J. W. Taylor, jun., 2; E. W. Cartwright, 3; E. Reader, 4; J. Smith, 5; H. W. Abbot,* 6; J. Hickman,* 7; S. Burton (first peal of STEDMAN CATERS), 8; J. Ward,* 9; E. Wightman, 10. Tenor, 28 cwt., in D. Composed by A. Percival Heywood, Esq., and conducted by Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun. Messrs. Abbott, Hickman, and Burton came from Nottingham, and Mr. Ward from Long Eaton. [*First peal in the method.]

At the Parish Church, Great Baddow, Essex.

On Saturday, the 17th inst., eight members of the Essex Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. A. Edwards (conductor), 1; G. Green, 2; H. Richell (first peal with a bob bell), 3; J. Newman,* 4; H. Allen, 5; A. Richell, 6; W. Rowland, jun., 7; F. Newman,* 8. A. Edwards came from Widford; W. Rowland, Chelmsford; the rest are residents of Great Baddow. [*First peal.]

At St. Peter's, Sudbury, Suffolk.

On Monday, the 19th inst., a mixed band of members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 15 mins. The peal had been attempted on four previous occasions, but had hitherto been unsuccessful. It is the first rung on these bells in this method, and was listened to by competent ringers from Melford, Glemsford, and Saffron Walden, who complimented the band on their success. C. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 1; S. King (Lavenham), 2; G. Maxim (Foxearth), 3; S. Slater (Glemsford), 4; F. Wells (Glemsford), 5; H. Harper (Sudbury), 6; O. Garwood (Glemsford), 7; E. Pitslow (Saffron Walden), 8. The peal was composed by the late Mr. W. Harrison of Mottram-in-Longendale, Cheshire, and conducted by Mr. C. Sillitoe of the Sudbury Company. It is in three parts, and has the sixth bell at home the last two course-ends in each part, and the fifth and sixth at home at each part-end. Tenor, 23 cwt.

At St. Peter's, Brighton, Sussex.

On Thursday, the 22nd inst., a peal of 5152 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR was rung in 3 hrs. 5 mins. by the following members of the Sussex County Association:—J. Jay, sen., 1; J. R. Reiley, 2; A. A. Fuller, 3; E. C. Merrett, 4; G. A. King, 5; G. Williams, 6; H. Weston, 7; G. F. Attree (conductor), 8. First peal in this intricate method by all, also first by the Association and first in the county. Tenor, 10½ cwt., in G.

At St. James's, Clerkenwell, London.

On Friday, the 23rd inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. W. H. L. Buckingham, 1; F. L. Davies, 2; W. E. Garrard, 3; E. E. Richards, 4; C. F. Winny, 5; F. G. Newman (conductor), 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; W. Copley, 8. Tenor, 22 cwt.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Bromley, Kent.

On Saturday, the 24th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 51 mins. W. H. L. Buckingham, 1; H. P. Harman (first peal in the method), 2; C. F. Winny, 3; F. L. Davies, 4; F. G. Newman (conductor), 5; W. E. Garrard, 6; F. J. French, 7; H. G. Fruin, 8. The first peal of STEDMAN on the bells. Tenor, 18 cwt.

At ST. MARGARET'S, LEICESTER.—On Friday, the 9th inst., 720 BOB MINOR on the front six of the ring of ten. J. Tomlinson, 1; J. Pole (Belgrave), 2; J. O. Lancashire, 3; J. T. Harriman, 4; C. Walker, 5; A. Mills (conductor), 6. First 720 in the method by all except the conductor.

At CHRIST CHURCH, WEST BROMWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On Sunday morning, the 11th inst., before Divine service, a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, commencing at the plain course in Holt's Original and ringing to the end of the peal. S. Reeves (conductor), 1; J. Timms (Tamworth), 2; J. R. Frisby, 3; R. Hall, 4; T. Horton, 5; J. Hall, 6; C. Price, 7; H. Hipkiss, 8. And after Divine service in the evening, 575 GRANDSIRE CATERS and 756 STEDMAN TRIPLES, Messrs. Small and Goodreds being added to the band.

At REIGATE, SURREY.—On Saturday, the 24th inst. (after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal), 544 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. R. Arnold, 1; G. Williams (conductor), 2; H. Weston, 3; G. F. Attree, 4; W. Burkin, 5; E. Moses, 6; G. Welling, 7; J. Trappitt, 8. Tenor, 21 cwt., in E flat.

BRIGHTON.—Handbell Ringing.—On a Thursday, at the residence of Mr. Williams, for practice, 1036 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 30 mins. Mrs. G. Williams, 1-2; G. A. King, 3-4; G. Williams (conductor), 5-6; H. Weston, 7-8.

A CORRECTION.—The peal of 5088 TREBLE BOB MAJOR by Wm. Sevier has the following bobs omitted:—One at the fifth course and seventh course before, and one, the middle, at the seventh course. W. J. SEVIER.

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what because of its pathos. Mr. Belfort Bax's 'A Socialist's Notes on Practical Ethics,' are rather wild, albeit they have an outward appearance of philosophic calm. 'Vira, the Gipsy,' is a very sad, graceful little story. Mr. Malet sends a solid article on 'Changes in Climate;' Mr. Arthur Wood writes in a grossly exaggerated fashion on 'The Private School System: its Defects;' but there is a distinct residuum of truth in his paper.

THE EXPOSITORY TIMES, in addition to many interesting articles, critical and exegetical, contains a stringent criticism of 'Professor Huxley and the Destruction of the Gerasene Swine,' by Professor J. B. McClellan. The Index to Modern Sermons is very useful.

THE CLERGYMAN'S MAGAZINE contains Principal Moule's paper, 'To my Younger Brethren.' Perhaps the best thing in it this month is Dean Chadwick's article on 'Pessimism.'

IN THE THEOLOGICAL MONTHLY the best paper is that of Mr. J. R. Gregory on the 'Later Life of St. Bernard.' Miss Buckland's article on 'The Indian Ghost Dance' is also worth reading.

THE HOMILETIC MAGAZINE opens with a sermon on 'Simon Magus,' by Aubrey Moore, suggestive, as all his are, and contains besides the usual Homiletics and Sermon Helps.

THE mid-winter number of the CENTURY MAGAZINE contains another instalment of the 'Memoirs of Talleyrand.' In it we are told of the first meeting of the diplomatist with General Bonaparte; the beginning of Bonaparte's ruin; and how Talleyrand left Napoleon's ministry. Messrs. Hittell, Gillespie, and Kemble each contribute a paper on the 'Discovery of Gold in California,' which is capital reading. The 'Georgia Cracker in the Cotton Mills' is a sad description of the condition of this class of poor whites in the South. 'Balaam and His Master,' by Joel Chandler Harris, is an account in Mr. Harris's well-known style of the rare fidelity of a slave to his master. Among many other excellent tales and papers, we have only space to mention a charming tale, 'Penelope's Swains,' by Mrs. Burton Harrison; and Mr. de Kay's article on 'Theodore Rousseau and the French Landscape School.'

THE CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL MAGAZINE (C.E.S.S. Institute) comments on the recent terrible catastrophe at Wortley, in which nine children were burnt to death, and says, 'It is to be hoped that this painful incident may cause the clergy and superintendents to give special attention to the amusements provided at children's treats. So far as our observation goes, harmless amusements are being voted slow, and the exhibitions provided alike for grown-up persons and for children are, in some instances, of a very questionable character;' an opinion which we heartily endorse.

THE CHURCH WORKER (C.E.S.S. Institute) and EVENING SCHOOL CHRONICLE call for no special remark; and the same may be said of THE CHURCH MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCER and GLEANER (C.M.S. House); GRAIN OF MUSTARD SEED and CENTRAL AFRICA (Wells Gardner); THE MORNING CALM (Griffith & Farran); THE LITTLE PAPERS AND THE M.P.S. (Bemrose); and THE CHURCH BUILDER (Longmans, Green, & Co.)—all fair average numbers.

THE Society of the Treasury of God (22 Westmoreland Road, Bayswater) have prepared an ingenious cardboard box for small Lent savings, to be given as an Easter offering to any good work. The cardboard is flat, but can be easily folded into a neat money-box, with appropriate texts on side and ends. The price of a packet of fifty is 2s.

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WE have received from the well-known publishing house of Messrs. Cassell & Co. Part 41 of Messrs. Thornbury & Walford's OLD AND NEW LONDON; Part 17 of Dr. Geikie's HOLY LAND AND THE BIBLE; Part 13 of Archdeacon Farrar's LIFE OF CHRIST; and Part 77 of AN OLD TESTAMENT COMMENTARY, edited by Bishop Ellicott.

MESSRS. CASSELL & COMPANY are publishing a new issue of their popular National Library (weekly volumes, price 3d.), consisting of the most popular books in the series, and some additional works. The first volume is Dickens's well-known HAUNTED MAN. The sixpenny edition will be published in an improved style of binding.

RECEIVED also:—Journal of the Fifty-third Annual Council of the Diocese of Western New York.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

A LECTURE ON SUSSEX BELLS.

A MEETING of the members of the Eastbourne Naturalist Society was held lately at the Museum Rooms, Lismore Road, Eastbourne. Dr. Gabbett, President, was in the chair, and in spite of the bitter weather there was a fairly large representative attendance. After some routine business, Mr. Mitchell Whitley, M.I.C.E., was called upon to read his promised paper on 'Sussex Bells.' Mr. Whitley said the church bell was introduced into England by the Anglo-Saxons in the seventh century.

The Oldest Date in Sussex.

The oldest dated bell is a foreign one, at Dunton, east in 1369, and there are only about a hundred mediæval bells left in the country. Formerly bells were cast in monasteries by ecclesiastics, and afterwards at regular bell-foundries, some local, as that of the Eldridges of Horsham, whilst some bells were cast by itinerant bell-founders. Hailsham bells were cast there at Bell Bank, and the former mediæval ring of Eastbourne were recast at Chid-dingly in 1651.

Selling Bells to Repair the Steeple.

At the time of [the Reformation many bells were destroyed and broken up. Many again were sold to defray various expenses; and one of the Berwick bells now hangs in Alfriston steeple, having been disposed of by the former parish, in addition to two others sold for old metal, the local rhyme running:—

'The parson was poor and also the people,
So they sold their bells to repair their steeple.'

The Chichester Prophecy.

Towers struck by lightning, as East Grinstead and Horsham, and the fall of others, as Chichester, are the cause of bells being broken, although in the latter case when the cathedral spire fell in 1861 and fulfilled the old prophecy,

'If Chichester Church steeple fall
In England there's no king at all,'

for there was a queen on the throne. The service bell, which alone hung in it, was picked out of the ruins unhurt.

Common Legends.

The earliest mediæval legends are short, giving only the name of the saint after whom the bell was called. Thus, a bell at Fittleworth is inscribed 'Sancta Catarina,' and one at Findon, 'O, Sancte Stephani.' In later years an invocation was added, and the form became varied only by the name of the saint: 'Saint Margaret, pray for us.' In many cases longer legends still were used. On a bell at Catsfield are the words 'I am called Katherine, and sound the rose of the world.' At Heathfield, 'Let the bell of John resound for many years.' 'My living voice drives away all hurtful things, is another common legend. The Gabriel bell in the Market House, Lewes is inscribed 'Sent from God, I bear the name of Gabriel.' At Eastdean is a bell stating that

'Surely no bell beneath the sky
Can send forth sweeter sounds than I.'

At Alfriston and Folkington are bells inscribed, 'The voice of Augustine sounds in the ear of God.'

Bell-founders' Inscriptions.

These mediæval legends were, as a rule, revered; but when, in post-reformation times, the churchwardens and bell-founders composed the inscriptions, a different class obtained. Treble bells in Sussex, cast at this period, often bear the words:—

'I mean to make it understood,
That though I'm little yet I'm good.'

While for a tenor, the legend on that of St. Nicholas, Brighton, is common:—

'I to the Church the living call,
And to the grave do summon all.'

Sometimes a previous failure in casting is recorded. Thus, at West Hoathly, a bell records that 'Joseph Carter made me better,' while at Hooe the peal was recast in 1782, not without some disagreement, for one of the bells tells the people—

'Not to repeat what's gone and past,
For the five bells have come at last.'

The Curfew.

The oldest of all bell customs is the ringing of the curfew bell, which is still kept up, or was, until lately, at Hailsham, Mayfield, and Hastings, although discontinued at Eastbourne, where it was formerly rung.

Bells Carried Away by the French.

Many pleasing traditions attach to our church bells. St. Gregory's bell, formerly at Eastbourne, now hangs in a church in sunny Normandy, having been carried off one night by French marauders. The bells of Bye were also carried away when the French sacked that town in the fifteenth century, but were recovered in the next year by the hardy mariners of Bye and Winchelsea.

Sunken Bells in Sussex.

Under the moat which formerly encircled Etehinham Church lies buried a great bell, which will never be seen until six yoke of white oxen are employed to bring it to daylight. Another sunken bell lies in the Ouse, near Uckfield, and the lost bells of Bosham are still said to join in the village peal from the depths of Bell Hole, where they were sunk by the intercession of St. Nicholas, as they were being carried away by sacrilegious Danish pirates long centuries ago.

The Hertfordshire Association.

THE District Meeting at Bushey on Saturday next, February 7th. By kind permission the towers of Bushey and Oxley churches will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Tea at the Parish Hall, Bushey, at 5.30; price to members, 6d. each; business meeting afterwards. I shall be glad to receive the subscriptions of those members who are still in arrears.
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Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

THE Quarterly Meeting in connexion with the above Society was held at Darlaston on Saturday, January 10th, when there was a goodly muster of members from all parts of the Archdeaconry. Touches were rung on the bells of the Parish Church in the GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN methods, and a short service was held at which an address was delivered by the Vicar. At a Committee Meeting, held in the vestry, one honorary member was elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Harborne. Tea was served at the coffee-house, after which an adjournment was made to the tower, where some more ringing brought the proceedings to a close.

Suffolk Church Bells.

THE CHURCH BELLS OF SUFFOLK. By the Rev. J. J. Raven, D.D. (Jarrold & Sons, 3 Paternoster Buildings, E.C., and London Street, Norwich.)—We welcome this book with much pleasure as a valuable history and repertory of bell archæology relating to the county of Suffolk. From time to time during the past few years kindred volumes to that now under review have been given to the public by antiquaries well qualified to deal with the subject. The book before us yields to none of them in careful compilation, richness of illustration, and interest in general. We hail it as an excellent instalment in a series which we trust will one day, before long, embrace the whole country. Poets and preachers often, and very truly, remind us that bells entwine themselves round the history of our personal life; but Dr. Raven points with equal truth to the fact of their intimate connexion with the life

of the nation, though this, of course, applies especially to its religious aspect. Notably, is it to be traced from the mottoes and inscriptions during that long and troubled period sometimes called the Reformation. The continuity of the founding operations during that unhappy century and a half, and the occurrence every here and there of an older bell in rings or fragments of rings cast at that time, forms one of the many overwhelming proofs of the continuity of our ancient Church of England.

But there is another department of history to which bells bear a very important testimony. We refer to the growth and progress of art. This is admirably exemplified in Dr. Raven's book by the large number of excellent illustrations adorning the work. The devices on bells are naturally heraldic to a great extent, or subservient to the lettering of an inscription. Plate IV. gives some good examples of this. Some of the pictures are, of course, most quaint—the figure on p. 45 irresistibly reminding us of the conjuror,—‘You see, ladies and gentlemen, that my hands are perfectly empty.’ From what has been said it will be seen that the book is not a mere dictionary, but a most readable and interesting history, occupying nearly 160 pages of the 260 of which the volume consists. The last 100 pages give the inscriptions on the bells. The list of *errata* is rather long, but it shows the desire of the author that the information conveyed to his readers should be exact and trustworthy. The *Church Bells of Suffolk* forms a worthy sequel to the *Church Bells of Cambridgeshire*.

New Bells at Little Addington, Northants.

At a public meeting of the parishioners, held in the Schoolroom, Little Addington, it was thought advisable to add two new bells to the present ring of three in the tower of the parish church. The following parishioners were afterwards appointed to act as a committee to receive contributions for the bells:—Messrs. W. Mitchell, W. Smith, A. Green, E. Perkins, John Perkins, James Perkins, and F. Swingle. It is estimated that 125l. will be necessary for the completion of the work.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see next page.

AUSTRALIAN EMIGRATION.—Clergymen may commend any of their parishioners who are proceeding to Australia by the s.s. *Orotava*, which will sail on the 13th inst., to the Rev. H. C. M. Watson, who will return to Australia by that ship as a chaplain of the Emigration Committee of the S. P. C. K.

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SIR,—I notice in *Church Bells* of January 16th, two peals of TREBLE BOB MAJOR, supposed to be composed by Mr. W. J. Sevier, of Gloucester. The 5088 is in Mr. Snowdon's book (Part II., page 27), the only difference in the peal referred to is that the first course of the original is called last. Also, the 5120 is a three-part peal; the fourth course-end, 6 4 5 2 3, in the last part, is cut out, and the bells brought round by an extra bob at middle, and leaving out the two wrongs.

WILLIAM F. PATES, *Cheltenham*.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At Christ Church, West Bromwich, Staffordshire.

ON Thursday, the 22nd ult., the following members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang on the bells a peal of 5076 GRANDSIRE CATERERS in 3 hrs. 11 mins.—H. Hipkiss, 1; W. R. Small, 2; T. Horton, 3; H. Mills, 4; W. Long (Perry Barr), 5; G. George (of Rugby), 6; C. Price, 7; R. Hall, 8; S. Reeves, 9; J. Hall, 10. The peal has the fifth and sixth each twenty-four courses behind the ninth, was composed by the late Henry Johnson, of Birmingham, and conducted by Samuel Reeves.

At St. Mary's, Saffron Walden, Essex.

ON Friday, the 23rd ult., eight members of the Essex Association rang a peal of 5248 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 33 mins. G. Prior (first peal in the method), 1; W. Prior, 2; A. James, 3; H. Prior, 4; E. A. Pitstow, 5; G. Taylor, 6; F. Pitstow, 7; Captain A. P. Moore, 8. Composed by H. Dains, and conducted by F. Pitstow. Tenor, 24 cwt. Captain Moore came from Redenhall, Norfolk; Mr. Taylor, Cambridge; Messrs. Prior, Stanstead Mountfitchet; the rest are local men.

At St. Edmund's, Salisbury.

ON Saturday, the 24th ult., eight members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 20 mins. S. Macey, 1; H. D. Adams, 2; W. J. Prince, 3; S. Lawrence, 4; F. Rigden, 5; W. S. Wise (conductor), 6; W. W. Gifford, 7; W. Greenleaf, 8. Tenor, 27 cwt., in C sharp. The first peal on the bells. The ring originally consisted of six bells, cast by William Purdue and Nathaniel Bolter (celebrated founders in this city in 1656); but the second was recast by Robert Wells, of Aldbourne in 1744, and the fourth by C. & J. Mears in 1846. In 1884 two trebles were added by Messrs. Mears, the second being the munificent gift of Mr. E. A. Foster, then a ringer at this church, but who is now living at Corsham, Wilts. The ringing-floor being close to the bells, the noise is very great, thus rendering the accomplishment of a peal by no means an easy matter. The tenor requires a considerable amount of strength, and Mr. Greenleaf performed no mean feat in ringing it through the peal, and at the same time striking the bell excellently.

ON Friday, the 23rd ult., four members of the above Guild, at Salisbury, rang Taylor's Bob and Single Variation peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, on handbells retained in hand, in 2 hrs. 32 mins. R. W. J. Gollop, 1-2; W. W. Gifford, 3-4; W. S. Wise (conductor), 5-6; W. Greenleaf, 7-8.

At St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, Suffolk.

ON Saturday, the 24th ult., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Norwich Diocesan Association rang Hubbard's peal of 5129 GRANDSIRE CATERERS in 3 hrs. 35 mins. W. L. Catchpole (conductor), 1; F. O. Moule (first peal), 2; I. S. Alexander, 3; W. Motts*, 4; R. H. Brundle, 5; W. P. Garratt*, 6; J. Motts*, 7; A. E. Durrant*, 8; F. Tillet*, 9; E. Pemberton, 10. Tenor, 32 cwt. [* First peal of GRANDSIRE CATERERS on tower bells.]

At the Parish Church, Steyning, Sussex.

ON Tuesday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Steyning Branch of the Sussex County Association rang Mr. A. P. Heywood's No. 1 Peal (as a Ten-part) of SREDIAN TRIPLES (for the first time in Sussex) in 2 hrs. 51 mins. G. Gatland, 1; J. Smart*, 2; T. Searle*, 3; C. Smart, 4; W. N. Holt, 5; J. Matthews, 6; C. Tyler (conductor), 7; G. Smart, 8. [* First peal in the method.]

ON the afternoon of Sunday, the 25th ult., a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, with the bells half muffled, was rung as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Rev. J. R. Bloxam, D.D., vicar of the adjoining parish of Upper Beeding, whose death occurred on Wednesday, January 21st. J. Woolgar, 1; W. N. Holt, 2; T. Searle, 3; C. Smart, 4; W. B. Hills, 5; J. Searle, 6; C. Tyler (conductor), 7; G. Smart, 8. The ringing for the morning and evening services were also done with the bells half muffled.

At St. Alphege, Greenwich, Kent.

ON Tuesday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Society of Trinity Youths rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 7 mins. J. J. Lamb (first peal as conductor), 1; W. Weatherstone, 2; J. Rose, 3; F. W. Thornton, 4; T. Taylor, 5; W. Bedwell, 6; E. E. Richards, 7; W. G. Davis (sixtieth birthday), 8. Tenor, 25 cwt.

At St. Mary's, Stoke Newington, London.

ON Saturday, the 31st ult., six members of the Royal Cumberland Youths and Middlesex Association rang a peal of 5040 BOB MINOR (consisting of seven 720's) in 2 hrs. 52 mins. H. Spencer, 1; H. Scarlett (conductor), 2; H. Stubbs, 3; P. Howard, Esq., 4; F. A. Nunn, 5; Ernest Edridge, 6. First peal by Messrs. Spencer, Stubbs, Howard, and Nunn; also first peal on the bells and first by the local band. Great credit is due for the way in which the band completed the peal, as the bells hang very awkwardly, viz., 1, 2, 6, 5, 4, 3, almost in a straight line. The ringers wish to thank the rector and churchwardens, through *Church Bells*, for the use of the bells.

At St. Dunstan's, Stepney, London.

ON Saturday, the 31st ult., the following members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5040 TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 33 mins. J. Pettit, 1; W. D. Smith, 2; E. Horrex, 3; S. E. Joyce*, 4; G. J. Smith*, 5; York Green (composer), 6; H. Springall (conductor) 7; E. Hall*, 8; S. Hayes, 9; J. M. Hayes, 10. Tenor, 32 cwt. The ringers wish to thank the rector and churchwardens for the use of the bells on this occasion. [*First peal of TREBLE BOB ROYAL.]

AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, LONGCOTT, BERKS.—Lately, on a Saturday, 720 BOB MINOR in 20 mins. T. Freebury, 1; T. Ricketts, 2; J. H. Shepherd, 3; W. P. Slack, 4; O. W. Layng, 5; E. Bishop (conductor), 6. Tenor, 10 cwt. All the above came from Swindon.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK

DISEASE AFFECTING ONE LUNG, WITH NERVOUS
DEBILITY—CASE OF A YOUNG MEDICAL
STUDENT IN INDIA.

Mr. A. B. P., of Allahabad, having seen my book on Consumption, at Bombay, and procured some of my medicine from the Apothecaries Hall, attached to the College Hospital, Lucknow, and found much benefit from a few weeks' course of it, writes me, in May of last year, a statement of his case.

One year and a half before this time a cold had come on, followed by fever. Then troublesome cough, expectoration, loss of flesh, nervous prostration, and general debility. Before taking any of my medicine he was examined by Surgeon-Major — and Dr. C., who pronounced the case to be—'Left lung affected, and extreme nervous debility.' He then commenced with my medicine, which he procured in India as above stated.

After a few weeks he was examined again (this was just before his writing to me) and the same doctors then pronounced him decidedly 'much better.'

He took my medicine for over twelve months, and was fully restored to health, and is pursuing his medical study.

I have heard from him recently (September 17th):—'I am thankful to say I continue all right. I never could have gone on with my study but for your aid with the good-will of God. I cannot sufficiently thank you for your kind advice. I will sing your praise wherever I may be. If you think my case worth publishing please only use my initials.'

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Herts County Association.

A DISTRICT MEETING of this Association was held at Bushey, on Saturday, the 7th inst. During the afternoon STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES and BOB MAJOR were rung upon the bells at Oxley Church, which is situate on the boundary of Bushey. A move was afterwards made to Bushey, which was reached at the time appointed for tea. The table was laid in the Village Hall, kindly lent by the Rector of the parish, the Rev. T. H. Kynaston, who presided, there being also present:—C. E. Keyser, Esq., L. Proctor, Esq. (Benington), and Messrs. S. Page (Benington), E. P. Debenham (sec.), G. W. Cartmel (assist. sec.), J. C. Mitchell, E. Hull, A. Hull, T. Waller, W. H. L. Buckingham, J. W. Brewer, H. Brewer, W. Battle (St. Albans), B. Foskett (Hampstead), H. G. Rowe (Aldenham), and the following Bushey ringers:—Messrs. W. Oakley, E. E. Huntly, F. Edwards, H. Hunt, and A. J. Hunt. After tea the business meeting was held, the Rev. T. Kynaston being voted to the chair in the absence of the President, L. Proctor, Esq., who had to leave to catch his train. (It may not be out of place here to mention that this veteran ringer was looking well and hearty, and took part in some ringing during the day). The Secretary was called upon to read the minutes, which were adopted. The provisional election of Mr. J. W. Rumney, of Hatfield, was confirmed, and Messrs. Ralph Shepherd and J. Kentish, jun., of the same place, were elected members. The Annual Meeting was fixed to be held at St. Albans, on Easter Monday. Mr. J. C. Mitchell gave notice of a motion he would bring on at the next meeting, for the adoption of an office by the Association. Votes of thanks concluded the business. The Bushey bells were kept going all the evening. Messrs. H. Lewis and E. R. Mitchell, of St. Albans, were also present during the evening.

The Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

A COMMITTEE MEETING of the above will be held in the Chantry, St. Mary's Church, Kidderminster, on Saturday, February 21st, at 4 p.m. prompt. Chairman—Rev. S. Phillips, vicar. The tower will be open for ringing.
JOHN SMITH, *Hon. Sec.*

The Surrey Association.

A QUARTERLY MEETING was held at Kingston-on-Thames on Monday, the 19th ult. Soon after six o'clock forty-six members sat down to a meat tea at the Albany Hall. About seven o'clock the Hon. Treasurer, the Vicar of Kingston, took the chair, and after the usual formal opening (consisting of reading the minutes of the last meeting), the Secretary reported six peals rung since the last meeting, and afterwards moved an important addition to the rules of the Association: the proposition was to establish life-membership of performing members residing in another county. After considerable discussion it was agreed to pass the rule, so that now performing members who reside out of the county of Surrey may become life members by a donation of 5s. The cash account for the past year was read and passed, and it was resolved that 20% of the balance in hand should be banked in the Post-office Savings Bank. Twenty-one new members were elected, including one honorary life member, and two other honorary members. It was resolved to hold the next meeting at East Molesey, on Easter Monday.

ARTHUR B. CARPENTER, *Hon. Sec.*

The Kent County Association.

MAIDSTONE DISTRICT.—The Annual Meeting of this district was held at Wrotham on Saturday, the 31st ult. A Committee Meeting was also held on the same day, at which Mr. Woolley (Maidstone) was again elected as the representative on the Central Committee. It is pleasant to record that on the proposal of Mr. E. N. Howard (formerly unattached), the Eynsford band were re-admitted to the Association, the chief credit of this being certainly due to Mr. Howard (secretary to the band). The whole company are now full members, five having received certificates in 1886 (E. N. Howard, F. Head, J. Wellard, W. Wash, W. West), and two being passed on Saturday (R. Baldwin and T. Collier). We hope others will be soon induced to follow their example. Two honorary members were also elected: J. C. Crosley, Esq., Sadler Hall, Eynsford; and the Rev. W. A. Warner, curate-in-charge of Ash. The present meeting was much better attended than that held at Town Malling last year, though there is still plenty of room for improvement. Altogether just upon thirty were present, including ringers from Ash, Eynsford, Harrietsham, Maidstone, Town Malling, Seal Chart, and Wrotham. As regards the actual ringing, BOB TRIPLES, BOB MINOR, and GRANDSIRE DOUBLES are what we chiefly noticed during the day. Allowances of 1s. were made to the members attending. (All subscriptions are due in January, and very few have as yet been paid.)
THOS. L. STACK, *District Sec.*

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

THE First Quarterly Meeting of the year was held at East Dereham, on Monday, the 2nd inst., and was attended by about thirty members, who assembled from Norwich, Beccles, Great Yarmouth, Eye, Hingham, and Aylsham, in addition to the members of the local company. The recent severe weather, and want of employment which it brought with it, prevented many members from being able to attend, who, under more favourable circumstances, would no doubt have put in an appearance. The day, however, was pleasantly passed by those who came, the weather being everything that could be desired. The Rev. H. L. Arnold, vicar of East Dereham, presided at the dinner, and bade the Association a hearty welcome. At the short business meeting which followed, the Hon. Secretary was able to congratulate the members upon the position which their Association had attained, and to point to many circumstances of encouragement for the future; the progress made during the past year, and the hearty way in which the members

had pulled together to rescue their Association from its very critical position, being in the highest degree gratifying. Eleven honorary, one non-resident life, twenty-seven performing members, and six probationers, were then admitted, and three probationers confirmed as full members.

Mr. Sevier's Peals.

SIR,—In answer to Mr. W. F. Pates' remarks in your last issue concerning my peals of TREBLE BOB, I claim them to be true and original peals, as was proved for me by the late Henry Johnson, sen., of Bridge Street, Birmingham, while on a visit there, and which were composed by me before Snowdon's treatise came out; therefore the peal referred to is not in three parts, as I have given the peal in full, if he will kindly observe this.

58 Westgate Street, Gloucester, February 6th, 1891. W. J. SEVIER.

* * * Many articles are unavoidably postponed.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

Mr. Congreve has thought it well in future to occasionally refer to a few *old cases* and *recent letters* from the same patients in order to show the

PERMANENCE OF CURE.

Here are two (others will follow):—

Mr. W. T. FRAZER (whose case appears in my Appendix, page 27, No. LXXIII, and of which Rev. R. Handford writes, 'He owes his life to your treatment, although declared by two doctors to be in Consumption, he is now a marvel of health and strength,') writing me recently, says:—'You remember me as an old patient of yours at Bishop Auckland. I am now living at Bank Street, Bishop's Waltham, Hants. I am thankful to say that I am still enjoying excellent health.'

Mr. ARTHUR JONES, of 37 Clydach Street, Brynmawr, writing me recently upon a new case, speaks of his brother, Mr. JOHN JONES, and Mr. GEORGE PROTHEROE, for whom he wrote me from Talywain, Pontypool, some years since. The patients were both very ill. J. Jones especially was said to be at death's door. The case is given in my Appendix, page 41, No. CX. The Editor of the *Christian Globe* took some pains to investigate this case, and alluded to it in that paper as a remarkable evidence of the value of my treatment.

Mr. A. Jones says:—'You remember I used to write to you from Talywain. I am happy to tell you that my brother and George Protheroe whom you had under your treatment as advanced cases of Consumption six years ago, are both well and strong men, and have never ceased work since they were restored, under God, by you.'

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THE February number of *NEWBURY* concludes the good set of papers by Charles Welsh on the 'History of Books for Children.' In his second paper on 'Christianity in Relation to Socialism,' the Rev. H. M. Ward gives four instances from a period of six centuries to show how the Church has been the leader of social development. These are Magna Charta, the work of Archbishop Langton; the monasteries as the teachers and comforters of [the Middle Age]; the dethronement of James II. through the seven Bishops; and the present wave of socialism, which, he says, is due to the Oxford movement against individualism in the Church. An article on 'The Church House' is illustrated not only with views of the proposed building, but also with a representation of the corporate seal of the House, the design of which is taken from a picture by Fra Angelico.

UNDER the title of 'A Man of Courage,' the *NET* gives an appreciative sketch of Mackay, the C.M.S. missionary to Uganda, in which we are glad to see due prominence given to that most uncalled-for interference of French Romanists, which has been the chief cause of all the troubles of the mission, including the horrible martyrdoms of natives and the deaths of Bishop Hannington and Mackay himself.

THE *HERALD OF PEACE* and *MESSIAH'S KINGDOM* continue their varied protests against war and its allied iniquities. And while not afraid to quote, as the *Herald* does this month, from such a man as Mr. F. Harrison, we are glad to see that the editors of both these little monthlies are working on distinctly Christian principles.

ST. NICHOLAS has, amongst other things, an interesting account of 'How the Mails are Carried,' by Max Bennett; the last chapter of the 'Story of the Golden Fleece,' by Andrew Lang; two serial stories, 'The Fortunes of Toby Trafford,' and 'The Boy Settlers'; 'The Artful Ant,' an amusing story in verse by Oliver Herford; 'Extracts from the Diary of a Little Girl ten years old of a Journey to the East,' told in her own quaint words. Illustrations, as usual, very good.

THE *STRAND MAGAZINE* is likely to be very popular. We understand that scores of thousands of the first number were called for, and we shall not be surprised if the same thing happens with the second. It well continues the many new features which are likely to make the magazine popular. From the Russian of Alexander Pushkin there is 'The Pistol Shot,' from the French of Jules Clarétie, 'Slap Bang;' from the German of Paul Heyse, the second part and conclusion of 'The Maid of Treppi;' from the French of Prosper Mérimée, 'How the Redoubt was taken;' from the French of Balzac, 'A Passion in the Desert;' and from the Hungarian of Menitz Tokai, 'Barak's Wives.' All are suitably illustrated, and are representative specimens of popular European literature. The 'Portraits of Celebrities at different times of their lives' include Cardinal Manning, John Ruskin, W. E. Gladstone, Mrs. Langtry, John Hare, Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft, Professor Huxley, and Adeline Patti. There are also capital papers on 'Ladies' Dress;' 'Our Money Manufactory;' 'At the Children's Hospital;' 'Actors' Dressing-Rooms;' and 'A Night with the Thames Police.'

THE *YOUNG MAN*.—The opening article in this number, by Mr. W. T. Stead, 'How to Become a Journalist,' will be read with great interest, and will be found extremely practical from its studious moderation of tone. There is also an interesting sketch of Mr. Stead, written by one of his ex-secretaries. Dr. Parker continues his papers entitled 'Well Begun.' Mr. W. S. Dawson begins his papers on 'Books that have Moved Me,' by a careful and interesting account of Olive Schreiner's *The Story of an African Farm*. The other contents of the number are of the usual description.

OUR OWN *GAZETTE* (Partridge & Co.) gives the first place in its pages to a continuing story of the olden time, 'In the Days of King Henry.' 'Insect Traps amongst Plants' puts into fairly simple form some teachings in botany; and the same is done for the science of astronomy by Mr. Davidson in his 'Trip to the Remotest Stars;' whilst the more homely matters of 'Cheap Dinners' and 'How to Dress Well' are also attended to.

FOUR magazines of the 'educational' class have reached us. THE *PARENTS' REVIEW* (Kegan Paul) has a series of papers on 'Children's Nurses,' in which startling facts are revealed, reflecting quite as much on the carelessness of mothers as of nursemaids; and surely the former have less excuse than the latter.

MESSRS. JAMES NISBET & Co. have in the press a new series of books on Practical Christianity, entitled *THE CHRISTIAN UNDER REVIEW*. The series will comprise twelve small volumes, published at 1s. and 1s. 6d. Among the writers are the Bishop of Sodor and Man, the Dean of Gloucester, the Dean of Norwich, the Archdeacon of London, and others.

RECEIVED ALSO:—THE *QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF THE PALESTINE EXPLORATION FUND*; THE *ANGLICAN CHURCH MAGAZINE*; THE *SCOTTISH STANDARD BEARER*, and THE *TREASURY*.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE Monthly Meeting of the Guild will be held at Crossens on Saturday, the 28th inst. Bells open 3 p.m., meeting 6 p.m.

Rev. W. T. BULPIT,)
W. BENTHAM,) Hon. Secs.

ON Saturday, January 31st, the Quarterly Meeting of the Guild was held at Ormskirk, with a good attendance of ringers from Aughton, Crosby, Crossen, Croston, Halsall, Hindley, Sefton, Southport, Upholland, besides the local company. Ringing commenced at 3 p.m., and was kept up at intervals until 4.30 p.m., when service was held in the church, and was well attended by the ringers, prayers being read by the Rev. J. Johnson, and a good and practical address delivered by the Vicar, the Rev. J. E. Woodrowe. After service, by the kind invitation of the Vicar and Mrs. Woodrowe, the ringers were entertained to an excellent tea in the Vicarage Schoolroom, to which ample justice was done, the Vicar and Mrs. Woodrowe being indefatigable in their efforts to make every one comfortable. The business meeting was afterwards held, at which the Vicar presided, being supported by the Rev. W. T. Bulpit, Rev. J. Johnson, Rev. J. Oliver, and Messrs. W. L. Hutton and W. G. Taylor, churchwardens of Aughton, and Mr. J. Martin, of Sefton. The Vicar gave the ringers a hearty welcome to Ormskirk, and said he was glad to see so good an attendance of ringers. He called upon the Secretary to read the minutes of the last meeting. This having been done, the Rev. W. T. Bulpit said he could endorse all that the Vicar had said, and spoke of the good work being done by the Guild. Mr. W. Bentham then read a report showing the steady progress that was being made by the Guild both financially and in membership, as there were 130 members and a good balance in hand. Mr. J. Martin and Mr. W. L. Hutton complimented the Guild on the progress they had made, the latter showing a beautiful illustrated card of membership, which was greatly admired. Several items of interest were afterwards discussed, after which a hearty vote of thanks to the Vicar and Mrs. Woodrowe for providing so excellent a tea and for the use of the bells and schoolroom brought a very pleasant meeting to a close. The methods rung were *GRANDSIRE MINOR* and *TRIPLES*, *BOB MINOR* and *MAJOR*, and *KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR*.

The Waterloo Society, London.

AT the adjourned General Meeting of this Society on Wednesday, the 4th inst., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Master, G. Wild (re-elected); Treasurer, C. E. Malin (re-elected); Steward, J. E. Davis; Secretary, W. Partington, 42 York Road, Lambeth, S.E.

All Saints' (Fulham) Association, London.

THE following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Master, Mr. J. N. Driver; Secretary, Mr. John Green; Steward, Mr. E. H. Adams; Treasurer, Mr. S. How. The Rev. W. C. Muriel was asked to undertake the office of President, which he accepted in a few appropriate remarks.

St. Sepulchre, Holborn Viaduct, City of London.

By permission of the churchwardens, the usual fortnightly practice has been resumed at the above church. All ringers are kindly invited. Alternate Thursdays, from February 12th. Meeting-time, 8 p.m.

D. LOVETT, *Steeple-keeper*.

The Middlesex Association.

A VERY successful district meeting was held at Hadley on Saturday, the 7th inst. The tower of St. Mary's Church was open for ringing at five o'clock, but it was six o'clock before a sufficient number mustered for a touch of *GRANDSIRE MINOR*. At six o'clock, however, members began to flock in from Finchley and Hendon. Touches were rung in seven *Minor* methods, viz., *GRANDSIRE*, *BOB MINOR*, *CANTERBURY PLEASURE*, *OXFORD BOB*, *COLLEGE SINGLE*, *KENT* and *OXFORD TREBLE BOB*, and the local band rang several six-scores of *GRANDSIRE DOUBLES* and plain courses of *GRANDSIRE MINOR*. The touches followed each other in quick succession until nine p.m., when the company separated, all expressing themselves thoroughly satisfied with the tone and 'go' of the bells. They thank the Rector and Mr. Churchwarden Samuel for permitting them the use of the bells.

St. Stephen's (Westminster) Bell-ringers' Society, London.

THE Annual Dinner of this Society was held on Saturday, February 7th, at the Victoria Mansions Restaurant, when, in the absence of the Vicar (the Rev. W. H. G. Twining), the chair was taken by the Rev. W. H. Manning. Following a good repast, the usual loyal and patriotic toasts were duly proposed and responded to. The toast of 'The President and Vice-President,' proposed by Mr. T. R. Bell, was replied to by the Rev. W. H. Manning, in the absence of the President and Vice-President; and the toast of the evening, 'St. Stephen's Bingers' Society,' was most ably proposed by Mr. H. Joyce, C.B., and responded to by the Master of the Society, Mr. H. Ellis. During the evening some good singing was rendered by the members, among the most noteworthy being the Rev. C. S. Swire, Messrs. John and James Fryer, H. Ellis, E. Duff, and Carter. Mr. J. Cocks kindly officiated at the piano.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild of Bell-ringers.

THE Annual Meeting of the East Berks and South Bucks Branch was held on Saturday, the 31st ult. About seventy-six members of the Branch journeyed to Wycombe, and ringing was commenced at Hughenden at 11.30 a.m., when an attempt was made to ring a peal of *STEDMAN TRIPLES*, but after ringing within nine courses of the 'Halfway Single,' a change-

course occurred. Afterwards, 336 of BOB MAJOR were rung, and a move was then made for Wycombe, where touches of STEDMAN TRIPLES, GRANDSIRE, and BOB MAJOR were successfully brought round. The towers of High Wycombe, Hughenden, Woburn, Cookham, Boyne Hill, Bray, Wraysbury, Farnham Royal, Lane End, and Great Marlow, were well represented, and among the clergy present were the Rev. R. Chilton, Rev. H. Young, Rev. A. L. Armitage (Wycombe), Rev. F. E. Robinson (Master of the Guild), Rev. J. H. Hindson, (vicar of Wraysbury), Rev. H. Blagden (vicar of Hughenden), Rev. R. Hart Davis (vicar of St. Dunstan's, Reading), Rev. F. L. Nash (vicar of Lane End), Rev. C. A. Raymond (vicar of Bray), and the Rev. R. P. Newhouse (senior curate of Boyne Hill Church). Ringing was kept up from two o'clock to 4.45 at Wycombe, when the Rev. R. P. Newhouse preached an eloquent sermon to the members of the Guild in the Parish Church, High Wycombe, basing his remarks upon 1 Cor. ix. 16. After service tea was provided at the Girls' National School, and about seventy-six members sat down. After tea, the Rev. R. P. Newhouse, the Branch Secretary, read the minutes of the last meeting, and then the Master of the Guild called upon him to read his report. He regretted that there was not so large a balance shown as on previous years, as would be seen from the balance-sheet.

The election of officers then took place. On the motion of the Rev. H. Blagden, seconded by Mr. R. Smith, the Vicar of Boyne End was re-elected President for the ensuing year. On the motion of Mr. A. H. Cocks (Marlow), seconded by the Rev. C. A. Raymond, the Rev. R. P. Newhouse was re-elected Branch Secretary; on the motion of Mr. E. Keeley, seconded by Mr. H. Stratford, Mr. A. H. Cocks, of Marlow, was elected Treasurer; on the motion of the Rev. H. Blagden, seconded by Mr. J. W. Wilkins, the old Committee, which consisted of the foreman of each belfry, was re-elected *en bloc*.

The Master of the Guild, the Rev. F. E. Robinson, then gave a short address, and was followed by the Rev. Hart Davis, of St. Dunstan's, Reading, who said he had quite by chance the good fortune to be the founder of the Guild, as it had sprung up out of a paper which he read at the invitation of the Rev. Dr. Ball at Workingham, on 'Bells and Bell-ringing,' thus showing what great things sometimes come from small and insignificant beginnings. The Master of the Guild then moved a vote of thanks to the Vicar of High Wycombe for the use of the church, and to the organist for his services; and this having been heartily accorded, the Rev. R. Chilton, in responding, said that he was much obliged to them for the vote of thanks, for it had given him great pleasure to receive the Branch at High Wycombe Church. The Vicar of Bray, the Rev. C. A. Raymond, then moved a vote of thanks to the Rev. R. P. Newhouse for his excellent sermon, and after that gentleman had returned thanks the proceedings terminated.

Annual Dinner of the Stoke Newington Ringers, London.

THE Second Annual Dinner of the St. Mary's (Stoke Newington) Branch of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths was held on Wednesday evening, February 4th, at the Mission Hall, Church Street—the President of the Society, the Rev. Prebendary Shelford, in the chair; vice-chair, Rev. M. B. Bailey. Letters of regret for inability to attend were read from the Vice-Presidents, Messrs. J. J. Runtz and W. Eve. The tables being cleared, the loyal toasts were duly honoured. Mr. Howard next gave the health of the President and Vice-Presidents, and thanked the Rector for his presence that evening, the toast being greeted with musical honours.

The Chairman, in response, said the honour was due to the bell-ringers for having entertained him, and he hoped after Easter they would allow him the privilege of returning the compliment by their spending an evening with him at the Rectory. He referred to the interest he had always taken in bell-ringing, which was not such an easy art as might be imagined by the uninitiated. He then gave the toast of the evening, 'The Health of the Society,' coupled with the names of the Master, Mr. Howard, and the Secretary, Mr. Scarlett, complimenting them on their recent achievement, which, he understood, had never been done before in Stoke Newington. He was glad to know they achieved their success after great difficulties—and the greater the difficulties, the nobler the victory—and regretted that other business compelled him to

leave the meeting early. He was proud of the bell-ringers of Stoke Newington, and was pleased to know they had a good Master in Mr. Howard, and an admirable teacher in Mr. Scarlett, who had done much in bringing the members to such a state of efficiency. The toast was enthusiastically received.

Mr. Howard, in reply, spoke of the great help he had received from Mr. Scarlett, the Society under his leadership having made great progress during the past three months; and he was always willing to give two evenings a week to teaching the members.

Mr. Scarlett said he had always striven to make the Society one of the best in London, and was very pleased with their success last Saturday, and intimated that he wished to get the Rector and churchwardens' permission to erect a stone or marble tablet in the belfry to commemorate the event. He thanked the members for their assistance, and looked forward to their future co-operation. He was glad to say that, unlike Upper Clapton and Hackney, they had a band of scientific ringers of their own.

The Chairman said, with reference to the removal of the bells from the old church, that was a question which would have to be decided very much by the wishes of the parishioners. At the same time, it would be very absurd to hear two peals of bells so close to each other.

The Rector then vacated the chair, and the Rev. M. B. Bailey took his place. Mr. Gordon next gave the toast of 'The Clergy,' coupled with the name of the Rev. M. B. Bailey, and expressed his gratitude for the interest the clergy of Stoke Newington took in bell-ringing.

The Chairman, in response, paid a compliment to the Society for their proficiency in handbell-ringing. He recommended their leaving the question of removal of the bells from the old church to the Rector, who was always successful in any project he took up.

During the evening Messrs. Edridge, Truss, Sporle, Bloter, and Scarlett contributed to the harmony, and the ringers gave some excellent displays of their skill on the handbells.

The Five Bells at Burton Latimer, Northants.

LATELY, by permission of the Rev. F. B. Newman, a Quarterly Meeting of the Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Society of Church Bell-ringers was held at the church of St. Mary, Burton Latimer. In addition to placing his bells at the disposal of the Society from 2.30 to 6 o'clock, the Rector (who has been a hearty supporter of the Association since its formation, eight years ago) conducted the ringers over the church, pointing out its Norman and Early English nave, the handsome canopied screen, the frescoes on the walls, and other points of interest in the ancient structure. In the year 1864 the tower and spire, having become unsafe, were taken down and rebuilt. The church was restored three years later. A new clock, supplied by Messrs. Gillett & Co., of Croydon, has recently been placed in the tower, and has proved itself an efficient time-keeper. Burton Latimer bells are a light ring of five, the tenor being one of the many nice-toned bells cast by Bayre, of Kettering, in the eighteenth century. It weighs probably about 13 cwt. The inscriptions and dimensions of the bells are stated in North's *Church Bells of Northants* to be as follows:—

1. IH'S : NAZARENVS REX : IVDEORVM FILI : DEI MISERERE : MEI 1620. (Diam. 31½ in.)
2. CELORVM CHRISTE PLATIAT TIBI REX SONVS ISTE J. PAINÉ AND H. BULL HIEROPHYLACIUS T. & J. BAYRE 1718. (Diam. 32½ in.)
3. CELORVM CHRSTE PLATIAT TIBI REX SONVS ISTE 1619. (Diam. 35 in.)
4. IH'S NAZARENVS REX : IVDEORVM FILI : DEI MISERERE MEI : 1619. (Diam. 37 in.)
5. IHS NAZARENVS REX IVDEORVM FILI DEI MISERE MEI WILLIAM STEAR & JOHN PAYNE C. W. 1749 T. BAYRE : : KETT : FECIT. (Diam. 40½ in.)

Ringers from Raunds, Kettering, Earl's Barton, Higham Ferrers, Irthlingborough, and Wellingborough, about twenty in all, were present during the afternoon. Before separating, the ringers passed a hearty vote of thanks to the Rev. F. B. Newman for the use of the bells. The next meeting of the Society (the Annual Meeting) is fixed to take place at Earl's Barton on Whit-Monday.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

At the Parish Church, Aston, Warwickshire.

ON Saturday, the 31st ult., the following members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang a peal of 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 5 mins. H. Hipkiss, 1; W. H. Godden, 2; S. Reeves, 3; Rev. J. R. Keble, 4; W. R. Small, 5; T. Horton, 6; J. George, 7; C. Price, 8; R. Hall, 9; J. Hall, 10. The peal (which has not been rung before) contains 18 courses with 5-6 in coursing order, 12-65 and the 6th 17 courses home, 17 courses behind the 9th and 18 courses behind the 8th. Composed by W. Kent, and conducted by S. Reeves.

At the Parish Church, Long Melford, Suffolk.

ON Saturday evening, the 31st ult., eight members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 10 mins. S. Slater (conductor), 1; A. Ambrose, 2; H. Smith,* 3; A. Symonds, 4; T. King, 5; F. Wells, 6; G. Smith,* 7; R. Gowers,* 8. The peal, in three parts, is the composition of the late Mr. William Garrard, of Ipswich. This is the third 5000 rung in the Melford steeple in which the conductor has taken part, but the first conducted by him on these bells. [* First 5000 on eight bells.]

At the Parish Church, Foxearth, Essex.

ON Wednesday evening, the 28th ult., a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR was rung in 3 hrs. by a band of the Royal Cumberland Society, London. F. Slater, 1; W. Gridley, 2; Z. Slater, 3; F. Wells, 4; C. Honeybell, 5; G. Maxim, 6; O. Garwood, 7; N. J. Pitstow, 8. The peal was composed and conducted by N. J. Pitstow, of Saffron Walden, and has never been previously performed.

ON Saturday, the 31st ult., the Foxearth Company, all members of the Essex Association, rang a true and complete peal, consisting of 5040 changes, in two different methods, being three 720's of KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR and four 720's of BOB MINOR, in 2 hrs. 50 mins. W. Gridley, 1; W. Lee, 2; G. Green,* 3; R. Inch,* 4; S. Evans,* 5; G. Maxim (conductor), 6. This is the first peal rung by a Foxearth Company since January 9th, 1886. Tenor, 8½ cwt. [* First peal.]

At St. Margaret's, Warnham, Sussex.

ON Monday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Sussex County Association rang Harrison's peal of 10,176 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 5 hrs. 53 mins. T. Andrews, 1; F. Rice, 2; E. Jordan, 3; J. Parker, 4; A. Mills, 5; W. Short (birthday), 6; W. Charman, 7; H. H. Chandler (conductor), 8. Tenor, 14 cwt.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Loughton, Essex.

ON Monday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 1 min. W. Lebbon (conductor), 1; A. H. Gardom, 2; E. A. Bacon, 3; F. Freeman, 4; J. Rann, 5; G. Carter, 6; W. Carter, 7; Jos. Trapps (first peal in any method), 8. Tenor, 19½ cwt. Messrs. Bacon, Freeman, Rann, Carter, Clark, and Trapps, were elected members of the above Society previous to starting for the peal. The first peal in the method on the bells, also the first in the method by all the band.

At Immanuel Church, Streatham, Surrey.

ON Monday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Surrey Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 54 mins. D. Springall, 1; R. Blanchard, 2; D. Burtenshaw, 3; S. Greenwood (conductor), 4; E. F. Cole, 5; Jos. Fayers, 6; G. Pell, 7; W. Shepherd, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt.

At St. Peter's, Liverpool.

ON Tuesday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Lancashire Association rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 2 mins. J. Aspinwall, 1; C. Williams, 2; C. E. Wilson,* 3; H. Coley, 4; T. Hammond, 5; G. Fisher, 6; J. Martin,* 7; R. Williams (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 15 cwt. [* First peal in the method.]

At St. Mary's, Hadlow, Kent.

ON Sunday, the 8th inst., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. F. G. Newman (conductor), 1; A. Palmer, 2; W. E. Pope, 3; R. Edwards, 4; A. C. West, 5; E. Pope, 6; T. Eard (first peal of STEDMAN), 7; G. Rabbit (first peal), 8. The first peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

At St. Editha's, Tamworth, Staffordshire.

ON Shrove Tuesday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. J. Windridge, 1; J. W. Timms (conductor), 2; R. P. Brindley, 3; W. Chapman (first peal inside), 4; A. Everitt, 5; J. George (Rugby), 6; C. Chapman (first peal), 7; W. Tomlinson, 8.

At St. Mary's, Walthamstow, Essex.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Essex Association rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 52 mins. T. Maynard, 1; W. B. Manning, 2; H. R. Newton, 3; C. F. Winny, 4; F. G. Newman (conductor), 5; W. E. Garrard, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; W. Crockford, 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

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The Lancashire Association.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.—The usual Monthly Meeting was held at Grassendale, near Liverpool, when upwards of twenty ringers attended from Liverpool, Garston, Prescott, Woolton, Southport; and the local company. In the absence of the Vicar (who was called away from home) Mr. W. Davies presided, and in a brief speech spoke of the great progress of the Association and change-ringing throughout the county. Mr. Hill (secretary) said a few words on the steady increase of members of the branch. After the passing of the minutes of the last meeting, it was proposed and carried that the next meeting be held at Tue Brook and West Derby combined. A vote of thanks was proposed to the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells and Mission Room; also to Mr. Davies for presiding, both of which were carried, which brought a pleasant meeting to a close. Methods rung during the evening, TREBLE BOB MINOR and GRANDSIRE.

ROCHDALE BRANCH.—The ringing meeting of the above branch was held at St. James's Church, East Crompton (six bells), on Saturday, the 14th inst., when there were about twenty ringers present. The objects were well explained by Mr. G. Hoyle, who presided; and it is thought there will be an accession of new members, those present being pleased with the account given of the work done by the branch. The meeting closed with votes of thanks to the Vicar and Wardens, and also to the Chairman. The bells were rung in BOB MINOR up to 9 p.m.

The Lancashire Association of Six-bell Ringers.

The Quarterly Meeting of this Association was held at Chorley on the 7th inst., the following towers being represented:—Blackrod, Chorley, St. Andrew's, Leyland, St. James's, Leyland, St. Mark's, Preston, Penwortham, and Standish. The methods rung were—LONDON SINGLE BOB, COLLEGE SINGLE BOB, VICTORIA, and BOB MINOR. At six o'clock the members adjourned, when the usual business was gone through. After votes of thanks to the Chairman for presiding, and to the Rector for the use of the bells, the meeting was brought to a close.

The Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

A COMMITTEE MEETING of the above Association was held in the chantry of St. Mary's Church, Kidderminster, on Saturday last, presided over by the Rev. S. Phillips, M.A., vicar. The minutes of the last meeting being read and confirmed, the usual business was transacted, during which seven members from Clent and three from Areley Kings were elected as performing members, with the Rev. D. Vawdrey, vicar of the last-named place, as an hon. member of the Association. The draft report of the Committee was then read by the Hon. Secretary, as was also the balance-sheet by Mr. C. Barrett, one of the auditors, and adopted. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Annual Meeting should be held at Worcester on Easter Monday, the reverend Chairman undertaking to write the Dean and Chapter in reference to having the use of the Cathedral bells, and, if possible, to get the Dean of Worcester to deliver an address to the members. The Hon. Secretary here made a request that the local secretary of each society in union forward a list of the company's names, with the secretary's and delegates' names and addresses, to him at once, so that a correct list of names may appear in the annual report. During the afternoon and evening touches of KENT TREBLE BOB and DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, were rung upon the tower bells by mixed companies, Mr. W. H. Fussell being amongst them. A vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding and for the use of the chantry, tower, and bells, brought the meeting to a close, after the reverend gentleman had suitably responded, and remarked that he should like to see more of the clergy (in this diocese especially) taking a greater interest in these Associations, which had done and were still doing a good work in connexion with the Church through the length and breadth of the land.

Dedication of Bells at Brackley, Northants.

ON Monday, February 2nd, being the Feast of the Purification, the new bell at St. Peter's Church was dedicated, and the now complete ring of six was opened after re-hanging. The day commenced with a celebration of Holy Communion, and at 2.30 there was a large gathering of parishioners and friends in and about the church to hear the ringing of a peal of 720 changes of KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, which was rung by members of the Bedfordshire Association. F. W. Keach, 1; Blackburne, 2; Goddard, 3; the Rev. F. E. Robinson, 4; C. W. Clarke, 5; I. Hills, 6. In the vestry, at the close of the peal, a meeting was held to consider the desirability of forming a local Association of Bell-ringers, and this was presided over by the Rural Dean, the Rev. W. E. Buckley, R.D. Among those present were the Rev. B. de M. Egerton (vicar), the Rev. I. Wodhams, the Rev. J. P. Metcalfe, the Rev. E. Worsley (Evenley), the Rev. F. Barnes (Helmdon), the Rev. F. E. Robinson, the Rev. H. Hickman, Sir G. Bannerman, Bart., Messrs. Clark, Wright, A. H. Russel, G. S. Boughton, J. G. Clarke (churchwardens). The Vicar intimated that they desired to ascertain the feeling of the meeting with reference to the establishment of an Association of Ringers for the parish and neighbourhood for the purpose of encouraging the practice of change-ringing, and expressed his opinion that such an Association would be very valuable to their own parish. There were, he learned, several Associations of the kind in the diocese, though there was not a diocesan one, and he named those at Northampton and at Wellingborough as instances. Both these were at a long distance from themselves, and he did hope if they

founded such an Association there they would find their neighbours desirous of joining them. He hoped also in time a Diocesan Association might be formed, with which they could affiliate themselves. Pointing out that the work of ringing was undertaken for the honour and glory of God, he attributed to Associations of the kind the great improvement in all matters relating to bells and belfries, which had formerly been less creditable to the Church than could have been wished. He expressed his hearty thanks, and those of the parishioners, to the members of the Guild who had attended to assist them that day. The Rev. F. E. Robinson described the great advance that had taken place in change-ringing in recent years. He instanced as practical helps afforded to ringers by the Guild of which he was Master, that it provided parochial ringers with instructors, with competent advisers as to the repair of bells, and afterwards members went and saw that the work was properly done. He advised the formation of the Association, which afterwards might be amalgamated with the diocesan body when formed. The President expressed himself favourable to the formation of an Association. He moved a formal resolution setting forth the desirability of forming an Association of the kind. Mr. Clarke Wright seconded, and this motion was agreed to *nen. con.* A committee was formed consisting of the Rural Dean, the Vicars of Brackley and Evenley, Sir G. Bannerman, Bart., and the Churchwardens of Brackley, with power to add to their number. The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

The Dedication Service took place at seven o'clock, when the choir and clergy march to the west end of the church, the clergy in the procession being the Right Rev. the Bishop of Leicester, the Vicar of Brackley, the Rev. I. Wodhams, the Rev. P. Metcalfe, and the Rev. H. Hickman. The service, after the processional hymn, commenced with the Lord's Prayer, followed by a series of versicles and responses. Psalm ci. was next sung, after which the Bishop offered a series of dedicatory prayers which were followed by Psalm cxxii. The ringers then sounded a short peal, during the ringing of which the choir and clergy returned to their seats in the chancel. A special hymn was sung, and the Bishop delivered an address appropriate to the occasion. A second special hymn was sung, and the collection taken, which, with the offertory collected at the celebration of Holy Communion, amounted to 6l. 12s. 3d. The service was hearty throughout. At the close of the service a merry peal by the Brackley ringers was rung upon the bells. The new bell was cast by Messrs. Taylor & Sons, of Loughborough, and the hanging was done by Messrs. Blackburne & Greenleaf, of Salisbury.

Mr. Sevier's Peals.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Pates, I did not say the peal of Treble Eight was a one-part composition; the peal has two even parts and one short part, so I gave the peal in full instead of in parts, on account of the above. He also refers to my abilities as a composer. I should like to know a little of his, not often seeing much of it, and perhaps in the future he will be a little careful in criticising one of his own county-men's peals, which in honour of the exercise he should uphold instead of discouraging. I am not in the habit of sending other persons' compositions to your valuable paper, and attaching my own name to them.

Perhaps Mr. Pates will kindly publish the composition of the peal of Treble Ten rung at Cheltenham on Boxing Day last, for the benefit of the exercise, as I should like to call that composition myself. I hope I have perfectly satisfied your correspondent,
W. J. SEVIER.

58 Westgate Street, Gloucester.

Peal of 5000 Stedman Caters.

BY JOHN ROGERS.

WITH 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th bells each nine courses before the 7th; and shortest coming-home course from Tittum course-end that ever has, or will be, obtained in a peal of CATERS.

3 - 13 - 14 - 18 - 19	4 2 6 3 5		
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		5 4 6 3 -	6 2 3 4 - 4 - 15
			6 5 2 4 1 3 - 14 - 16
			1 2 3 4 5 6 - 2 - 3 - 4 - 5

In conducting this peal omit bob at 15 in second course, and repeat the nine courses four times to sixth course in last column, then finish peal as written.

First rung on St. Sepulchre's bells by Royal Cumberlands, February 14th, 1891. Conducted by its author.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 244.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Peter's, St. Albans, Herts.

On Saturday, the 14th ult., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Hertfordshire Association rang a peal of 5000 BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 13 mins. A. Hall,* 1; E. Hall,* 2; G. W. Cartmel, 3; J. W. Brewer,* 4; E. R. Mitchell, 5; W. H. L. Buckingham (composer and conductor), 6; H. Brewer,* 7; E. P. Debenham, 8; W. Battle,* 9; T. Waller, 10. The first peal of ROYAL rung in the city by a local band. [* First peal of ROYAL.]

At Holy Trinity, Dartford, Kent.

On Friday, the 20th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association, who are also members of the Society of Trinity Youths, rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 53 mins. F. G. Newman (conductor), 1; W. J. Beeve, 2; C. Conyard, 3; C. F. Winny, 4; H. Gibbs, 5; E. Barnett, 6; F. J. French, 7; J. Blackman, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. The first peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

At St. Albans, Herts.

On Wednesday, the 4th inst., four members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Herts and Essex Association rang, on handbells retained in hand, Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 31 mins. S. E. Mitchell (first peal), 1-2; E. R. Mitchell, 3-4; G. W. Cartmel, 5-6; J. C. Mitchell (the conductor has now called the composition from each pair of bells), 7-8. Tenor, 14 size, in D. Umpire, Mr. W. H. L. Buckingham.

At Christ Church, Epsom, Surrey.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., eight members of the Surrey Association rang a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 56 minutes. J. Fayers, 1; E. Bennett, 2; J. Plowman, 3; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 4; J. Harding, 5; J. Hartley (first peal of TREBLE BOB MAJOR), 6; C. Bruce, 7; J. Trappitt, 8. Composed by H. Dains and conducted by E. Bennett. Tenor, 12 cwt. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. A. G. Hunter for his kindness in granting them permission to ring the peal.

At St. Bride's, Fleet Street, City of London.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., twelve members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5019 STEDMAN CINQUES in 3 hrs. 50 mins. R. French, 1; W. Cecil, 2; W. Burkin, 3; G. J. Smith, 4; F. L. Davies,* 5; C. F. Winny, 6; A. S. Burrell,* 7; S. E. Joyce, 8; H. G. Fruin, 9; G. T. McLaughlin, 10; A. W. Barkus, 11; F. E. Dawe (composer and conductor), 12. Tenor, 28 cwt. All the above band, who are in the category of 'Bachelors,' belong to London, and the novelty of achieving a peal at St. Bride's by twelve Bachelors has been in contemplation for a long time, although only one previous attempt has been made. Their ages, which range from twenty to forty years, show an average of about twenty-seven. This is the first peal of STEDMAN CINQUES ever accomplished in which the conductor has also been the tenor man. [* First peal on twelve bells.]

At St. Sepulchre's, Holborn Viaduct, City of London.

On Saturday, the 14th inst., ten members of the Society of Royal Cumberlands rang a peal of 5000 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 27 mins. J. Rogers (composer and conductor), 1; B. Foskett, 2; W. Baron, 3; H. Swain, 4; E. F. Cole, 5; N. Pitstow (Saffron Walden), 6; G. Newson, 7; E. Chapman, 8; G. Wild, 9; A. Jacob, 10. Tenor, 32 cwt., in D. This composition, by bobs only, has the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th bells each nine courses before the 7th; and the shortest coming-home course from Tittum course-end (twenty-six changes) that ever has been, or will be, in this method, 'for ever.'

At Holy Trinity, Long Melford, Suffolk.

On Saturday, the 14th inst., the following members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers rang a peal of 5008 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 5 mins. S. Slater (Glemsford), 1; W. Howell, jun. (Sudbury, first peal), 2; G. S. Brown (Sudbury), 3; T. King (Lavenham, first peal in the method), 4; G. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 5; H. Smith (Lavenham), 6; W. Howell, sen. (Sudbury), 7; A. Symonds (Lavenham), 8. Composed by Mr. A. Knight, of Chesterfield, and conducted by Mr. Sillitoe.

At St. Mary's, Beddington, Surrey.

On Saturday, the 31st ult., a peal of 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS was rung by ten members of the Surrey Association in 3 hrs. 10 mins. A. Plowman, 1; E. Bennett, 2; R. Sewell, 3; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 4; E. Moses, 5; W. Burkin, 6; J. Hartley, 7; J. Harding, 8; C. Gordon, 9; G. Welling, 10. Composed by Mr. H. Johnson, and conducted by Mr. Bennett. This peal was rung previous to the annual dinner of the St. Mary's Society.

On Saturday, the 14th inst., ten members of the Surrey Association rang a peal of 5079 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 8 mins. A. B. Carpenter, 1; A. J. Plowman, 2; J. Hartley (leaving the South for the Midlands), 3; G. Welling, 4; W. Burbin, 5; C. Bance, 6; J. Fayers, 7; J. Harding, 8; C. Gordon, 9; J. W. Trappitt, 10. Composed by Mr. H. Johnson, and conducted by Dr. A. B. Carpenter.

On Thursday, the 19th inst., at the above church and by the same Association, a peal of 5120 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL was rung in 3 hrs. 15 mins. F. Holder, 1; E. Bennett, 2; J. Hartley, 3; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 4; J. Plowman, 5; G. Welling, 6; J. Fayers, 7; J. Harding, 8; C. Bance, 9; J. Trappitt, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt., in E flat. Composed by W. Harrison and conducted by E. Bennett. These last two peals were rung as a farewell to

Mr. J. Hartley, who has left the neighbourhood for the Midlands, to the great regret of his brother-ringers.

At All Saints', Loughborough, Leicestershire.

On Friday, the 20th inst., the following members of the Midland Counties' Association (Loughborough Branch) rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 25 mins.—E. W. Cartwright, 1; J. Smith, 2; J. W. Taylor, sen., 3; J. W. Taylor, jun., 4; E. Reader, 5; A. Matthews (first peal in the method), 6; W. T. Billingham, 7; J. Hardy, 8; R. Lane (first peal as conductor), 9; E. Wightman, 10. Composed by A. Percival Heywood, Esq. Tenor, 28 cwt., in D. This peal has not been previously rung.

RECEIVED ALSO.—C. W. Gordon (thanks); and others.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

Mr. Congreve has thought it well in future to occasionally refer to a few *old cases* and *recent letters* from the same patients in order to show the

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DISEASED LUNGS—FOLLOWING PNEUMONIA—
CASE AT WESTON-SUPER-MARE.

This case came under my notice seven years ago, and was treated by me for twelve months, which resulted in a perfect cure. It is one that was not published at the time, and is only brought forward now as an example of PERMANENT CURE, and by the desire of the patient, who having enjoyed good health since his recovery, writes me, in a recent letter (dated Jan. 29).—'Please use this letter and publish my case in any way you may think fit.' He also asks for some of my books, saying, 'I am anxious to recommend your treatment to all my friends who need it.'—EDMUND THOMPSON, Draycott, Weston-super-mare, Somerset.

This patient's illness had commenced with two successful heavy attacks of inflammation of the lungs. They were followed by general prostration, hectic flushes, severe pains, profuse expectorations, accompanied with hæmoptysis. He was losing flesh fast, and the doctors' report was '*both lungs diseased*.'

The correspondence continued monthly for twelve months, the letters indicating a gradual improvement. In the recent letter referred to, Mr. Thompson mentions that it is just seven years since he came under me, and says, 'By God's blessing your valuable medicine, &c, has prolonged my life, so far, for seven years.'

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Russia,' many of the personal histories given being as thrilling as those of the Reformation period. Only the stake is wanting for the resemblance to be complete. Mr. John Dennis's account of 'The Friendships of Lord Houghton'—who reckoned Carlyle, Wordsworth, Campbell, Landor, Rogers, Thirlwall, Sydney Smith, Tennyson, Gray, and Miss Nightingale amongst his friends—is delightful, and there are several other good articles.

THE CENTURY MAGAZINE well maintains its high reputation. Captain J. G. Bourke, in his article, 'General Crook in the Indian Country,' gives a thrilling account of the subjugation of the Pi-Utes in Oregon and the Apaches in Arizona. Incidentally Captain Bourke remarks of the treatment which the latter received after their reclamation from savagery 'that there is no brighter page in our history than that which records the progress of the subjugated Apaches at Camp Apache . . . nor is there a fouler blot than that which conceals the knavery which secured their removal' from that camp. The remark is one which might very fitly be applied to most of the dealings of the United States Government with the Indians. The extracts from the memoirs of Talleyrand are continued. They throw a remarkable light upon the character of Napoleon I. We are let into the secrets of the negotiations between Alexander, Napoleon, and Talleyrand, and are shown the workings of Napoleon's mind at the time he proposed to divorce Josephine. Talleyrand's review of Napoleon's career and character is an admirable piece of analysis. The other papers which must be mentioned are 'The Century Club,' 'Australian Cities,' 'Through Eastern Thibet and Central Asia.' The illustrations, it is hardly necessary to say, are of a very high character.

THE SUNDAY AT HOME (R. T. S.) is happy in its current serials. Miss Alcock's 'Story of Constance' is both fascinating and instructive, and Leslie Keith's 'Our Street,' begun in this number, promises well; whilst 'Another's Burden,' though included in 'Pages for the Young,' might interest readers of any age. 'The Wesley Centenary,' which seems to have brought its hero into notice in the whole world of magazine literature, is treated of here by Mr. Green, and a portrait of the great preacher is given, with views of scenes connected with his life and work. Mr. Dennis's 'Sacred Poetry,' is an able review of Palgrave's *Treasury of Sacred Song*, and some of the pieces quoted are of rare merit, and little known. Professor Sayce contributes his sixth chapter on 'Social Life among the Assyrians and Babylonians.' 'Mr. Talkative,' 'A Marvellous Escape,' and 'The Man who Captured the Mint,' are short papers well worth reading.

THE CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL MAGAZINE this month contains a suggestive paper by Eliot Howard on 'The Sunday School and the Missionary Cause,' and one by Mrs. C. E. Malden on 'Method,' beginning with the following pithy anecdote: 'I remember a gentleman complaining once to a friend, in the way we all do, of want of time for his various occupations; to which his friend only replied, 'Well, but what do you want? You've got all the time there is!'

FRIENDLY LEAVES (Wells Gardner) gives 'A Girl's Thoughts about the Ten Commandments,' in the form of a set of self-examination questions drawn up by a girl for her own use, and likely to be of service to others. The 'Scripture Questions for Candidates' are simple and nice.

THE EXPOSITORY TIMES is noteworthy this month for Dr. Salmond's article on Martineau's *Messianic Mythology*, in which the two Drs. Martineau are lucidly distinguished one from the other. Mr. Gwilliam's study of the 'Vernacular in St. Mark' should be read along with Professor Marshall's articles in the *Expositor*. A new feature is a guide to recent literature in apologetics. A low-priced but high-class number.

THERE are two articles deserving attention in the THEOLOGICAL MONTHLY—Mr. Wright's on the 'Gift of Tongues,' and Principal Waller's on the 'Order of the Legislation at Sinai.' Dr. R. Watts on the 'Scriptural Idea of the Church' is, as usual with him, hopeless. The reviews are fairly well done, except those on Whitehead's *Manuals*. How can it be true that the St. Mark will give an accurate knowledge of its contents and peculiarities if the mistakes that we and others have pointed out are to be learnt by the pupil? Better check the scholarship a little more closely next time.

THE HOMILETIC MAGAZINE continues Canon Aubrey Moore's sermons, this month's being 'The Cross in our Lives,' full of home-thrusts. The usual homiletics are up to the usual average.

THE CLERGYMAN'S MAGAZINE sustains its level, which is not, however, a very high one. The principal item is Principal Moule's paper on 'Private Study of the Holy Scriptures.' The rest is chiefly homiletical.

THE SCOTTISH STANDARD-BEARER has a capital portrait and biographical sketch of the Dean of Moray, Ross, and Caithness, and many papers and articles, making it a very interesting and readable magazine.

IN THE GIRLS' OWN PAPER (R. T. S.) 'Averil' and 'Greyfriars' maintain their high standard as stories for young folk. 'Winnie's Waiting' is a touching and prettily-told tale, showing how 'patient hope is crowned' sometimes even in this world; and 'Mrs. Grey's Strange Silence' has a

strong moral as to the guilt of inventing or retailing slanders. 'Black and White Heroism,' and 'On being a Visiting Lady,' are the continuations of two series of papers, both very readable.

OUR OWN GAZETTE (Partridge & Co.) is a splendid pennyworth for girls. Competitions are constantly announced to suit all tastes, and the various writers of the stories, 'letters,' &c., seem quite in touch with their readers.

THE G. F. S. ASSOCIATES' JOURNAL AND ADVERTISER (Wells Gardner) has a good paper on 'Women Students,' but we are surprised that the author ignores the existence and the claims upon us for sympathy of one large body of young people—the girls who go through their difficult course in the various training colleges for teachers.

THE CHURCH MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCER (C. M. S. House) is very interesting. Mr. Drury's address on 'The Glory of the Lord,' Mr. Sutton's 'Experiences of an Association Secretary,' and Mr. Morris's 'Bible Translations,' may be specified as among the best contributions.

THE GLEANER and CHILDREN'S WORLD (C. M. S. House) are capital, as usual, the latter being a great advance even on the popular 'little green book,' of which it is the expansion; and we must again call our readers' attention to the new C. M. S. monthly, AWAKE! which is intended, not for children, but for giving to members of Bible classes, or of young men's and young women's associations, and other persons who have not yet acquired much knowledge of missions, or who have not leisure to peruse regularly the larger C. M. S. publications, a true idea of the Society's work. It is admirably suited for its purpose.

FRIENDLY WORK (Wells Gardner) opens with the true story of a little heroine of thirteen. There is also an account of the 'Gordon Boys' Home, Chobham, Woking,' and a sensible page of advice to soldiers' sweethearts from the Rev. T. F. Falkner, chaplain of the Forces, entitled 'Married Without Leave.'

OLD JONATHAN (Collingridge) is a little periodical, the editor of which, who tells us this month that he is eighty years of age, caters chiefly for those advanced in life, though he does not forget his younger friends. The magazine is especially suitable for country folk.

THE SUNDAY FRIEND (Mowbray & Co.) is a small publication for children, in which distinctive Church teaching is supplied.

THE GOSPELLER appears in two forms, one rather larger than the other. It has a High-Church tone, and aims at imparting plenty of information on ecclesiastical seasons, customs, &c., in a popular fashion.

THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' COMPANION (C. E. S. S. Institute) has two good continued stories, 'Pat's Inheritance,' and 'A Rose of Castile.' The Bible questions for senior and junior scholars are well chosen.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Mr. Sevier's Peals.

SIR,—In reply to Mr. Sevier's remarks last week, I would invite a comparison of Mr. Sevier's own words in *Church Bells*. Feb. 13th—'The peal referred to is not in three parts.' Feb. 27th—'The peal has two *even parts* and one *short part*.' The latter statement completely contradicts the former, and confirms my first letter. The peals in question, like many others, are no more Mr. Sevier's *than mine*; as the truth is they have been composed at least twenty times over, by as many different people, before Mr. Sevier started composing. As to abilities in composition, Mr. Sevier may remember sending me various peals of his in a much easier method to compose, and which I found to be hopelessly false. I have them by me now. I should like to add that an eminent composer in the eastern counties (personally unknown to me) has written to me privately, confirming the opinion I gave vent to; and in addition to this drawing my attention to the peal of Treble Ten which was not mentioned by me, but which was composed by the late Mr. John Cox, and taken part in by the gentleman I have alluded to nearly ten years ago.

W. T. PATES.

33 Victoria Place, Fairview, Cheltenham.

A Visit to SS. Peter and Paul's, Lavenham, Suffolk.

LATELY, on a Tuesday, the bells of the above church were rung at frequent intervals during the day by ringers who had assembled from various places—viz., Sudbury, Melford, Bildeston, Preston, Clare, Monks Eleigh, &c. A touch of 720 BOB MAJOR was rung in the morning by A. Symonds (Lavenham), 1; W. Howell (Sudbury), 2; H. Smith (Lavenham), 3; A. Long (Bildeston), 4; C. Jarvis (Lavenham), 5; W. Snell (Lavenham), 6; T. King (Lavenham), 7; C. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 8. Also in the afternoon the following rang a touch of 1056 BOB MAJOR:—W. Howell, 1; H. Smith, 2; D. Gridley (Clare), 3; W. Howell, jun., 4; W. Bacon (Sudbury), 5; A. Symonds, 6; T. King, 7; C. Sillitoe, 8. Shorter touches of BOB MAJOR and a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIBLES were also rung, and a touch of DOUBLE NORWICH BOB COURT MAJOR was also rung by W. Howell, jun., 1; T. King, 2; H. Smith, 3; C. Sillitoe, 4; H. Duce (Melford), 5; W. Bacon, 6; W. Howell, 7; A. Symonds, 8. All the ringing was conducted by Mr. Sillitoe. Weight of tenor, 24 cwt., in C sharp. The touch of BOB MAJOR, 1056, is the longest that Mr. Gridley of Clare has yet rung.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 262.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. John's, Waterloo Road, London.

ON Saturday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 52 mins. C. W. Winny (conductor), 1; E. Horrex, 2; F. L. Davies, 3; G. T. McLaughlin, 4; J. M. Hayes, 5; W. W. Gifford (Salisbury), 6; H. R. Newton, 7; A. W. Barkus, 8. Mr. Gifford's one hundredth peal, twenty-one of which have been rung on handbells retained in hand. Mr. Winny had the honour of calling his first peal on tower bells and his first peal on handbells.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Foxearth, Essex.

ON Saturday, the 21st ult., a mixed band of members of the Essex Association rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 55 mins. S. Slater (Glemsford), 1; W. Gridley (Foxearth), 2; W. Howell, sen. (Sudbury), 3; F. Wells (Glemsford), 4; C. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 5; A. J. Clarke (Stanstead), 6; C. Honeybell (Glemsford), 7; R. Brett (Stanstead), 8. The composition is in three parts, and has the sixth bell at home the last two course-ends in each part. Composed by Mr. D. Prentice, of Ipswich, and conducted by Mr. Sillitoe. This is the first peal in which Messrs. Clarke and Brett have taken part.

ON Monday, the 23rd ult., at the same church, the following members of the same Association rang a peal of 5152 BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 57 mins. S. Slater (Glemsford), 1; W. Gridley (Foxearth), 2; F. Wells (Glemsford), 3; W. Howell, jun. (Sudbury), 4; S. Evans (Foxearth), 5; D. Gridley (Clare), 6; C. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 7; R. Theobald (Stanstead), 8. Composed by Mr. E. Francis, of Norwich, and conducted by Mr. Sillitoe. The composition is in two parts, and the second and third bells are never in sixth's place at a course-end. The first peal that Messrs. Evans, Gridley (Clare), and Theobald have yet rung. It speaks well for the rising young ringers of the neighbourhood that eight of them have succeeded in ringing their first peal within the past four weeks.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung;—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GLEMSFORD, SUFFOLK.—On a Saturday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB. S. Slater (conductor), 1; Z. Slater, 2; D. Gridley (first 720 in the method), 3; F. Wells, 4; O. Garwood, 5; C. Honeybell, 6.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, DALTON-IN-FURNESS.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 BOB MINOR (16 bobs and 2 singles) in 25 mins. T. P. Jackson, 1; T. Townson, 2; J. Spencer, 3; T. Suart (first time as conductor), 4; T. Watson, 5; J. Burrows, 6.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, LONG MELFORD, SUFFOLK.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 336 and other touches of BOB MAJOR by a mixed band. J. Slater (Glemsford), 1; A. Ambrose (Melford), 2; D. Gridley (Clare), 3; S. Slater (Glemsford, conductor), 4; H. Duce (Melford), 5; H. Smith (Lavenham), 6; J. Bird (Melford), 7; A. Symonds (Lavenham), 8.

AT GLOUCESTER.—On a Thursday, at St. Mary-le-Crypt, for morning service, a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Rev. E. Bradley, 1; W. J. Sevier (conductor), 2; W. Pincock, 3; E. E. Bewick, 4; R. Brunsdon, 5; H. Mitchell, 6; J. Groves, 7; W. Downing, 8.—At St. Nicholas', 720 BOB MINOR in 25 mins. F. K. Howell, 1; W. C. Jones, 2; E. E. Bewick, 3; W. L. Brunsdon, 4; Rev. H. E. Cockey, 5; W. J. Sevier (conductor), 6. Tenor, 20 cwt.—At St. Michael's, on the same day, 560 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR. W. C. Jones, 1; R. J. Wilkins, 2; J. Austin, 3; H. Brown, 4; S. E. Romans, 5; W. L. Brunsdon, 6; Rev. H. E. Cockey, 7; W. J. Sevier (conductor), 8. A Five-course touch of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. E. E. Bewick, 1; H. Brown, 2; W. J. Sevier, 3; J. Austin, 4; S. E. Romans, 5; F. E. Hart, 6; G. Brunsdon, 7; W. Brunsdon, 8. And on Friday evening, the 30th ult., a quarter-peal of 1260 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 45 mins. E. E. Bewick, 1; R. J. Wilkins, 2; F. E. Hart, 3; W. C. Jones, 4; W. J. Sevier, 5; S. E. Romans (conductor), 6; W. L. Brunsdon, 7; J. Austin, 8. Tenor, 21 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, RADCLIFFE, LANCASHIRE.—On a Tuesday, 720 BOB MINOR in 26 mins. J. W. Handley, 1; W. S. Hutton, 2; A. Hardman, 3; T. Lund (Bury), 4; A. Barrett (conductor), 5; J. Hardman, 6. Tenor, 12 cwt.

AT ST. MARY'S, SWANAGE, DORSET.—On a Monday, for practice, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 47 mins. W. C. Lambert, 1; F. Holt, 2; G. White, 3; G. J. Williams, 4; W. H. Middleton, 5; W. J. Bastable, 6; L. H. Rose (conductor), 7; W. Farmer, 8. Tenor, 22 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, CAVENDISH, SUFFOLK.—On a Saturday, 720 BOB MINOR and 360 KENT TREBLE BOB. W. Lee, 1; S. Evans, 2; G. Green, 3; R. Inch, 4; C. Maxim, 5; G. Maxim (Foxearth, conductor), 6.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, FOXEARTH, ESSEX.—On a Monday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. W. Gridley, 1; W. Lee, 2; G. Green, 3; R. Inch, 4; S. Evans, 5; G. Maxim (conductor), 6. And on a Thursday, 720 BOB MINOR (thirty-two bobs and two singles). G. Maxim (conductor), 1; S. Evans, 2; W. Gridley, 3; W. Lee, 4; R. Inch, 5; G. Green, 6. Also on a Monday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB and 720 BOB MINOR. W. Gridley, 1; W. Lee, 2; G. Green, 3; R. Inch, 4; S. Evans, 5; G. Maxim (conductor), 6.

AT ST. MARGARET'S, HORSMONDEN, KENT.—On a Thursday, 720 BOB MINOR in 29 mins. T. Lambert, 1; J. Beech, 2; F. Butchers, 3; G. Hodge, 4; W. Lambert, 5; F. Lambert (conductor), 6. This is the first 720 by Messrs. Beech, Butchers, and Hodge, also the first by a local company. And on a Sunday, for Divine service, 360 and 720 in the same method, standing as before.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, BOCKING, ESSEX.—On a Friday, 720 BOB MINOR. F. Radley, 1; W. Moore, 2; F. Davey, 3; W. Bearman, 4; S. Sargent, 5; C. Bearman (conductor), 6. Also, on a Tuesday, 720 COURT SINGLE. F. Radley, 1; W. Moore, 2; F. Davey (Halstead—first 720 in the method), 3; W. Bearman, 4; S. Sargent, 5; C. Bearman (conductor), 6.

AT ST. NICHOLAS', GUILDFORD, SURREY.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, 1120 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 41 mins. M. Brown, 1; G. H. Croucher, 2; E. W. J. Rees, 3; T. H. Colburn, 4; J. J. Jones, 5; E. Heathorn, 6; F. Bennett (conductor), 7; W. Grove, 8. Tenor, 23 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GREAT WALDINGFIELD, ESSEX.—On Tuesday, the 24th ult., the members of the Great Waldingfield Company of Change-ringers met for practice, accompanied by Mr. W. Bumpstead, of Eye, and rang 720 BOB MINOR in 25 mins. R. Theobald, 1; W. Bumpstead, 2; J. Skiff, 3; W. Leeks, 4; W. Bantock, 5; H. Diggins (conductor), 6. Also 360 BOB MINOR. G. Bird (first 360), 1; R. Theobald, 2; J. Skiff, 3; W. Leeks, 4; W. Bantock, 5; H. Diggins (conductor), 6. Tenor, 14 cwt.

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CONSUMPTION—CASE NEAR KEIGHLEY (YORKS.).

It is just two years ago that this case was brought under my notice by Mr. JOSEPH COWGILL and Mr. RICHARD MOORHOUSE, both lay preachers connected with the Baptist Church at CONONLEY, near Keighley. They were exceedingly anxious about the patient. She had taken a small quantity of my medicine, and improved. 'She has been so useful in our church, and we are all anxious for her recovery.'

She had been ill for some months. Her breathing was now very bad. She could scarcely speak. Her appetite was quite gone. She was rapidly sinking. The doctor had given her up.

The patient (Miss BRIDEN, of CONONLEY) fully recovered her health.

In answer to recent enquiries Mr. R. Moorhouse writes me:—'Miss Briden, I am happy to say, is well and following her work. The case was a marvellous one, and watched with intense interest in this place. I have also to say that another member of our Church, who has been under your treatment, is able to attend again. The effect your medicine has had upon him is wonderful. We are thankful as a Church for the good you have done us.'—R. MOORHOUSE, Main-Street, Cononley.

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duction among us of deaconess' work, I take as an honourable inheritance the Winchester Deaconess' Home, and trust to see its multiplied inmates presently giving the benefit of their skilled and devout labours to all parts of the diocese, as well as to the important town which they are chiefly serving now.

'It is a secret hope of mine, which at present I must not press with too much emphasis or detail, to see the Priory Church of Christ Church worthily restored. At this moment, at the other end of Surrey, our hands are full enough with the rebuilding of the nave of glorious St. Saviour's. Last, but some of you may think not least, I should like to make it impossible for the historic Castle of Farnham ever to be alienated from St. Swithun's See. It is my distinct impression that before very long there will be a marked reaction in the minds of thoughtful Churchmen in favour of the historic See Houses of the Church of England. Should I, as time goes on, find it in my power, as it is already in my heart, to make that ancient and picturesque dwelling a centre of diocesan life, a meeting-place for Surrey and Hampshire and the Isle of Wight, and also of the Channel Islands, for worship and for council, and for rest, and for a simple hospitality—such as, in fact, it has been for many years before my time, and as I hope it may continue to be long after I am gone—I shall see in it at least one good reason for my having been sent to live in it; and so the day may never come when high-spirited Churchmen will feel keenly mortified by its passing into alien hands.

'Forgive these personal words. *Ἀρχὴ δεικνύει ἀνδρα*. A man's work can be neither better nor worse than the man himself. The day will declare it when it is done. You will watch it in the doing, and will be patient, and just, and even kindly. A man is stirred to his best work by sympathy far more than by criticism, though criticism of the right sort is a needful help. You will not expect me to do everything at once, but will even prefer that I should look round, and observe, and learn, and reflect, before acting. You will not be troubled if sometimes I have to say No. You will not resent it if occasionally I make precedents, instead of following traditions. If you think me slow in maturing conclusions, I do not think you will have cause to blame me for easily surrendering them. If I choose my duties, and prefer those which seem more immediately to belong to my office, it will simply be because I wish to live as long as I can—and to serve you as well as I can. The quality of work is surely as important as the quantity of it, and the right proportion of it has also to be considered.

'How much or how little I may be permitted to accomplish must rest with God. It is a lesson for you, as much as for me, that no one need desire to do more than He bids us do; no one need fear that of the good works which He has ordained for us that we should walk in them the very least should fall to the ground through lack of opportunity or of grace. It is a matter of profound satisfaction to me, as I am sure it will be to you, that I am assured of the experienced and indefatigable aid of the Bishop of Guildford, as Suffragan Bishop, and it will be a pity indeed if, with God's help and your hearty co-operation, we cannot make good account of the diocesan duty for some years to come. For both of us together, or even a dozen of us, without you with and behind us, would be powerless. We should be like two men in a wherry boat pulling against a freshet in the Mississippi. The diocese of Winchester will, I trust, ever continue to be what my sagacious predecessor first made it—a diocese in Council. Isolation means the weakness of the Bishop, the estrangement of the clergy, the indifference of the laity, the loss of the Church. It is also the subtle temptation of every man. Surely this is a diocese where practical statesmanship, commanding personal influence, and a marked, even enthusiastic, affection for the Church of England give us great advantages for considering, if not settling, general difficulties and problems with a wisdom and fulness which will earn respect outside. I, for one, have never forgotten that it was here that ten thousand pounds was raised for the endowment of the see of Rangoon. Coming from a diocese which, as I was told I should find it to be, is as different from this one as external circumstances could possibly make it—and you will readily pardon me if I confess that some of my heart still lingers there—I feel already to be in an atmosphere of missionary zeal and enterprise which is certain to welcome and promote that aggressive activity which can alone keep a Church alive by keeping it growing. I also earnestly invite, and confidently expect, your prayers—no one can tell how much I need them—that whenever I come among you, whatever the work given me to do, I may come always as the Apostle himself wished to come, in "the fulness of the blessing of the Gospel of Christ."

'For, my friends, this is not a day of promises, it is a day of prayer; it is no time for personal vaunting or much self commending, but of sincere and entire consecration of life and strength to God. Yet there is one thing, I think, I can promise you—safely promise you—now that I am to be your leader. I will try to be a cheery leader, and the colours in my keeping shall never droop sadly or feebly on the ground. This city of a thousand years—this shrine, so venerable, so majestic, so exquisitely adorned with its fair memorials of men who have made the Church famous and Winchester honourable; hallowed, too, with the

dust of forty-four Bishops, who have served and worshipped within these walls—should give by themselves an inspiration of hope and courage to the dullest and the most faint-hearted—make my own spirit swell with thankfulness and joy. It was the latest Bishop of a great northern See who said but a few years ago that it is History which gives courage. In Winchester, of all places in the world, Englishmen and Churchmen should have courage. When we remember what this very building has seen of war, and revolution, and change, and ambition, and spoliation, and dishonour, and yet has come out of it all, to be this day fairer and grander than ever; when some of us are hoping that over the Church, of which she is one of the most glorious of possessions, the clouds are at last breaking, and the things which many feared would be occasions of falling, look at least, as if under the good hand of our God, they may eventually be messages of peace, surely we may take heart, and being environed and protected as by a great cloud of witnesses, he will say, "God is in the midst of us, we shall not be moved; God shall help us, and that right early."

'Hope is the reward of true and stalwart duty, and faith grows through being exercised; and, as has been truly said, "A love of truth, and a love for men"—we may have as much of them as we please—are the two great forces of the Church. The majestic shrine behind me—look at it—may remind us all to-day, if with a solemn, impressive silence, that God never suffers His work to languish for want of workmen to do it. His Son is with us always, even unto the end of the world. Alfred and Walkelin, and Gifford, William of Wykeham and Waynflete, Isaac Walton and Ken, Fox and Lancelot Andrewes and John Keble, are voices to us out of Paradise—to whisper to you, to whisper to me, to whisper to the Church, all round us, "Fear not, but let your hands be strong!"' A. W.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL-RINGERS.

THE first meeting of the Central Council will be held on Easter Tuesday, March 31st, 1891, at the 'Inns of Court Hotel,' Holborn (Lincoln's Inn Fields entrance), at one o'clock precisely. Luncheon will be provided at 2s. 6d. a-head immediately after the meeting.

Members are requested to accept this invitation as final; in accordance with Rule XII. no further notice will be given.

AGENDA.

1. To elect a President and Hon. Secretary to serve for three years, in accordance with Rule VII.

Nominations.—For the office of President, A. P. Heywood; for the office of Hon. Secretary, E. F. Strange, F. E. Dawe, A. J. Thornton, G. F. Attree.

2. To elect hon. members, in accordance with Rules II. (2) and IV.

3. To decide whether Rule XI. shall be amended, so as to allow voting by proxy in the case of Societies returning more than one representative.

4. To decide whether a Standing Committee shall be formed, consisting of the President, Hon. Secretary, and five members, to adjudicate on any matters referred to it involving no general principle necessary to be referred to the whole Council.

5. To discuss whether a Committee shall be formed to draw up a body of advice, suggestions, and instructions on the treatment of bells and comfort of ringers: to be adopted as a report, and circulated through the medium of the various Societies, with the authority of the Council.

6. To discuss what steps shall be taken to obtain adequate recognition of the ringer's office and work at Church Congress.

7. To decide, and if possible define, what is essential to the performance of a true peal.

NOTE.—The specific resolutions will be laid before the meeting by their respective movers. It is deemed undesirable to publish them *in extenso*.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE Monthly Meeting of the Guild was held at Crossens on Saturday, Feb. 28th, and was attended by a large number of members from Aughton, Bootle, Crosby, Croston, Hindley, Sefton, and Southport, besides the local company. Ringing began at 3 p.m., and several touches were rung by the various mixed companies until 4.30 p.m., when service was held in the church and largely attended by the ringers. Appropriate hymns were sung, and an address was delivered by the Rev. W. T. Bulpit, after which the ringers sat down to tea, and ample justice was done to the good things provided; after which the business meeting was held, presided over by Mr. W. L. Hutton, who was supported by the Rev. W. T. Bulpit and Mr. J. Martin. The minutes of the last meeting was read and approved of, and one member joined; after which some good practical suggestions were brought forward and discussed. A hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman for presiding, and to the Rev. W. T. Bulpit for providing so excellent a tea, and for the use of the bells and school-room, brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

The Hertfordshire Association.

ANNUAL MEETING at St. Albans on Easter Monday. Further particulars next week. E. P. DEBENHAM, Hon. Sec.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 280.

The Essex Association.

THERE will be a District Meeting of the above at Southminster on Saturday, April 4th. The towers of Southminster (six bells) and Tillingham (six bells) will be open for ringing. A brake will meet the 2 p.m. train at Southminster to convey ringers to Tillingham. A meat tea will be provided at Southminster at 5.30 p.m. Ringers intending to be present should inform the Secretary not later than Easter Day. HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Hon. Sec.*

Great Totham Vicarage.

Mr. Sevier's Peals.

SIR,—In once more answering Mr. Pates' remarks concerning my peals, the gentleman in the eastern counties that he refers to did probably ring in a variation of my peal of Treble Ten. I should, if not taking too great a liberty, be obliged to that person if he would kindly send me when rung, and also the place, and where to find the composition in print. And, again, referring to his remarks about some of my compositions in an easy method being false, I will admit I did send one composition to him, but that was by mistake. When he says several peals, he is, I think, going rather past the mark. As I know he is a good friend of mine, I sent him one in its place at once, with the word *true* stamped across it. Not wishing to trespass again upon your valuable space,—I remain, yours obediently,

58 Westgate Street, Gloucester.

WILLIAM J. SEVIER.

The Death of a London Ringer.

WE regret to have to announce the death of Charles Joseph Clarkson, a member of the Royal Cumberland Youths, which took place on the 3rd inst., after a very brief illness, at the early age of thirty-four. The funeral took place at Manor Park Cemetery on the 10th inst. The service, which was very impressive, was conducted by the Rev. R. H. U. Bloor at St. Sepulchre's Church, Holborn, being attended by a large number of ringers and friends. Mr. Bloor then accompanied the remains to the cemetery, and conducted the service at the grave, the coffin being carried by the assistance of H. Scarlett and F. A. Nunn, members of the Royal Cumberland Youths. A course of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung on handbells at the graveside by Messrs. W. H. Moore, 1-2; W. D. Matthews, 3-4; D. Lovett, 5-6; H. Scarlett, 7-8. In the evening the bells of St. Sepulchre's were muffled, and the usual whole-pull-and-stand was rung by the following members of the Royal Cumberland Youths:—G. Wylde, 1; H. Scarlett, 2; A. W. Vincent, 3; W. H. Moore, 4; G. Ganes, 5; G. P. Watkins, 6; W. D. Matthews, 7; F. A. Nunn, 8; J. H. Wheeler, 9; T. Lewis, 10. Various other touches were rung with the assistance of Mr. D. Lovett, Mr. John Nelms, and others.

It is intended to open a subscription for the wife and family of Mr. Clarkson. Subscriptions will be thankfully received by Mr. D. Lovett, 130 St. John Street, Clerkenwell; and Mr. H. Scarlett, Church Lane, Walthamstow. They will be acknowledged in this paper.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At Holy Trinity, Long Melford Suffolk.

ON Saturday evening, the 28th ult., the following members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers rang a peal of 5248 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 11 mins. C. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 1; W. Howell, sen. (Sudbury), 2; A. Papworth (Stanstead), 3; A. Symonds (Lavenham), 4; H. Smith (Lavenham), 5; F. Wells (Glensford), 6; S. Slater (Glensford), 7; H. Harpur (Sudbury), 8. The above peal is in one part, and contains the 4th and 6th bells their extent each way in 5-6, and also the 5th bell its extent at home. Composed by Mr. A. Knights of Chesterfield, and conducted by Mr. Sillitoe. Mr. Knights sent the composition to Mr. Sillitoe, expressing a desire that it should be rung somewhere in the neighbourhood of Sudbury, as it is an entirely new peal, and has not been rung anywhere before. This is Mr. Papworth's first peal, and he was elected a member of the Essex Association on this occasion, being proposed by Mr. Sillitoe, and seconded by Mr. Slater.

At St. Giles's, Cripplegate, City of London.

ON Tuesday, the 3rd inst., twelve members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang HALEY'S peal of 5016 STEDMAN CINQUES in 3 hrs. 49 mins. J. Pettit (conductor), 1; W. Burkin, 2; G. J. Smith, 3; S. E. Joyce, 4; H. Springall, 5; H. R. Newton, 6; A. S. Barrell, 7; R. French, 8; A. W. Barkus, 9; W. Davis* (Liverpool), 10; W. T. Cockerill,* 11; E. Horrex, 12. Tenor, 36 cwt. [* First peal of STEDMAN CINQUES.]

At St. Nicholas', Arundel, Sussex.

ON Tuesday, the 3rd inst., the following members of the Sussex County Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 43 mins. W. Charman, 1; J. Staples, 2; F. Luxford, 3; G. Williams (conductor), 4; C. Blackman, 5; H. H. Chandler, 6; G. Balchin, 7; A. Mills, 8. This peal was rung to celebrate the silver wedding of Mr. Blackman. Messrs. Charman and Chandler came from Warnham; Staples from Havant; Williams from Brighton; the rest are local men. Tenor, 14½ cwt., in E.

At St. Paul's, Shadwell, London.

ON Saturday, the 7th inst., a peal of 5088 TREBLE BOB MAJOR (in the KENT Variation) was rung in 3 hrs. 5 mins. by the following members of the Ancient Society of College Youths:—J. Pettit, 1; S. E. Joyce, 2; W. Burkin, 3; York Green, 4; E. Hall, 5; H. Torble, 6; H. Springall, 7; S. Hayes, 8. Composed by Mr. Y. Green, and conducted by Mr. Springall. Rung as a birthday peal, H. Springall having completed his 28th year on the 8th.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. MARY'S, WALTHAMSTOW, ESSEX.—On a Saturday, eight members of the Essex Association attempted a peal of BOB MAJOR, but after ringing two teads over the half-way single, 'stand' was called, owing to the heavy work-

ing of the tenor. H. Freeman, 1; G. Grimwage, 2; H. Nunn, jun., 3; J. Nunn, 4; R. Maynard, 5; F. A. Nunn, 6; R. Pearson, 7; H. Scarlett (conductor), 8.

AT RINGSTEAD, NORTHEANTS.—On Tuesday, March 3rd, a muffled-peal was rung as a last token of respect to the memory of Mr. Thomas Ball, who died on the 27th February, at the age of seventy-two. Deceased had been foreman of the ringers for upwards of fifty years, and they bore him to the grave.

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CHRONIC AFFECTION OF THE LEFT LUNG WITH NERVOUS DEBILITY.

Such cases under ordinary treatment are difficult to deal with. All the vital functions suffer. The distressing symptoms are many, and when some are better, others appear.

The young man whose case is mentioned was more or less under my treatment for two years.

When first applying to me eight years ago, he had had a cough for twelve months; pains in the chest and side for six months; the heart and lungs were in a very weak state; the action of the heart irregular and feeble; the nervous debility and prostration from which he then suffered had been aggravated by much study; the digestive organs were much impaired.

Beside six personal interviews, there were twenty-nine letters. The advice from time to time was duly followed, and the recovery was at last complete.

In proof of this, in a letter dated 17th December last, the patient writes:—'Let me again thank you for your kind treatment. There is no doubt that you saved my life. It is now about six years since I took a dose of medicine; and that alone will prove that I was perfectly cured.'

—JOHN S. COLLIS, Loddon Bridge, Gillingham, Dorset.'

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THE Annual Meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. The Cathedral and St. Peter's towers will be open for ringing from 10 a.m. until 12.30 p.m., and in the afternoon from 3.30. Special service at St. Peter's Church at 12.45, with an Address by the Archdeacon of St. Albans. Members are asked to make an effort to be present at this service. Dinner at the Corn Exchange at 1.30 (cost to members 1s. 9d. each), followed by a meeting for the election of officers and general business. Mr. J. C. Mitchell's proposition, as to the adoption of an Office for use by the Association, will come on for discussion. Cheap tickets to members on the Great Northern line, and trains will be run at excursion fares from London by the Midland and Great Northern lines; for particulars see Companies' advertisements. Members and visitors intending to be present at the dinner are earnestly requested to so inform me not later than Wednesday, March 25th, in order that due provision may be made for catering, &c.

St. Albans.

E. P. DEBENHAM, Hon. Sec.

The Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

THE Annual Meeting of this Association will be held in the Chapter House, Worcester Cathedral, on Easter Monday, March 30th. Committee meeting at 1.30 prompt, general meeting at 2.30 prompt. The cathedral tower will not be open for ringing. The Hon. Secretary will be pleased to receive a list of names of each company in union at this meeting from those local secretaries who have not sent them.

JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec.

37 Simms Lane, Netherton, near Dudley.

The Midland Counties' Association.

BURTON-ON-TRENT DISTRICT.—The annual meeting for the election of officers was held on Thursday, the 19th ult., the Vice-President, the Rev. F. H. Beaven, in the chair. The following officers were all re-elected:—Vice-President, Rev. F. H. Beaven; District Secretary, Arthur Wakley; Committee, Messrs. L. Bullock and H. Wakley. Address of District Secretary, 125 Victoria Crescent.

The Lancashire Association.

BLACKBURN BRANCH.—On Saturday, the 28th ult., a meeting of the above branch was held at Padiham, when representatives were present from Blackburn, Church, Colne, Burnley, and Padiham. The business meeting was held in the belfry at six o'clock, presided over by the Rev. W. G. Sayer, M.A., when it was decided to hold the next meeting at Hoghton, on Saturday, April 11th. Votes of thanks to the Vicar, Churchwardens, Chairman, and ringers of Padiham, terminated the meeting, after which several touches of BOB MINOR were rung.

MANCHESTER BRANCH.—The usual Monthly Meeting of the above Branch was held at the Parish Church, Eccles, on Saturday, the 7th inst., when members attended from Manchester, Worsley, Swinton, Pendlebury, Rusholme, Haughton, and Flixton, besides the local company. The business meeting was held in the Mission Room, presided over by the Rev. J. Santisford, who made a brief but appropriate address to the members present (about forty). The Rev. H. J. Elsee (President of the Association, and one of the representatives on the Central Council) then invited discussion among the members regarding certain business to be transacted at the coming meeting of the Central Council. This being disposed of, it was decided to hold the next meeting at St. Ann's, Haughton, on Saturday, April 11th. During the evening touches were rung in the following methods:—BOB MAJOR, TREBLE BOB MAJOR, DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN TRIPLES. Votes of thanks being accorded to the reverend gentleman for presiding, and to the Vicar and Wardens for the use of the bells and school-room, brought a very successful meeting to a close.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.—The usual Monthly Meeting was held at the church of St. John the Baptist, Tue Brook, near Liverpool, on Saturday, the 7th inst., when about twenty ringers attended from Liverpool, Garston, Walton, and Southport. The Vicar presided at the business meeting in the Institute at 6 p.m., in a brief speech welcomed the Association, and said he was pleased to find such an organization was formed for the good of ringers. Two new members were enrolled.

The Leeds and District Amalgamated Society.

THE usual monthly ringing meeting of the above Society was held at Rothwell on Saturday, the 28th ult. Members attended from Leeds, Holbeck, Headingley, Calverley, and Rothwell; and touches of OXFORD and KENT TREBLE BOB and BOB MAJOR were rung, followed by touches of OXFORD BOB, CANTERBURY PLEASURE MINOR, DUKE OF YORK, WOODBINE, and VIOLET TREBLE BOB MINOR. A vote of thanks to the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells, and to the Rothwell Company for their arrangements, brought a pleasant meeting to a close.

The Middlesex Association.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., a successful District Meeting was held at St. Stephen's, Hampstead. About twenty-five members attended from Finchley, Hendon, Tottenham, Gospel Oak, Stoke Newington, and Hadley. Touches of GRANDSIRE CATERS, TRIPLES, STEDMAN TRIPLES, and a plain course of BOB ROYAL were rung. At the conclusion of the practice a General Meeting was held, at which Mr. G. B. Lucas, of Tottenham, Master of the Association,

was unanimously elected to represent them on the Central Council, and a resolution passed that his travelling and other expenses should be defrayed out of the funds of the Association. Seven new members were then enrolled. A vote of thanks to the Vicar (the Rev. J. Kirkman) for kindly permitting the use of the tower terminated the proceedings at 9 p.m., and the company separated after having spent an enjoyable three hours in the belfry. It is to be hoped that arrangements may be made for periodical meetings for practice at St. Stephen's, and that the tower may in time become one of the centres of the Association.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

No other meeting of the Guild will be held until the Annual Meeting, of which due notice will be given.

REV. W. T. BULPIT, } Hon. Secs.
W. BENTHAM, }

Death of a Ringer.

WE regret to announce that William Andrew D'Arcy died on the 1st inst. in his sixty-third year. He was a devoted ringer for over forty years, and a member of the local Bell-ringers' Association. On the 4th inst., the day of the funeral, a muffled peal was rung at St. Mary's Parish Church, Newark, as a last token of respect to his memory.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At Christ Church, Southgate, London.

ON Thursday, the 26th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 20 mins. W. W. Thorne, 1; W. Short, 2; J. Barber, 3; G. Moy, 4; E. T. Edridge (first peal of TREBLE BOB), 5; A. Pittam, 6; E. Chapman, 7; G. Newson, 8. Composed by H. Dains and conducted by G. Newson. Tenor, 25 cwt. Mr. Moy came from Aylsham, Norfolk, was elected a member before starting, and it is his first peal in the KENT Variation. The composition has the 6th the extent home at the last six course-ends, and the second bell never in 6th's place at the course-ends.

On Saturday, the 28th ult., at the same church, eight members of the above Society rang a peal of 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 17 mins. E. T. Edridge,* 1; H. Dains, 2; W. Short, 3; B. Foskett, 4; C. Martin,* 5; A. Pittam, 6; J. Barber, 7; G. Newson, 8. Composed by the Rev. H. Earle-Bulwer, and conducted by G. Newson. The composition, in two equal parts, has the 4th and 6th only in 6th's place, the 6th the extent at home, and is now rung for the first time. [* First peal in the method.]

ON Saturday, the 7th inst., the following members of the above Society rang a peal of 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 16 mins. W. W. Thorne, 1; H. Dains, 2; W. Short, 3; H. A. Hopkins, 4; A. Pittam, 5; E. Chapman, 6; A. Jacob, 7; G. Newson, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt. Composed by George Newson, and conducted by Arthur Jacob. First peal in the method by W. W. Thorne; also his fiftieth peal.

At St Michael's, Aylsham, Norfolk.

ON Monday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association rang N. J. Pitstow's peal of 5280 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 14 mins. A. J. Neale, 1; G. Howchin, 2; G. Moy, 3; F. J. Howchin, 4; J. Moy (first peal), 5; F. H. Knights, jun., 6; J. Skinner, 7; F. Knights, sen. (conductor), 8. Tenor, 20 cwt.

At Salisbury, Wilts.

ON Wednesday, the 4th inst., four members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang, on handbells retained in hand, a peal of 5152 BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 25 mins. R. W. J. Gollop, 1-2; W. S. Wise, 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; H. D. Adams, 7-8. Composed by Mr. Washbrook, and conducted by Mr. Adams.

At Christ Church, Oldbury, Worcestershire.

ON Monday, the 9th inst., the following members of the Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 49 mins. T. Horton, 1; W. Long, 2; W. R. Small, 3; S. Spittle,* 4; W. Micklewright,* 5; R. Hall, 6; T. Reeves, 7; J. Hall, 8. This peal, which is now rung for the first time, is Thurstans' Five-part reversed, by A. P. Heywood, Esq., so as to bring the 7th at home at each course-end. [* First peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES.]

At Holy Trinity, Coalbrookdale, Salop.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., the following members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild (Shropshire Division) rang Hol's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 6 mins.:—W. Price, 1; W. H. Warren, 2; A. Wale,* 3; W. H. Fussell (conductor), 4; J. Overton, 5; W. Morgan,* 6; A. D. Bradburn,* 7; J. E. Hall, 8. Tenor, 19 cwt. 2 qrs. 10 lbs., in E flat. The first peal in the method on the bells, also by those marked *. It is the first peal by the treble and tenor men, also by members of the Shropshire division of the Guild. Rang on the birthday of W. H. Warren, upon which he was congratulated. Permission was kindly given by the Vicar, the Rev. H. Harries, B.A.

At the Parish Church, Kettering, Northants.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., a peal of 5152 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR was rung by eight members of the Bedfordshire Association of Change-ringers in 3 hrs. 35 mins. C. W. Clarke (conductor), 1; S. J. Cullip, 2; F. Sharp, 3; S. Constant, 4; F. Gilbert, 5; H. Sharpe, 6; J. N. Frossell, 7; I. Hills, 8. Tenor, 23 cwt. 2 qrs., in D.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 302.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. PAUL'S, BEDFORD.—On a Sunday, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. Jones (St. Neots), 1; F. Keech, 2; S. Constant, 3; S. J. Cullip, 4; I. Hills, 5; M. Warwick, 6; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 7; W. Baldwin, 8. Also 288 and 112 BOB MAJOR. And on a Monday, on handbells, 720 BOB MINOR (eighteen bobs and two singles) in 16 mins. M. Warwick, 1-2; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 3-4; H. Sharp, 5-6. Also on a Thursday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR (nine bobs). M. Warwick, 1-2; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 3-4; W. G. Biggs, 5-6.

AT ST. HELEN'S, ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On a Monday evening, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung, with the bells half muffled, in 75 mins. by H. Canner, J. H. Dunmore, W. Liggins, W. Owen, T. Jacques, A. Hitchcock, W. Canner (conductor), and J. Curtis; and on a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 48 mins. by G. Hatton, J. H. Dunmore, W. Liggins, W. Owen, H. Canner, A. Hitchcock, W. Canner (conductor), and T. Jacques, as a tribute of respect to the memory of Edward Frederick Mammatt, Esq., of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, who died on February 6th, and was buried on the 9th, at the cemetery, Ashby-de-la-Zouch. Mr. Mammatt was an honorary member of the Ashby-de-la-Zouch Parish Church Society of Change-ringers, and had taken a deep interest in the welfare of the Society since its formation in 1886; he was also an honorary member of the Midland Counties' Association of Change-ringers.

AT HOLY TRINITY, HURSTPIERPOINT, SUSSEX.—On a Saturday, eight members of the Sussex County Association and the St. Peter's Society, Brighton, visited the church and attempted a peal of 5056 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, which was unfortunately lost after ringing for 2 hrs. 45 mins. J. Jay, sen., 1; J. R. Reilley, 2; A. A. Fuller, 3; E. C. Merrett, 4; G. A. King, 5; G. Williams, 6; H. Weston (conductor), 7; G. F. Attree, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. This is the longest length of MAJOR on the bells.

AT ST. PETER'S, BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday, for afternoon service 416 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. T. Linfield, 1; C. Tyler, 2; G. A. King, 3; H. Weston, 4; G. Williams (conductor), 5; A. A. Fuller, 6; J. Batts, 7; G. F. Attree, 8. And for evening service 1248 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 44 mins. J. Batts, 1; A. A. Fuller, 2; G. F. Attree, 3; T. Linfield, 4; G. King, 5; J. Jay, 6; G. Williams, 7; H. Weston (conductor), 8. T. Linfield came from Angmering; C. Tyler, Steyning.

AT ST. PAUL'S, WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.—On a Tuesday evening, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR were rung for practice in 25 mins. W. Denner (conductor), 1; Jno. Potter, 2; J. Denner, 3; J. Williamson, 4; J. Welsby (Worsley), 5; J. Brookes, 6. Also on a Sunday evening, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR before service in 24½ mins. J. Brookes (conductor), 1; Jno. Potter, 2; J. Worthington, 3; J. Williamson, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; W. Denner, 6. On a Monday evening, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR were rung in honour of the 43rd birthday of Mr. Denner, oldest ringer of the band. W. Denner (conductor), 1; Jno. Potter, 2; J. Denner, 3; J. Worthington, 4; J. Williamson, 5; Jos. Potter, 6. On a Thursday evening, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR (thirty bobs and thirty singles) were rung in 25 mins. J. Worthington (conductor), 1; Jno. Potter, 2; Jno. Denner, 3; J. Williamson, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; J. Brookes, 6. Also on a Sunday, 720 BOB MINOR (eighteen bobs and two singles), in 25 mins. J. Brookes, 1; J. Worthington, 2; J. Denner, 3; S. Oakes, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; W. Denner (conductor), 6. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, ERITH, KENT.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of UNION TRIPLES in 42 mins. C. Barber, 1; F. Hunter, 2; T. Saxby, 3; A. Peill, 4; F. Cullum, 5; J. Garard, 6; H. Gibbs (conductor); 7; G. Cullum, 8. Messrs. Saxby, Peill, and Gibbs came from Crayford; the rest are local men.

AT SWANSCOMBE, KENT.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, 720 BOB MINOR. A. Fuller (first 720), 1; M. Digby, 2; F. Ring, 3; W. Martin, 4; J. Broom, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6. On a Monday, for practice, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. L. Digweed, 1; R. Munn (first in the method), 2; F. Ring, 3; F. Hayes, 4; J. Broom, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6.

AT HASLINGDEN, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday afternoon, for Divine service a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 4 mins. G. H. Ashworth, 1; G. E. Rollerson, 2; W. Howarth, 3; J. H. Banks, 4; E. Nuttall (composer and conductor), 5; J. Smith, 6; J. Ramsbottom, 7; W. H. Heys, 8. Longest length by W. H. Heys, who belongs to Haslingden; the rest came from Rawtenstall, except Banks, from Helmshore.

AT ST. PETER'S, WOKING, SURREY.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 768 in four MINOR methods, being 192 each of OXFORD SINGLE, CANTERBURY PLEASURE, GRANDSIRE, and BOB MINOR, in 30 mins. G. W. Furlonger, 1; A. J. W. Purdue, 2; C. B. Ryde, 3; W. C. Ryde (conductor), 4; F. C. Ryde, 5; F. Arnold, 6. Tenor, 20½ cwt. The longest length in four MINOR methods by the band.

AT ST. MARY'S, STONE NEWINGTON.—On a Tuesday, for practice, 720 BOB MINOR. H. Spencer, 1; G. Jones, 2; F. Howard, Esq., 3; H. Scarlett (conductor), 4; W. Waterman (first 720 inside), 5; F. A. Nunn, 6. Also on a Tuesday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB. H. Scarlett (conductor), 1; F. A. Nunn (first 720 in the method), 2; F. Howard, Esq., 3; G. Smith, 4; J. Barry, 5; E. Edridge, 6.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S, GLOUCESTER.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, by the JUNIORS, a quarter-peal (1296 changes) of DUFFIELD MAJOR. E. E. Bewick, 1; F. E. Hart, 2; S. E. Romans, 3; W. C. Jones, 4; J. Austin, 5; G. C. Brunson, 6; W. J. Sevier, 7; W. H. Brunson (conductor), 8. Tenor, 21 cwt.

AT ST. MARY'S, CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.—On a Saturday, a date touch of GRANDSIRE CATERS in 1 hr. 7 mins. Composed by John Carter, of Birmingham. R. C. Burrell, 1; W. Rowland, jun., 2; W. Rowland, sen., 3; W. Lincoln, 4; G. Green, 5; W. Hawkes, 6; W. Richell, 7; Rev. T. L. Papillon, 8; A. Edwards (conductor), 9; W. J. Piper, 10. Tenor, 22 cwt. Rev. T. L. Papillon and W. Lincoln came from Writtle; Messrs. Green and Richell, Great Baddow; Piper and Edwards, Widford; Hawkes, Springfield; the rest belong to the St. Mary's Company.

CORRECTION.—In list of names of those nominated for Honorary Secretaryship of Central Council, Mr. Thornton's initials should be 'F. W.' not 'A. J.'

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AN ARROW SHOT AT BLASPHEMY. By James Davis. (London: John Kensit. 1s. 6d.)—An anti-ritualistic tirade.

HELP FOR THE TEMPTED. (London: S.P.C.K. 1s.)—The Baptismal vow, in its three divisions of Renunciation, Faith, and Obedience, expanded and explained. Very well done.

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THE HEARING HEART (1 Kings, iii. 9). By Anna Shipton. (London: James Nisbet & Co. 1890. 1s. 6d.)—A record of spiritual experiences and trials, mostly from the Evangelical standpoint. Some of them are striking, and may be helpful to the struggling and the tempted.

HINTS ON THE ART OF CATECHISING. A posthumous work of the Ven. Archdeacon Bather. (London: S.P.C.K. 1s. 4d.)—We commend the study of this little book to those who have to practise that most difficult of all arts—catechising well and profitably, two qualifications not always combined.

HOLY TEACHINGS IN NATURE. From the French of Monseigneur de la Boullerie, bishop of Carcassone. Part II. (London: Mowbray & Co. 2s.)—Treats with some amount of ingenuity, and not unprofitably, of the symbolism of the animals of Scripture.

LILY LEAVES. A few Sacred Acrostics from the Poets. Collected and arranged by M. S. S. (London: Griffith, Farran, Okeden, & Welsh.)—This forms a companion volume to the collection of secular acrostics by the same editor entitled *Holly Berries*. The acrostics are made up of verses taken from a great variety of sources, and prizes are offered, one of 2*l.*, ten of 10*s.*, for the best answers, names of poets, and suggested emendations. Such a volume cannot be called in any sense a contribution to literature; but as a gift-book it is perfectly harmless, and makes an appeal to that same large class of persons who find mental sustenance in such publications as *Tit-Bits*.

IRELAND.

THE Dean of Ross is about to have a new porch placed at the western door of Ross Cathedral. It is to be a copy of the entrance of Cormac's Chapel on the Rock of Cashel.

A handsome canopy work over the stalls in Armagh Cathedral has been erected, which greatly improves the appearance of the Cathedral. The throne has also been enlarged, and a memorial plate placed on it, showing that it has been erected by the Beresford trustees to the glory of God and the memory of the late Beresford Hope.

The Rev. Prebendary John Bourke, M.A., prebendary of St. Patrick in Waterford Cathedral, and fifty-four years vicar of Kilmenden, Waterford, has died in his seventy-ninth year.

On Sunday week last about 800 members of the Church of Ireland and others assembled on Arklow platform to welcome the Rev. R. C. Hallows, the rector, and the Rev. J. W. Harrison, his curate, who, having been imprisoned in Wexford gaol for fourteen days for street preaching, were liberated. The two gentlemen were heartily received, and afterwards an open-air service was held. It is felt by many that Mr. Hallows can serve no good end by continuing the open-air services which have provoked the Roman Catholics to such outrageous behaviour as we have from time to time mentioned. Although most members of the Church heartily sympathise with him in his struggle for the principle involved, it is nevertheless felt that it is a greater evil to persist in it in the circumstances than to abandon it. He has done and borne so much in the contest that he can well retreat from it, especially as the law, to which he looked for support, not only not protects him, but is actually a means of persecuting him.

In the Lady Chapel of St. Patrick's Cathedral, beautiful marble steps have been erected round the Holy Table, and the space at top laid with tiles of the same kind as those in the body of the Cathedral. The steps are of Cork red marble. This work was the result of a collection made some years ago, supplemented by a gift from a generous subscriber to the Cathedral funds. There has also been fixed to the peal of bells an elaborate chiming apparatus, which enables one bell-ringer to ring a chime for the daily service by means of hammers suspended beneath the bells, while the bells are swung as usual for the chimes on Sunday afternoon.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

THE report for 1890 is now ready. The late Secretary, however, has not left any list of subscribers' addresses. Those members of the Guild, therefore, who are life subscribers, and who live at a distance, will do well to write at once to me. (Rev.) R. H. HART-DAVIES.

Dunsden Vicarage, Reading.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Peter's, St. Albans, Herts.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., eight members of the Hertfordshire Association and the St. Peter's Society rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 56 mins. W. T. Waller (first peal), 1; J. W. Brewer, 2; E. Hull, 3; H. Brewer, 4; E. P. Debenham (conductor), 5; W. H. L. Buckingham, 6; W. Battle, 7; D. Gibbons, 8. Rung in honour of the opening of the new Sunday School and Parish Room in connexion with the church.

At St. Mary's, Widford, Essex.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., eight members of the Essex Association rang J. J. Parker's peal of 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 57 mins. R. E. Burrell, 1; W. Lincoln (conductor), 2; W. Rowland, sen., 3; J. Dains, 4; A. Edwards, 5; A. Tarbun, 6; W. J. Piper, 7; E. W. Houghton, 8. Tenor, 12 cwt. The first peal in the method by all the band, and the first in the method on the bells.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Aston, Birmingham.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., ten members of the St. Martin's Guild rang Johnson's peal of 5029 STEDMAN CATERERS in 3 hrs. 20 mins. J. Day, 1; C. Dickens, 2; T. Russam, 3; F. Dickens, 4; A. J. Jones, 5; A. Roberts, 6; B. Mitchell (conducted), 7; C. Stanbridge, 8; W. Kent, 9; W. Jackson, 10. Tenor, 24 cwt. The above peal is in the inverted Tittum position, and was rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late James Even, who died on March 3rd. He was for many years warden of the above church, and a member of the St. Martin's Guild.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Croydon, Surrey.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., nine members of the Surrey Association rang Morris's Six-part peal of 5040 BOB TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 11 mins. A. E. Collins, 1; E. Bennett, 2; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 3; H. Brooker (conductor), 4; T. Verrall, 5; G. Burt, 6; W. Hill, 7; H. Dudley (first peal) and A. Arnold, 8. Tenor, 32 cwt. First peal in the method by all except the ringers of the 2nd and 3rd; also the first peal in the method on the bells.

At St. Martin's, Birmingham.

ON Tuesday, the 17th inst., twelve members of the St. Martin's Guild rang a peal of 5040 DUFFIELD MAXIMUS in 3 hrs. 56 mins. T. Reynolds, 1; J. Joyne, 2; T. Russam, 3; H. Bastable, 4; W. Kent, 5; A. P. Heywood, Esq. (composer and conductor), 6; J. Griffin, 7; B. Witchell, 8; J. Buffery, 9; J. Howe, 10; A. Thomas, 11; W. Wakley, 12. Tenor, 36 cwt., in C. This is the first peal of MAXIMUS in the method. With the exception of the DOUBLE NORWICH rung in 1817, it is the only peal of MAXIMUS yet achieved in any but the common methods. It is also the first peal of MAXIMUS by the ringers of the 6th, 7th, 10th, and tenor bells.

At St. George's-in-the-East, London.

ON Saturday, the 21st inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstan's peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 25 mins. S. E. Joyce, 1; H. Springall, 2; M. A. Wood, 3; J. Pettit (conductor), 4; E. Wallage, 5; E. Horrex, 6; J. M. Hayes, 7; J. J. Scholes, 8. Tenor, 30 cwt. Rung on the twenty-third anniversary of S. E. Joyce's birthday, and was the first peal in the method on the bells.

At the Parish Church, Wigan, Lancashire.

ON Saturday, the 21st inst., on the occasion of the Bishop of Liverpool's annual Confirmation, after the service was rung Mr. John Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 5 mins. R. Fisher (first peal as conductor), 1; C. C. Turner, 2; J. E. Gummerson, 3; G. Turner, 4; F. Hall, 5; S. Hall, 6; E. Bentham and J. Barker (first peal), 7; A. Shaw and J. Meadow, 8. Tenor, 28 cwt., in C. Witnessed and certified correct by Mr. Thomas Halliwell, instructor, and foreman of the tower.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung;—

AT ST. MARTIN'S, SALISBURY.—On a Sunday, 1260 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 40 mins. W. W. Giffard, 1; W. M. Lush, 2; G. F. Doel (longest touch with a bob-bell), 3; R. W. J. Gollop, 4; S. Macy, 5; W. S. Wise (conductor), 6; H. D. Adams, 7; W. C. Dawe, 8. Composed by Mr. Hoppood, of Reading.

AT ST. MARTIN'S, TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On Monday, the 16th inst., by members of the Association for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Association, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR in 28 mins. B. Gough, 1; H. Mills, 2; W. Micklewright, 3; S. Jesson, 4; S. Spittle, 5; W. R. Small (conductor), 6. Also, 378 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. W. R. Small, 1; F. G. Horton, 2; A. H. Hill, 3; W. Micklewright, 4; H. Mills, 5; S. Jesson, 6; S. Spittle (conductor), 7; B. Gough, 8. 210

GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. W. R. Small, 1; B. Gough, 2; S. Jesson, 3; W. Micklewright (conductor), 4; A. Jones, 5; A. H. Hill, 6; S. Spittle, 7; H. Mills, 8. 420 STEDMAN TRIPLES. W. R. Small (conductor), 1; B. Gough, 2; S. Jesson, 3; H. Mills, 4; A. H. Hill, 5; W. Micklewright, 6; S. Spittle, 7; A. Jones, 8. Also, a course of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR. B. Gough, 1; H. Mills, 2; A. H. Hill, 3; E. Goodreds, 4; S. Jesson, 5; W. Micklewright, 6; W. R. Small, 7; S. Spittle, 8. Tenor, 12 cwt. 25 lbs.

AT ST. LAWRENCE'S, READING, BERKS.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 1080 BOB ROYAL in 45 mins. W. Holloway, 1; J. Potter (conductor), 2; W. J. Williams, 3; C. Foxell, 4; E. Menday, 5; E. Heathorn, 6; A. Goddard, 7; W. Goseltine, 8; W. Newell, 9; T. Hibbert, 10. Tenor, 24 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, BUCKLAND, SURREY.—On a Sunday, 362 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. A. Holman, 1; G. Allen, 2; F. Sanders, 3; R. Holman, 4; W. Sadler (conductor), 5. Also 240 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. A. Holman, 1; G. Allen, 2; W. Sadler, 3; R. Holman, 4; F. Sanders (conductor), 5.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, DUCKLINGTON, OXON.—On a Tuesday afternoon, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR (thirty-eight bobs and twenty-two singles). J. Thompson (first 720), 1; H. J. Fisher, 2; N. Spindlow (first 720 with a bob-bell), 3; H. Druce, 4; J. Fisher, 5; J. H. Fisher (conductor), 6.

AT BUSHLEY, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On a Monday evening some members of the Tewkesbury Abbey Society visited this place and rang 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. R. H. Witherington, 1; S. Cleal, 2; J. Devereux, 3; J. Hale, 4; J. Wathen, 5; Jos. Wathen (conductor), 6. And a peal of STEDMAN DOUBLES, in which Messrs. Austin, Taylor, and C. Jones accomplished their first peal (120) in that method upon the tower bells.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, WOOLTON, LANCASHIRE.—On a Tuesday, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (1891 changes) in 1 hr. 12 mins. H. Richardson, 1; G. Hyslop, 2; R. Roughley, 3; H. Fyles, 4; R. Leather, 5; P. Ball, 6; T. Kay (conductor), 7; J. Edwards, 8. Composed by E. Nuttall, of Rawtenstall. Tenor, 20 cwt., in E.

AT ALL SOULS', HALIFAX, YORKS.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a date touch of 1891 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 1 hr. 14 mins. H. Reynolds, 1; A. Stead, 2; F. Salmons, 3; J. S. Ambler, 4; G. H. C. Copping, 5; J. Hampson, 6; C. E. Stewart, 7; S. Stewart (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 26 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, ORMSKIRK, LANCASHIRE.—On a Monday, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 7 mins. J. Prescott, 1; W. J. Taylor, 2; J. Watts, 3; W. Sumner (composer), 4; P. H. Harvey, 5; W. Bentham, 6; G. Prescott (conductor), 7; T. Martland, 8.

AT SS. PETER AND PAUL'S, LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.—On a Monday evening, a date touch (1891 changes) of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 16 mins. C. Fisk, 1; H. Parker, 2; C. Jarvis, 3; H. Smith, 4; T. King (conductor), 5; W. Snell, 6; A. Symonds, 7; W. Moore, 8. Composed by J. Shepherd, of Bacup.

AT ST. NICHOLAS', NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.—On a Wednesday, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (1891 changes) in 1 hr. 8 mins. J. Taylor, 1; J. Shepherd (composer and conductor), 2; J. Ashworth, 3; L. Taylor, 4; W. Taylor, 5; H. H. Nutter, 6; T. Stott, 7; J. Diver, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GREAT MARLOW, BUCKS.—On a Sunday evening, the second 504 of Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 19 mins. W. J. Taplin, 1; L. E. Collins, 2; H. Rogers, 3; W. H. Theobald, 4; W. E. Yates (conductor), 5; J. C. Truss, sen., 6; J. C. Truss, jun., 7; A. W. Truss, 8. H. Rogers belongs to Boyne Hill, the rest to the local company.

AT ST. MARY'S, WALTON-ON-THE-HILL, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 BOB MINOR (sixteen bobs and two singles), in 26 mins. T. Johnson, 1; S. Strong (Bidstone, Cheshire), 2; R. Hurst, 3; H. Kelly, 4; W. Bramley, 5; C. E. Wilson (conductor), 6. Tenor, 9 cwt.

AT ST. SWITHIN'S, WORCESTER.—On a Sunday morning, before Divine service, six members of the Cathedral Society rang 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 29 mins. J. Clements, 1; N. Wale, 2; W. Pudge, 3; H. Pheasant, 4; J. Reynolds, 5; H. Wilkes (conductor), 6.

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On Tuesday, the 24th ult., a special service was held in the Parish Church on the completion of a ring of five bells. One cracked bell has been recast, and two new ones added. The wood and woodwork for the bells and belfry, including new floor and cage, has been presented by the lord of the manor, Viscount Portman. The money for the bells (amounting to 93*l.* 18*s.* 4*d.*) and for Ellacombe's chiming apparatus has been subscribed by the parishioners, supplemented by help from friends outside. The bell-work was entrusted to Messrs. Llewellyns & James, of Bristol, and all has been satisfactorily carried out, the tone and general workmanship being all that could be desired. The bells, before and after the service, were rung by the Durweston ringers.

Ashby-de-la-Zouch.

THE Easter festival was observed very joyously at the parish church of Ashby, which was decorated with great taste and beauty. The services were very bright and hearty, attended by large congregations, and there were 218 communicants at the early and late celebrations. The Vicar of Ashby (Canon Denton) preached in the morning. The Ashby Parish Church Society of Change-ringers rang several peals on the fine ring of eight bells, for which the church is famous. The Society of Ringers at the Easter Vestry, held the next day (Easter Monday), at which Canon Denton presided, received the thanks of the meeting for their services.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At Salisbury.

On Thursday, the 19th ult., five members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 2 hrs. 48 mins. R. W. J. Gollop, 1-2; W. S. Wise, 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; C. A. Clements, 7-8; H. D. Adams, 9-10. Composed by Mr. Cox, and conducted by Mr. Adams. The fiftieth peal of Messrs. Clements and Wise. The handbells were retained in hand.

At All Saints', Duffield, Derbyshire.

On Saturday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association rang a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 17 mins. W. Clarke, 1; G. Dawson, 2; A. Percival Heywood, Esq. (composer and conductor), 3; J. Howe, 4; G. Hingley, 5; S. Johnson, 6; B. Sugden, 7; W. Hickling, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. This composition, in which the 2nd and 3rd are never in the 6th's place, was rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of Henry Midgley, who was interred the previous day, and who had taken part in nearly all the performances of the Duffield Branch during the last three years.

At the Parish Church, Kettering, Northants.

On Saturday, the 21st ult., the following members of the Bedford Society rang 5152 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 35 mins. C. W. Clarke, 1; C. J. Cullip, 2; F. Sharp, 3; S. Constant, 4; F. Gilbert (Raunds), 5; H. Sharp, 6; J. M. Frossell, 7; I. Hill, 8. Composed by F. Knight, of Chesterfield, and conducted by C. W. Clarke. First peal since the rehanging of the bells.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Lambeth, London.

On Saturday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 57 mins. G. T. McLaughlin, 1; E. H. Adams, 2; C. F. Winny (conductor), 3; J. Harris, 4; H. R. Newton, 5; C. W. P. Clifton, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; W. E. Garrard, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. First peal with a bob-bell by Mr. Clifton, who, with Mr. Harris, came from Lincoln.

At St. John's, Wilton Road, Pimlico, London.

On Monday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstan's One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. E. Horrex, 1; F. Knights, 2; G. T. McLaughlin, 3; E. Carter, 4; C. F. Winny (conductor), 5; G. Longden, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; A. Barkus, 8. Tenor, 9 cwt. Mr. Knights came from Norwich; Mr. Longden, Ashton-under-Lyne.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. MARY'S, PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—On a Sunday, 720 BOB MINOR in 30 mins. W. Hunt, 1; F. Dowsett (first 720), 2; W. Bedwell (conductor), 3; C. Anderson, 4; W. Dowsett, 5; J. Smith, 6. On a Monday, 720 BOB MINOR (18 bobs and 2 singles) in 26½ mins. W. Hunt, 1; C. E. Malin, 2; W. Bedwell, 3; C. Anderson, 4; W. Dowsett (conductor), 5; W. H. Judd, 6. And on a Sunday, 720 COLLEGE SINGLES (18 bobs and 2 singles) in 26 mins. W. Hunt, 1; W. Bedwell, 2; C. Anderson, 3; J. Smith, 4; W. Dowsett, 5; W. H. Judd (conductor), 6.

AT HINDLEY, LANCASHIRE.—On a Wednesday, the first half of Reeves's Variation of Holt's Ten-part (the calling reversed), 2520 changes, in 1 hr. 28 mins. J. Prescott (conductor), 1; E. Brown, 2; W. Blackledge, 3; S. Tickle, 4; E. Kay, 5; T. Tickle, 6; E. Prescott, 7; N. Gregory, 8. Tenor, 14½ cwt.

AT LEIGH, ESSEX.—On a Friday, the following members of the Prittlewell band paid a visit to this place, and rang 720 BOB MINOR (9 bobs and 6 singles) in 26 mins. W. Hunt, 1; W. Bedwell, 2; C. Anderson, 3; J. Smith, 4; W. Dowsett, 5; W. H. Judd (conductor), 6.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, HAGBOURNE, BERKS.—On a Tuesday, for practice, 336 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. Pether, 1; E. Pether, 2; F. Napper, 3; G. Johnson (first touch of TRIPLES), 4; D. Napper, 5; W. Napper (conductor), 6; E. E. Napper, 7; A. Woodley, 8.

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PHTHISIS—CASE AT KEIGHLEY, YORKS.

The patient's name is WILLIAM B. PARKER, of Cononley, via Keighley. He first wrote me in April of last year. His condition then was the second stage of phthisis, for on medical examination he was reported to have cavities in the lower part of the lungs. (These arise from the breaking down of the lungs through suppuration of tubercles.) The expectoration was also of the peculiar faint odour characteristic of decay of the tissue.

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THE CHURCH WORKER (C. E. S. S. Institute) pleads for the formation of more 'Bands of Hope' in connexion with Church of England Sunday schools. It has also a sensible paper on 'District Visiting.'

FROM the Church Pastoral Aid we have received the organ of the Society, CHURCH AND PEOPLE, the number for April being the first of the monthly issue at one penny. The periodical formerly appeared quarterly at threepence. It is a capital little magazine, well qualified to enlist the sympathies of readers of all ages and classes in the very real work so perseveringly done by the C. P. A.

FROM the provinces has reached us HELPING HANDS—'a chronicle of religious and social work in Liverpool,' from Messrs. Gardner, Darton, & Co., the GRAIN OF MUSTARD SEED, with reports of Tinnevely schools and the Roorkee Zenana Mission, and the CORAL MISSIONARY MAGAZINE; from Messrs. Bemrose the LITTLE PAPERS AND THE M.P.S.; and from Messrs. Nisbet the JEWISH INTELLIGENCER.

THE C.M.S. publications are all good numbers, the INTELLIGENCER supplying letters from Uganda, reports from India, and much other matter of interest; the GLEANER publishes the second part of Bishop Ridley's letter from British Columbia; whilst AWAKE! tells us of 'The Red Indians' Land and the People who Live there;' and the CHILDREN'S WORLD is particularly rich in pictures.

SONG AND SPEECH is a new monthly twopenny magazine devoted to the advancement of song and speech 'as a part of general education.' It claims that hitherto 'neither singers nor speakers have been provided with a technical paper,' and its function is to remove this want. The contents of the first number go far to substantiate its pretensions.

GREAT THOUGHTS contains among its large variety of contents a portrait and biography of the Greenland traveller, Dr. Nansen; an account of an interview with the Dean of Gloucester; an interesting paper by the Countess of Meath, 'A Noble Work done by Noble Women,' being an account of one of the two hundred and sixty-two 'asiles,' or refuges for the aged, established by the religious community who are known as the 'Little Sisters of the Poor;' a paper by Grant Allen, 'Life and its Varieties.' The serial story, 'True till Death,' continues its course.

THE YOUNG MAN.—Mr. W. Davenport Adams writes on the 'Novum Organum and Francis Bacon;' and the Rev. W. J. Dawson contributes some discriminating criticism on 'Rudyard Kipling.' The Rev. F. Ballard, in his paper on 'The Bible and Science,' is able to show that all the intolerance does not come from the Christian camp. The other papers reach their usual level of variety and interest.

THE MINISTERING CHILD (London: Griffith, Farren, & Co.; 1d.) is the quarterly paper of the Ministering Children's League. It contains, from the pen of Lady Meath, an interesting record of her visit to Germany, where she was able to inspire some influential folk with her Ladyship's own enthusiasm in the movement. Lady Meath also describes with a graphic pen her Christmas Day at Ottershaw, where the League has homes for little children. 'Letters from Abroad' tell how the League is spreading its atmosphere of kindness even in America and Australia.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

CENTRAL COUNCIL OF CHURCH BELL-RINGERS.

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

THE first Annual Meeting of the Council was held at the 'Inns of Court' Hotel, London, on Tuesday, March 31st. Of the whole number of seventy-four members, representing thirty-three Societies, sixty-three were present. One Society, the Chester Diocesan Guild, was unrepresented. The Rev. H. E. Bulwer having been chosen to preside temporarily, the only nomination received for the office of President, that of Mr. Percival Heywood, was laid before the meeting. Mr. Heywood was then elected President of the Council for three years, and took the chair.

Of the nominations for the post of Hon. Secretary, Mr. Attree and Mr. Thornton having declined to stand, the names of Mr. Strange and Mr. Dawe were submitted to the meeting, with the result that the latter was elected to fill the office.

On the question of Honorary Members, it was moved by Mr. J. Griffin, seconded by Rev. W. C. Baker, and carried, that nine only of the twelve be chosen at this meeting. The following were then elected:—Canon Wigram, Dr. Raven, Rev. Pitt Eykyn, and Messrs. J. C. Mitchell, H. Thomas, C. Hounslow, W. Wakley, J. Pettitt, and W. T. Pates.

The President then rose, and said that before proceeding with the subjects on the agenda, he desired to impress upon the Council the great importance of bearing in mind that they were met, not to contest points of difference in an aggressive spirit, but to discuss the questions before them thoughtfully, and with the earnest wish to arrive at decisions based upon careful and unprejudiced consideration of the various views presented. They had yet to make a position for themselves, and it depended upon the judgment with which their *dicta* were drawn up whether the Council would come to be regarded as the final authority on all ringing matters. Properly directed, the opinion of a body comprising so large a proportion of the first ringers of the country could not but exert a most valuable influence for good upon the interests of the exercise.

The following business was then transacted:—

Moved by Mr. R. Story, seconded by Mr. E. A. Nunn, and carried, 'That the question of proxy voting be deferred to the conclusion of the meeting.'

Moved by Mr. E. F. Strange, seconded by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, and carried, 'That a Standing Committee be formed, consisting of the President, Hon. Secretary, and seven members, five to form a quorum, to deal with such matters as may come before it in the interim between the meetings of the Council.' The following were elected to serve:—Revs. F. E. Robinson and C. D. P. Davies, Messrs. E. F. Strange, G. F. Attree, C. H. Hattersley, H. Dains, and J. W. Washbrook, with power to add to their number.

Moved by Rev. H. E. Bulwer, seconded by Mr. W. Snowdon, and carried, 'That the following be appointed a committee, five to form a quorum, to draw up a body of advice, suggestions, and instructions on (1) the repair and preservation of bells, frames, and fittings; also (2), on the best means of moderating the sound of noisy bells, both outside the tower and in the ringing chamber; also (3), on the furnishing of ringing chambers, embodying *data* such as may prove useful to rural deans and other Church authorities interested in providing good and proper accommodation for their ringers, both with reference to the proper means of ventilating ringing chambers and securing a medium temperature therein, together with notes for the guidance of those who may have to ring heavy bells previous to Divine service; as to clothing, &c., and a reminder to churchwardens as to their responsibilities to

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those who may thus have to enter church in a heated state; with (4) a list of approximate prices, according to weight, for the several items of bell and frame furniture:—The President, Hon. Secretary, Rev. H. E. Bulwer, Messrs. W. Snowdon, G. H. Phillott, F. W. Rees, and W. Baron. The committee to embody their conclusions in the form of a report, to be presented to the next meeting of the Council, and, if approved, promulgated through the medium of the various societies with the sanction and authority of the Council.'

Moved by Mr. W. Snowdon, seconded by Mr. B. T. Copley, and carried, 'That, in the opinion of this Council, steps should be taken to obtain adequate recognition of the ringers' office and work at Church Congresses.' The following were appointed to give effect to the resolution:—The President, Canon Wigram, Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, and Rev. T. L. Papillon.

Mr. E. F. Strange brought forward a series of resolutions defining the conditions necessary to the accomplishment of a true and complete peal on all numbers of bells, from five upwards. After considerable discussion on peals of DOUBLES and MINOR, the following resolution was passed in regard to peals of TRIPLES, the definition of peals of DOUBLES, MINOR, MAJOR, and the higher numbers being referred to the Standing Committee to be put into shape and brought before the next meeting of the Council.

Moved by Mr. E. F. Strange, seconded by Dr. A. B. Carpenter, and carried by a majority of forty to sixteen, seven not voting, 'That the Council decides the following conditions to be necessary to the accomplishment of a true and complete peal on seven bells:—Not less than 5040 changes, rung *with or without a covering bell*, and without interval, being the extent of changes in the method chosen.'

In accordance with Rule XI., a list showing the voting on this motion is appended, the point in contention being the words in italics.

Mr. W. Snowdon then moved, and Mr. B. T. Copley seconded, a resolution that proxy voting be permitted to members residing over 100 miles from the place of meeting. The motion was lost by a large majority.

On the motion of Mr. G. F. Attree, seconded by Rev. C. D. P. Davies, it was suggested that the agenda for future meetings contain all proposed motions in full. Resolved: To leave the matter in the hands of the Standing Committee.

Moved by Mr. G. Longden, seconded by Mr. J. W. Taylor, that the next meeting be held at Derby; whereupon Mr. H. Bastable moved, and Mr. S. Reeves seconded, that it be held at Birmingham. The latter being carried by a large majority, it was agreed to meet at Birmingham about one o'clock on Easter Tuesday, 1892.

A vote of thanks to the President for presiding, moved by the Rev. F. E. Robinson, and seconded by Mr. W. D. Smith, concluded the meeting.

The following representatives were absent:—St. James's Society—G. T. McLaughlin. North Lincolnshire Association—F. F. Linley. Hereford Diocesan Guild—J. G. Buchanan. Norwich Diocesan Association—Captain Moore, W. L. Catchpole. Devonshire Guild—Colonel Troyte. Durham and Newcastle Association—L. Newton. Bath and Wells Diocesan Association—Rev. C. W. Griffith. Winchester Diocesan Guild—Rev. C. Buston. Chester Diocesan Guild—H. A. Heywood, F. Ball.

The following was the voting on Mr. E. F. Strange's motion, defining a peal of TRIPLES:—

		<i>Ayes.</i>		
A. B. Carpenter.		W. Snowdon.	F. E. Ward.	
E. F. Strange.		J. G. Wall.	J. Williams.	
F. W. Thornton.		G. Longden.	W. G. Richards.	
Rev. T. S. Curteis.		N. J. Pitstow.	T. Blackburn.	
Rev. E. W. Carpenter.		C. H. Hattersley.	F. Knights.	
N. E. Snow.		H. Bastable.	H. White.	
E. A. Nunn.		G. F. Attree.	J. Carter.	
Rev. W. C. Baker.		S. Reeves.	H. Chandler.	
G. B. Lucas.		J. W. Washbrook.	G. Newson.	
H. Dains.		C. Tyler.	R. S. Story.	
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Rev. J. H. Elsee.		B. T. Copley.	J. Rogers.	
		F. G. Newman.		

		<i>Noes.</i>		
F. E. Dawe.		J. Holden.	<i>Neutral.</i>	
A. P. Heywood.		W. D. Smith.	Rev. C. D. P. Davies.	
C. E. Malin.		G. H. Phillott.	F. W. Rees.	
J. W. Taylor.		R. J. Woodley.	Rev. G. F. Coleridge.	
Rev. T. L. Papillon.		H. R. Newton.	Rev. W. S. Willett.	
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J. R. Haworth.		Rev. H. A. Cockey.	W. Baron.	

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Alphege's, Greenwich, Kent.

On Thursday, the 2nd inst., ten members of the Society of Trinity Youths (who are also members of the Ancient Society of College Youths) rang a peal of 5006 STEDMAN CATERERS in 3 hrs. 20 mins. C. F. Winny, 1; J. M. Oxborrow, 2; F. G. Newman, 3; J. C. Mitchell, 4; W. Weatherstone, 5; E. E. Richards, 6; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 7; F. J. French, 8; W. T. Cockerill, 9; W. Davis, 10. Composed by Mr. Newson and conducted by Mr. Newman. Tenor, 25 cwt., in D. The first peal of STEDMAN CATERERS by the Trinity Youths. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for his kindness in allowing them to ring the peal.

The last peal of STEDMAN CATERERS on these bells was rung by ten members

of the College Youths in 1844, of which the following is an account:—On Sunday morning, June 16, 1844, before Divine service, ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5079 STEDMAN CATERERS in 3 hrs. 27 mins. J. Cox, 1; T. Britten, 2; R. Thimbleby, 3; R. Turner, 4; J. Mash, 5; J. R. Haworth, 6; G. Stockham, 7; E. Lansdell, 8; J. Bradley, 9; J. Furrein, 10. Composed and conducted by Mr. Cox. (Mr. Haworth is the only survivor of the band.)

RECEIVED ALSO.—G. W. Cartmel (thanks—no space this week); and others.

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CHRONIC BRONCHITIS and CONGESTION of the
LEFT LUNG—CASE at HUDDERSFIELD.

The name of this patient is JOSEPH BROWN, but my correspondent throughout has been the friend who recommended him—Mr. D. ROBERTS, Hydro, Fartown Green, HUDDERSFIELD. It was in April of last year I first heard of his case.

Six years before this he had taken cold—severe cough followed in every winter. Five months before writing me he had acute bronchitis, which by-and-by assumed the chronic form. The cough was violent now, expectoration copious, pains in the left lung constant and severe, the appetite bad, hectic fever high, wasting of flesh since the acute bronchitis set in. Hope had been given him of cure, but all remedies had so far failed.

Mr. Roberts corresponded with me about his friend up to November last, each letter testifying to some further improvement. First, 'cough better, wasting stopped; then, 'pains very slight, weight increased; then 'still improving all round;' and in his last letter, of Nov. 25, he says, 'My friend Brown is now free from all his symptoms, doing his work, and enjoying life, and is going up and down showing himself, and talking about you.'

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Arklow is still the subject of much unfavourable comment. It is generally felt that the authorities have committed a grave blunder, and it is not surprising in the circumstances to find almost all non-Romanists united in vigorously protesting against the threatened abridgment of their liberties. An amusing feature of the case is that the clergymen were imprisoned for causing an 'obstruction,' that is, the police and military surrounded them, kept them and their congregations at one spot, ostensibly to protect them from the unreasoning fury of the Roman Catholics; they, the police, created the obstruction, and then, by a process of reasoning which is peculiarly Irish, punished the unfortunate clergymen. The open-air services were continued on Sunday. The police kept moving on the congregation, and there was no disturbance of any consequence. The police were in great force.

It is anticipated that Waterford Cathedral will be again opened for worship by the first Sunday in June. The alterations and improvements in the building have been carried out very satisfactorily, and the building will be one of the most beautiful of the kind in Ireland.

SCOTLAND.

THE many friends of Bishop Dowden will hear with pleasure that his lordship is making good progress towards convalescence.

Great excitement has characterised the School Board election contest at Crieff, the religious question being the principal cause of strife. The rector, who was returned three years ago with a wonderful majority of votes, had to reckon at this election with numerous adverse forces, and was also prevented by domestic anxiety from canvassing like the other candidates. He put his case, however, before the electors in two striking papers, entitled 'Clearing the Decks' and 'Boarding the Ship,' and has been elected. A second seat on the board has also been secured by the Episcopalians.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Ancient Society of College Youths.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

THE members of this Society are earnestly requested to attend the meeting at St. Saviour's on Tuesday next, the 21st inst., at 8.30 p.m., when the decision of the Central Council will be brought before the meeting as to the ringing of peals on seven bells and upwards, and as to the definition of a true peal.

RICHARD T. WOODLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

The Worcestershire and adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

THE Annual Meeting of this Association was held on Easter Monday, in the Chapter House of Worcester Cathedral, under the presidency of the Rev. Canon Melville, D.D., who was supported by the Rev. W. R. Carr, M.A. (St. John's, Worcester); W. C. Gibbs, M.A. (St. John's, Hagley); H. Kingsford, M.A. (vicar of Stoulton); the Hon. Secretary, Master, and Treasurer. The meeting was opened with appropriate prayers by the Chairman. The minutes of the last Annual Meeting having been read and confirmed, the Annual Report, which was adopted by the committee meeting held at Kidderminster, was read and passed. On the motion of the Hon. Secretary, Pershore was fixed for the next meeting.

The following new members were elected:—The Ven. the Archdeacon, Vicar of Pershore, and Mr. W. Pearce (Pershore), honorary; with ten members of the Abbey, Pershore; two from Old Hill, two from Hagley; five from the Worcester branch; one from Bromsgrove; one from Brierley Hill, and several unattached, added as performing members.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—The Very Rev. J. Gott, D.D., Dean of Worcester, President; the Rev. Canon Cattley and S. Phillips, Vice-Presidents; Mr. J. Naylor (Dudley) and Mr. H. B. Kingsford (Birmingham), lay Vice-Presidents. The Master, Hon. Secretary, and Treasurer were re-elected. The following clergy, with the representatives of each company in union, form the Management Committees:—The Revs. Canon Claughton, W. C. Gibbs, H. Kingsford, S. J. Marriott, and A. B. Timbrell.

The Rev. W. R. Carr moved:—'That it be an instruction to the Committee that some Saturday afternoon between Easter and the 1st of July (instead of Easter Monday) be selected for holding the annual meeting.' He gave as his reason, that it would be a better opportunity for holding a service, and a better chance of getting an address from one of the clergy. The Chairman concurred with the resolution, and promised to see the Dean upon the subject. The Master (Mr. S. Spittle) moved a resolution, which was carried unanimously, congratulating Canon Creighton upon his elevation to the See of Peterborough, the Chairman kindly undertaking to convey to the Bishop-elect the wishes of the meeting.

A vote of thanks to the Rev. Canon Melville, D.D., for presiding, the Dean and Chapter for the use of the Chapter House, was proposed by the Rev. H. Kingsford, M.A., and carried unanimously, brought the business to a close. An adjournment was made to the 'Packhorse' Hotel (Mr. J. Perk's, late Master of the Association), where several courses were rung upon the Association handbells.

Annual Meeting of the Hertford County Association.

THE annual meeting of the Hertford County Association of Change-Ringers was held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. The bells at St. Peter's Church were rung soon after ten o'clock, and before the morning had far advanced the belfry was literally besieged by members. This necessitated a division, and accordingly a party made for the Cathedral, where the bells soon rang some STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. A special service was held at St. Peter's Church at 12.45, when the Ven. Archdeacon Lawrance gave a most stirring address.

At half-past one nearly sixty members of the Association sat down to dinner in the Corn Exchange. The venerable President, Mr. Leonard Proctor, of Bennington, occupied the chair, and among those present were: The Revs. F. H. Hodgson (vicar of Abbots Langley), G. H. P. Glossop, and T. T. Blockley, Messrs. H. L. Waddington, W. H. L. Buckingham, R. Hammond, S. E. Mitchell, E. R. Mitchell, R. A. Fowler, E. P. Debenham (hon. sec.), G. W. Cartmel (assistant hon. sec.), H. Lewis, E. Hull, A. Hull, T. Colney, H. Brewer, J. Brewer, W. Battle, W. T. Waller, E. Randal, J. C. Mitchell, A. Godman, H. Biggs, R. Weatherley (St. Albans), the Bennington Band, W. Hewitt, H. Wright (Aldenham), and other ringers from Bushey, Baldock, London, Rugby, Knebworth, &c. Towards the close of the repast the Bishop of St. Albans, accompanied by the Ven. Archdeacon Lawrance, entered the room and was accorded a hearty welcome. Dinner over the chair was temporarily taken by the Bishop.

The Bishop of St. Albans, who rose amidst applause, said that as he had to be off almost directly, he would ask their indulgence for a few moments whilst he wished the Association success. As bell-ringing was an English custom, and a good custom, he thought all should stir themselves to see it upheld and carried out in the best possible way, because everything connected with the Church, from the very highest of motives, should be done in the best possible way, and therefore he wished the Association every success. The fact of the Association bringing together the members was in itself most useful, in addition to which the experience that was gained, and the mixing with each other in society, was also productive of great pleasure. He would not further take up their time than by saying that he hoped the Association would continue in those good lines which he was sure their worthy President had desired to see established, and that it would help to accomplish that which was so very important—the maintenance of a high standard of character among those who took up any good work connected with the Church.

The Bishop and Archdeacon Lawrance then took their departure amidst renewed applause, and Mr. Proctor resumed the chair.

The annual report was then read by the Secretary.

Mr. Henry Lewis moved the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, and paid a compliment to the untiring energies of the Secretary, to whom he moved a vote of thanks. Mr. T. Waller seconded, and the motion was carried. The President, whose services to the cause of change-ringing, extending over half a century, were recognised by Mr. Debenham, was also re-elected. Mr. Buckingham moved, and Mr. H. Brewer seconded, the re-election of Mr. Debenham as Secretary, and Mr. R. A. Fowler supported, observing that the time, trouble, and careful thought that their Secretary gave to the work of the Association were most laudable. The re-election was carried with acclamation, and Mr. Debenham having humorously observed that he hoped the 'salary' would be increased, or at least continued, went on to acknowledge the assistance rendered him by Mr. Cartmel, without whose continued help he was afraid they would have to look out for another Secretary. Mr. Cartmel having volunteered to continue his services with so congenial a colleague as Mr. Debenham, the latter gentleman expressed his willingness to remain in office. Mr. Ralph Fowler was also re-elected auditor.

Mr. J. C. Mitchell proposed: 'That the Association recommend the adoption of the Office now in use in the Cathedral belfry for use in the belfries affiliated with the Association; that the same be printed and copies sent to each tower, together with a circular recommending its use.' He was sure that after what had fallen from the Archdeacon that morning the meeting would have little hesitation in adopting his motion. The prayers had been sanctioned by the Archdeacon, and had been in use in the Cathedral belfry for two or three months past. The office was conducive to greater reverence being shown in the belfries. Mr. Fowler seconded, and after some discussion fourteen voted for the resolution, which was carried with seven dissentients.

On the motion of the Secretary, cordial votes of thanks were passed to the Archdeacon, to the clergy of St. Peter's, and to Mr. Cawston, the organist, and the choir of St. Peter's, it being stated that this was the first occasion on which a choir and organist had given up their time to take part in the service held by the Association. A vote of thanks to the President was also passed. It having been decided to hold the next district meeting in June at Bennington, Mr. Proctor promised the members a hearty welcome, and none who have ever enjoyed the President's hospitality will have reason to expect otherwise.

Ringling was continued at the Cathedral until five o'clock, and at St. Peter's until about seven, thus bringing to a close a memorable meeting, enjoyed by all.

Death of an Old Ringer.

JOHN YOULE, one of the parish church ringers of Wellingborough, died on Good Friday, aged seventy-two. As a relative of the family who held the sextonship of the parish church for a very long period, he learned to manage a bell when quite a boy. John Youle was nominally a regular chimer up to his death, but for the last few years he had been too infirm to attend the belfry. The ringers were present at the graveside when he was buried; and on the following Monday evening the old 'back six' bells were rung fully muffled in memory of the last but one of our old ringers.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 378.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild

THE Annual Meeting of the Guild will be held at Christ Church, Southport, on Saturday, April 25th. Bells open at two p.m.; service at four; tea at five; business meeting at six.

Rev. W. T. BULFIT, } Hon. Secs.
W. BENTHAM, }

Treat to Ringers at Walter Belchamp, Suffolk.

ON Saturday, April 4th, the members of the Belchamp Walter Company of Change-ringers were invited by the Rev. J. M. St. Clere Raymond to supper at the Hall in the good old English style, with an ample supply of roast beef and plum pudding. The party sat down at seven o'clock, with the Rev. J. M. St. Clere Raymond in the chair, supported by S. St. Clere Raymond, Esq., and the Rev. L. A. Bellhouse. After doing justice to the good things provided, a very pleasant evening was spent, with songs and various touches on the handbells. A discussion was raised about having the second bell recast, and it was decided to raise a subscription for that purpose. The bells of the parish church are a ring of eight (tenor, 10½ cwt.); if the second bell is recast they will be as nice a peal as can be found for many miles. At ten o'clock the party broke up, after thanking Mr. Raymond for his great kindness. The present Company was formed in October last, and is making satisfactory progress under the instruction of Nelson and Frederick Hawkins.

A Visit to Clifton, Beds.

Lately, on a Monday, the Biggleswade ringers, under the leadership of Mr. John Goss, visited Clifton belfry. They went through a course of changes on five bells, afterwards ringing the well-known 'Whittington,' or six-bell peal, with the leader of the Clifton ringers and a visitor from Henlow. The ringing concluded with a six-bell peal and changes, with handbell-ringing at intervals. The Biggleswade ringers think that Clifton possesses an excellent ring of bells in good working order, and regret that the whole ring of eight bells cannot be used, owing to two of them being without ropes. They also inspected the interior of the church, and were delighted with its beautiful fittings and decorations. Now that visitors have appreciated the bells, it is hoped that many other bands of ringers will follow the example of their Biggleswade brethren.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Leonard's, Bridgenorth, Salop.

ON Easter Monday, the 30th ult. (by kind permission of the Rev. A. L. Oldham, rector), eight members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell-ringers (Shropshire Division) rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 8 mins. W. H. Warren (Bridgenorth), 1; J. Overton (Bridgenorth), 2; A. Wale (Coalbrookdale), 3; W. Morgan (Coalbrookdale), 4; T. J. Bratton (Welshpool), 5; A. D. Bradburn (Coalbrookdale), 6; W. H. Fussell (Bridgenorth, conductor), 7; E. J. Hall (Bridgenorth), 8. Tenor, 22 cwt., in E flat.

At the Cathedral, Lichfield, Staffordshire.

ON Easter Monday, the 30th ult., the following members of the Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang a peal of 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 13 mins. H. Hipkiss, 1; T. Horton, 2; S. Reeves, 3; J. R. Frisby, 4; W. R. Small, 5; J. Hall, 6; F. J. Cope, 7; C. Price, 8; R. Hall, 9; H. J. Gallimore, 10. The peal has the 6th twenty-four times wrong and right, was composed by John Carter, of Birmingham, and conducted by Samuel Reeves, of West Bromwich.

At St. Lawrence's, Reading, Berks.

ON Monday, the 30th ult., ten members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 34 mins. W. Holloway,* 1; J. Potter,* 2; W. J. Williams,* 3; C. Foxell,* 4; E. Bishop, 5; Rev. G. F. Coleridge,* 6; C. Chapman,* 7; J. Martin Routh, Esq., 8; W. Newell,* 9; R. T. Hibbert,* 10. Composed by J. R. Pritchard, and conducted by J. Potter. Tenor, 24 cwt. The first peal of BOB ROYAL by the Oxford Guild, and it is believed to be the first in Berkshire. [* First peal of BOB ROYAL.]

At St. John's, Deptford, Kent.

ON Saturday, the 4th inst., eight members of the Society of Trinity Youths rang a peal of 5038 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. J. Rose, 1; W. Bedwell, 2; T. Taylor, 3; W. Weatherstone, 4; J. C. Mitchell (St. Albans), 5; F. J. French, 6; E. E. Richards, 7; F. G. Newman, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. Composed by H. Dains and conducted by F. G. Newman. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. E. J. Hone (vicar) for the use of the bells.

At St. Edmund's, Northampton.

ON Saturday, the 4th inst., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association (Nuneaton Branch) rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. T. Ealey, 1; J. S. White (first peal as conductor), 2; S. Hall,* 3; J. George (Rugby), 4; J. Mackay, 5; E. H. Haxley,* 6; W. Thompson,* 7; H. D. Smith,* 8. This is supposed to be the first peal rung in Northampton by a local band. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar and Churchwardens for the use of the bells. [* First Peal.]

At St. Andrew's, Steyning, Sussex.

ON Tuesday, the 7th inst., the following members of the Sussex County Association (Steyning branch) rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (Brook's variation) in 2 hrs. 50 mins. C. Tyler (first peal), 1; W. B. Hills, 2; J. Smart, 3; W. N. Holt, 4; T. Searle, 5; J. Woolgar, 6; G. Smart (conductor), 7; G. Gatland, 8.

At All Hallows, Barking, London.

ON Saturday, the 11th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstan's peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 13 mins. S. E. Joyce, 1; J. Pettit (conductor), 2; E. Wallage, 3; E. Hall, 4; S. Binfield, 5; I. G. Shade, 6; W. Prime, 7; C. Kennedy (first peal), 8.

THE frontispiece of the STRAND MAGAZINE is a rather curious punning picture-letter by Sir Edwin Landseer. The stories of 'Pictures with Histories' are continued. 'Two Fishers,' from the French of Guy de Maupassant, is a pathetic little sketch of the war-time of '70-'71. 'Babies,' by John Gillich, is a comparison of the treatment of infants by different nations, with the result that the lot of the Japanese babies is declared to be the best. 'Portraits of Celebrities' are continued, as are also the 'Stories of the Victoria Cross.' 'A New Industry for Ladies,' by Miss Grace Harriman, describes the advantages of market-gardening as an employment for ladies, and 'On the Stump for the Pump,' by Sir Wilfrid Lawson, is a paper of which the character is sufficiently indicated by the title and the name of the author. Among the remainder of the contents there is a story by Frank R. Stockton, 'A Thing that Glistened;' a tale by Stanley J. Weyman, of the days of Henry of Navarre, entitled 'The King's Stratagem;' and a paper by J. L. Wimbush, which ought not to be left unread. The illustrations in the magazine are well executed, and it is an excellent sixpennyworth.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

Mr. Congreve has thought it well in future to occasionally refer to a few *old cases* and *recent letters* from the same patients in order to show the

PERMANENCE OF CURE.

CASE AT ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE.

ON Jan. 1st of this year I received a letter from Mr. GARRATT, of 19 Trafalgar Square, Ashton-under-Lyne, in which he says:—'Having experienced benefit from your medicine and treatment, I have many times advocated it to friends, and recently to Mr. WILLIAM BRADLEY, of this town, who looks another man to what he was six months ago.'

I received a statement of this case in August last:—Commencement of illness, 'Influenza in January, followed by cold upon cold. Cough and expectoration had gradually increased; phlegm copious and purulent in appearance; dark coloured blood mixed with the phlegm; dull pains over right lung; lost weight, and strength declining three months.'

In the course of a month the patient reports:—'I am glad to say I am much better. The quantity of phlegm is not half it was before, the dull heavy pains are gone, there is only a slight shifting pain now. I will continue your instructions to the very letter;' (would that every patient would do this when far away, and altogether beyond my personal supervision, as this patient was).

By the end of two months he reports the cough entirely gone, and no blood had been spit up since commencing my treatment.

MR. CONGREVE'S Book 'On Consumption, &c.' may be had post free for One Shilling from Coombe Lodge, Peckham, London, S.E.

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difficult—and we would fain add, nothing is more dangerous—than to cut a great writer's books up into little slices, and to issue these fragments in the form of 'maxims.' Yet, we suppose, that as long as people get their thinking, like their washing, 'done out,' so long will they read extracts from a writer rather than do themselves and him the justice of reading his works intact. The lady who has compiled the work before us has done her work faithfully and well, and it may be useful to place on our dressing-tables and to read at odd moments. But those who would reap any real benefit from Canon Liddon's masterly teaching should read his books undiluted and un-reduced. For this purpose we earnestly recommend Messrs. Longmans' excellent new edition of his works, now published at 5s. a volume. If a thing is worth doing at all, it is worth doing well, and we think that the modern reading-made-easy plan has gone far enough.

HOW FAR IS IT RIGHT TO YIELD TO THE ÆSTHETIC TASTE OF THE DAY IN THE PUBLIC WORSHIP OF THE CHURCH? By Rev. Ralph Williams, vicar of St. Luke's, Kilburn. (London: R. D. Dickinson, 1890.)—A paper originally read at a meeting of 'Clergy in Council,' Paddington, and containing a temperate and thoughtful discussion of the subject.

JOHN RUSKIN: A STUDY. By the Rev. R. P. Downes, editor of *Great Thoughts*. (London: A. W. Hall, 1890. 1s.)—Mr. Downes knows his Ruskin well, and has given a bright sketch of his life and labours, illustrated by sketches of his home surroundings, and drawing out some of his characteristic ideas and teachings.

GETHESEMANE; OR, LEAVES OF HEALING FROM THE GARDEN OF GRIEF. By Newman Hall, LL.B. (Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1891. 5s.)—Mr. Newman Hall's last work consists of a series of devout meditations on some thoughts suggested by our Lord's passion in the Garden of Gethsemane. As befits the place and the subject, they are of a consolatory and meditative character. The latter part of the volume brings in allied topics, such as 'Paul in the Garden of Grief,' and 'Patient Waiting.' The author has expressed his thoughts not only in prose, but sometimes in sympathetic verse.

THE PEOPLE'S ARCHBISHOP: The late Most Rev. William Thomson, D.D., archbishop of York. By Charles Bullock, B.D. (London: Home Words Office, 1891. 1s.)—A biographical sketch, enriched by extracts from speeches and sermons of the late Archbishop of York, tastefully got up and sympathetically written.

LYRICS FROM THE HILLS. By Charles Armstrong Fox. (London: Elliot Stock, 1891. 6s.)—The purpose of Mr. Fox's poems is to show that nature is intended to be an important factor in our education, spiritually as well as mentally and physically, to discover the touch of God everywhere. He has accordingly taken the hills of various countries and districts—Cumberland, Yorkshire, Surrey, Wales, Syria, &c.—and from these chosen the inspiration of some very telling and beautiful poems, mostly in the sonnet form. They will recall, to those familiar with the scenes, their beauty, and will make those who have not yet looked upon them long for the approach of holiday-time, when they will be able to read the verses amid the scenery they describe, and to see with the author's eyes the manifold beauties of nature.

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER: with Plain Song and Appropriate Music. By William Henry Monk, Mus. Doc. (London: William Clowes & Sons, 1891. 5s.)—This was the last work upon which Prof. Monk was engaged at the time of his death, and will be welcome to all those who have appreciated the many services that Dr. Monk rendered to the Church and to the cause of sacred music. It contains the plain-song setting of the Prayer-book, and can be used both by clergy and congregation, as the entire text of the Prayer-book is given. The setting is simple and free from elaborate harmonies, which congregations cannot and will not sing. The Psalter is a reprint of Dr. Monk's well-known *Chants Ancient and Modern*. The only thing lacking is the choral setting of the latter part of the Communion Office, the intonation of the Collects, Epistles and Gospels, Comfortable Words, &c. This may be from the fact of the author's death, but should be added, if a new edition is called for, by a competent hand. The great advantage of the book is its compactness and the doing away with the necessity of the clergy using more than the one volume.

FOUND READY. Memorials of Rev. George Poole, late vicar of Burntwood. By his niece, Sarah Mason. (London: James Nisbet & Co. 1890. 2s. 6d.)—A simply-told biography of one who seems to have known what his duty and talents were, and to have been faithful to the call of the one and the obligations of the other.

LIFE AMONG THE CLOSE BRETHREN. (London: Hodder & Stoughton, 1890. 1s. 6d.)—This interesting little volume consists of a reprint of a series of articles that appeared in the *British Weekly*, the best of the various Nonconformist papers. It tells the story of Plymouth Brethrenism from the inside, and is deserving to be read and studied by all who

desire to form a true and just opinion of that denomination. It 'sets down naught in malice,' neither does it 'extenuate.'

STUDIES IN HOLY SCRIPTURE. Short Readings from the Gospel of St. Matthew and the Acts of the Apostles arranged for Household Reading. By C. M. and S. I. M. (London: Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co. Two vols. 4s. each.)—Each of these volumes contains sixty short readings based on the history of the book chosen, intended for use at family prayers, or such other time as the household may be gathered together. The comments are brief, the longest not taking more than ten minutes, and likely to prove of service for thought during the day. The readings are sometimes lightened by the introduction of well-chosen and apposite illustrations and anecdotes.

THOUGHTS ON THE FESTIVAL PROPER PSALMS. By A. M. Jarrett. (London: Reginald Berkeley, 1890. 3s. 6d.)—The idea is a good one, to take the proper Psalms appointed for each of the festivals of the Church's year, and to indicate what appears to be the connexion between the Psalm and the Festival. The explanations are simple, and if lacking in the historic sense, now almost a necessity in Old Testament interpretation, yet viewed as meditations they are useful and spiritual in their tone.

GENERAL BOOTH'S SUBMERGED TENTH; OR, THE WRONG WAY TO DO THE RIGHT THING, by the Rev. Philip Dwyer (Messrs. Swan Sonnenschein & Co.), is a book of which the title sufficiently indicates the character. Mr. Dwyer ably traverses the pretensions of the 'General,' and says sufficient to provide food of thought for even the most hasty.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH MAGAZINE contains a photograph of St. Andrew's Church, Moscow, and among other papers one by the Rev. Gilbert Holt White, 'Some Recollections of Florida.'

THE WEEKLY GALLERY OF CELEBRITIES. (London: The General Publishing Company, 280 Strand. Price 2d.)—Each number of this new venture contains five portraits of notable men and women well reproduced in photogravure from recent likenesses. Each portrait is accompanied by a brief biographical sketch. The celebrities hitherto given have been chiefly literary and musical.

MUSIC.

The following recent publications by Messrs. Weekes & Co., Hanover Street, W., may be commended:—**MAGNIFICAT AND NUNC DIMITTIS**, by Dr. Karn, of moderate difficulty; **HOLY COMMUNION**, complete easy setting by Rev. F. A. Jarvis; Anthems, 'THE BELOVED OF THE LORD,' by Kingsmill, and 'THIS IS THE DAY,' by Edwards, each suitable for a good choir; 'COME UNTO ME, YE WEARY,' vocal duet, very effectively set by Dr. Warwick Jordan; **CLASSICAL GLEANINGS**, a set of twelve moderately difficult pianoforte solos, well worth studying; **PROCESSIONAL MARCH**, by Godwin Fowles, and **GAVOTTE**, by Th. Maas, are easy pianoforte pieces in a popular style.

MARSHALL BROS. Paternoster Row, in their 'Church Choir Series,' publish a setting of the **TE DEUM**, by Harper, and the **STORY OF THE CROSS**, by Jefferies, each suitable for a small choir.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild of Change-Ringers.

We have received a specimen of honorary member's card of this Guild. It is tastefully drawn, and contains small vignettes of churches in the diocese arranged as a border. These are very pretty. The centre-piece is highly so successful, being a kind of far-off dreamland picture of a tower in the middle of a bell-wheel. Let us have towers or bell-wheels; or, if one must be within the other, let the wheel be in the tower, not the tower in the wheel.

The Lancashire Association.

ROCHDALE BRANCH.—A meeting of the above branch was held on Saturday, the 4th inst., at St. Mary's Church, Rochdale. The bells were ringing from 4.30 till 9. Touches of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** were rung, and also 720 of **BOB MINOR** attempted, but not finished. At the meeting, held in the schools, Mr. J. Hoyle in the chair, a letter was read from the ringers of East Crompton, who could not see their way to join the branch owing to there being so many inducements other than ringing in which to spend their time. The next meeting is to be held at All Saints', Rochdale, on May 2nd. The meeting closed with votes of thanks to all concerned.

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

SAXMUNDHAM DISTRICT.—The fourth Quarterly Meeting of the Saxmundham District was held at Saxmundham on Saturday, the 4th inst., when twenty-eight members assembled from Aldeburgh, Leicester, Saxmundham, Kelsale, Rendham, Sweffling, Benhall, and Great Glemham. The Kelsale and Saxmundham bells were kindly placed at the disposal of the members and were kept going from four to nine o'clock, the methods rung being **BOB MAJOR**, **KENT** and **OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR**, **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, **KENT** and **OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR**, and **BOB MINOR**. The business meeting was held at 6.30, when one honorary and four performing members were en-

rolled. It was decided to hold the next meeting, being the Annual Meeting, at Aldeburgh, on June 6th. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. A. Washington for the use of the Saxmundham bells, and to the Rev. Geo. Irving-Davies for the use of the Kelsale bells, which brought to a close a highly successful and encouraging meeting.

The St. Peter's Guild, Wolverhampton.

The Monthly Meeting of this Society was held at Wombourn on Saturday, the 4th inst., members from St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, Tipton, Tettenhall, Perry Bar, and Penn, assembling at the church about 3.30 p.m. Several peals (120) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES and touches of MINOR and TRIPLES were rung. A business meeting was afterwards held, at which eight new members were duly elected. A vote of thanks to the Vicar for the use of the bells was passed. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Tipton on Saturday, May 2nd.

The Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

The third Quarterly Meeting in connexion with the above Society was held at Harborne on Saturday the 11th inst., when there was a good muster of members from the various parishes in the archdeaconry. The bells were raised in peal early in the afternoon, and were kept going till nine p.m., with touches in various methods. At five o'clock a short service was held in the church, and an address delivered by the Curate, the Rev. F. Roberts, in which he explained the different uses to which bells are applied; after which a Committee meeting was held in the vestry. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed; several new members were elected, and the representative gave a *resumé* of the proceedings of the Central Council meeting. An adjournment was then made to Mr. Taylor's, where tea was served, but owing to the influx of members above the names sent in, an extra room had to be set out, thus causing a delay and a split in the company.

Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Association.

WORCESTER BRANCH.—On Friday, the 20th ult., the members of this branch held their annual meeting in the Guildroom, Edgar Tower, the Rev. Minor Canon Clifford, Hon. Secretary, presiding. The balance-sheet showed an income from members' and honorary members' donations of 8l. 5s. 3d. The balance-sheet, as read, was adopted, the whole of the officers were re-elected, and several new members were admitted as performing members. A vote of thanks to the Chairman was carried, this bringing the first annual meeting to an end, every member being highly gratified.

Guild at Brackley, Northamptonshire.

A MEETING was held on Tuesday evening, the 14th inst., at the Church Schools in this borough, for the purpose of establishing a Guild of Bell-ringers for Brackley and district. The Vicar of Brackley presided, and

amongst others present were the Vicar of Evenley, the Brackley Church officers and bell-ringers, as also the Evenley bell-ringers, &c. The rules of the Guild as prepared were, after some discussion, adopted with some slight alterations. The President, Vice-President, Committee, and officers, were elected, and some thirty persons enrolled as members. It is, however, expected this number will soon be largely increased. It is anticipated that the inauguration of this Society may be the means of bringing about many happy meetings in the neighbouring church towers. The annual meeting and festival is fixed for the month of May in each year.

The Bells at Hanslope, Bucks.

On Sunday, the 19th inst., special services were held in commemoration of the recent restoration of the bells of the parish church. The bells now number five, and have been thoroughly restored and rendered safe for use. At the morning service the sermon was preached by the Lord Bishop of Reading, who, referring to the restoration, said he had to thank them for the careful and faithful manner in which they had done the work. He would say go on with the work by putting a drain round the church, now they had put the bells in order and also repaired the spire, for they did not wish worshippers to go to church at the risk of life. Their church was a great inheritance, the glory of their country-side, and when he looked upon their lofty spire he thought truly that the parish should be an example to the other parishes around. During the service special hymns were sung, and a collection taken in aid of the further restoration of the church.

The Curfew-bell at Sandwich.

THE curfew-bell at the old town of Sandwich, Kent, which has tolled for many centuries, is now in some danger of suppression, owing to the strained relations between the vicar and the sexton of St. Peter's. The latter is paid 8l. a year by the Corporation for ringing the bell; but the churchwardens have claimed the fund from which his salary as sexton has hitherto been paid. The rector declines to pay it, and it seems as though the dispute may result in the cessation of the bell that has sounded in the quiet little town at eight o'clock for so many hundred years.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Botolph's, Heene, Sussex.

ON Easter Monday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Steyning Branch of the Sussex County Association of Change-ringers rang Thurstan's Original peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 46 mins. Rev. F. A. H. du Boulay, 1; J. Smart, 2; G. Gadland, 3; W. N. Holt, 4; J. Woolgar, 5; C. Smart, 6; C. Tyler (conductor), 7; J. Matthews, 8.

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At St. Martin's, Salisbury.

On Monday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5152 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. S. Macey, 1; W. S. Wise, 2; H. D. Adams, 3; C. A. Clements, 4; R. W. J. Gollop, 5; T. Blackbourn, 6; A. P. Goddard, 7; W. W. Gifford, 8. Composed by Mr. Washbrook, and conducted by Mr. Gifford.

At All Saints', Duffield, Derbyshire.

On Monday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association rang a peal of 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 5 mins. G. Dawson, 1; S. Johnson, 2; A. Percival Heywood, Esq. (composer and conductor), 3; B. Sugden, 4; J. Howe, 5; R. S. Story, 6; W. Clarke, 7; W. Hickling, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. In this composition, which is now rung for the first time, the 2nd and 3rd are never in 6th's place.

At the Parish Church, Alton, Hants.

On Monday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. A. Smith, 1; H. Garfath (conductor), 2; A. Le Clerc, 3; J. Hawkes, 4; G. H. Barnett, 5; C. Fry, 6; A. White, 7; E. Clapshaw, 8. The first peal in the method rung on the bells, the last being BOB MAJOR on February 15th, 1789.

At St. Peter's, Caversham, Oxfordshire.

On Saturday, the 4th inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5056 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. H. Simmonds, 1; Jos. Hands, 2; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 3; A. W. Pike, 4; E. W. Menday, 5; G. Essex, 6; H. Smith, 7; T. Newman, 8. Composed by H. Martin, of Hendon, and conducted by T. Newman. Tenor, 14 cwt. First peal of MAJOR by St. Peter's Society, and the first on the bells since their augmentation from six to eight in Easter week.

At Salisbury.

On Tuesday, the 7th inst., four members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang, on handbells retained in wife, a peal of 5152 BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 25 mins. R. W. J. Gollop, 1-2; W. S. Wise, 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; C. Clements, 7-8. Composed by Mr. Washbrook, and conducted by Mr. Wise.

At Christ Church, Oxford.

On Thursday, the 9th inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 17 mins. E. Hind, 1; P. Hind, 2; C. Hounslow, 3; W. Finch, 4; J. W. Washbrook (composer and conductor), 5; W. Baston, 6; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 7; A. Barney, 8. Tenor, 40 cwt. In this composition the bobs are always in pairs, never more nor less. It contains twenty-six singles, and is the first peal ever rung without the use of more than two bobs in succession.

At St. Michael's, Aylsham, Norfolk.

On Monday, the 13th inst., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association and the St. Peter Mancroft Society rang Harrison's peal of 6432 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 4 hrs. 5 mins. G. Moy, 1; G. Howchin, 2; J. Moy, 3; A. J. Neale, 4; F. J. Howchin, 5; F. H. Knights, jun., 6; J. Smith, 7; F. Knights, sen. (conductor), 8. The peal was rung in honour of the birthday of F. H. Knights, jun., who attained the age of twenty-one on the above date. This is the longest length on the bells. Messrs. Moy and Neale belong to the local company; the others are from Norwich.

At St. Mary Magdalene's, Reigate, Surrey.

On Saturday, the 18th inst., eight members of the Surrey Association rang a peal of 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB in 3 hrs. 16½ mins. R. Arnold,* 1; H. Brooker,* 2; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 3; W. Burkin,* 4; J. Harding,* 5; E. Moses,* 6; G. Williams (composer and conductor), 7; J. W. Trappitt, 8. This is the first peal of DOUBLE NORWICH on the bells. Tenor, 21 cwt., in E flat. [* First peal in the method.]

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At St. PETER-AT-GOWTS, LINCOLN.—On Sunday evening, the 12th inst., for service, 720 DUKE OF YORK TREBLE BOB MINOR (with nine bobs) in 26 mins. W. Weaver, 1; T. Walker, 2; H. Hoyes, 3; P. Herrick, 4; H. Palmer, 5; W. Knowles (conductor), 6. This is the seventh different method now rung by the above company.

At GLOUCESTER.—On a Monday, at St. Mary-le-Crypt, 720 BOB MINOR. W. Pegler (first 720), 1; F. Gillet, 2; J. E. Groves, 3; W. J. Sevier (conductor), 4; T. Groves, 5; R. Brunson, 6. Tenor, 15 cwt., in E. And on a Sunday, at St. Michael's, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. C. Jones, 1; S. E. Romans, 2; W. Brunson, 3; F. E. Hart, 4; E. E. Bewick, 5; W. J. Sevier (conductor), 6. Tenor, 21 cwt.

At SITTINGBOURNE, KENT.—On a Sunday afternoon, for the Confirmation Service, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Dr. F. Grayling, 1; C. Willshire, 2; J. G. Elliott, 3; G. Ransom, 4; E. Price, 5; E. Humfrey (conductor), 6; S. Snelling, 7; W. Tassell, 8. Also for evening service, and as a farewell touch to Mr. E. Humfrey, who is leaving Sittingbourne, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. G. Willshire, 1; J. G. Elliott, 2; E. Price, 3; G. Ransom, 4; E. J. Bottle, 5; E. Humfrey (conductor), 6; S. Snelling, 7; W. Tassell, 8. G. Ransom came from Boughton, near Faversham; Tassell, Borden; the rest belong to St. Michael's Society, Sittingbourne.

At St. MARTIN'S, TIPTON, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On Easter Sunday, for morning service, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR was rung in 27 mins. by the following members of the Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Association:—H. Mills, 1; E. Goodred, 2; A. H. Hills, 3; S. Jesson, 4; G. Hughes, 5; W. R. Small (conductor), 6. Tenor, 12 cwt. 25 lbs.

At SWANSCOMBE, KENT.—On a Sunday, for Divine service in the evening, 720 OXFORD TRIPLE BOB. G. Hayes, 1; L. Digweed (first in the method with a bob-bell), 2; F. Ring, 3; M. Digby, 4; J. Broom, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6.

At St. JOHN-THE-BAPTIST'S, ERITH, KENT.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 40 mins. R. M'Whirter, 1; C. Wilkins, 2; H. Gibbs, 3; T. Saxby, 4; F. J. Cullum (conductor), 5; J. Garard, 6; G. Cullum, 7; C. Barber, 8.

At St. PETER'S, WOKING, SURREY.—On a Sunday, for Divine service in the evening, 1440 changes in four Minor methods, in 51 mins., being 360 each of OXFORD SINGLE, CANTERBURY PLEASURE, GRANDSIRE, and BOB MINOR. G. W. Furlonger, 1; A. J. W. Purdue, 2; C. B. Ryde, 3; W. C. Ryde (conductor), 4; F. C. Ryde, 5; F. Arnold, 6. Tenor, 20½ cwt.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, WOOLWICH, KENT.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (1260 changes) in 43 mins. H. Hill, 1; F. Grove, 2; W. G. Grove, 3; J. Beams, 4; J. Beaven, 5; J. C. Harvey (composer and conductor), 6; H. Harvey, 7; G. Beaven, 8.

At HOLY TRINITY, ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday, for evening service, 630 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. G. Treagus, 1; H. Haggett, 2; Rev. R. F. Tompkins, 3; C. Blackman, 4; E. Ede, 5; G. Balchin, 6; F. Luxford (conductor), 7; G. Baker, 8.

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offered to the successful writers on 'A Hundred Famous Cities,' the names of which are given. Amongst the short papers on various subjects we are glad to note a brief account, written by a Doctor, of 'The Invalid Children's Aid Association,' a society at present but two or three years old, formed for the purpose of befriending, in their own homes, the sick children of the London poor.

THE CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL MAGAZINE and CHURCH WORKER have reached us from the C. E. S. S. Institute. In the former periodical, perhaps, the most useful papers are that by the Rev. E. Hicks on 'Spirituality, Reality, and Zeal,' that by the Rev. R. H. Cantley on 'Village Sunday Schools,' and the Rev. T. Harding Squire's description of his sojourn 'Among the Samaritans;' and in the latter, Mr. Barber's 'Navy Life and Work,' and the third chapter of 'Women's Work among Women.'

THE CENTURY MAGAZINE contains a graphic account of the kind of fishing to be had in Florida, entitled 'Game Fishes of the Florida Reef,' by C. F. Holder; the commencement of a promising tale by Frank R. Stockton in his well-known amusing style, 'The Squirrel Inn;' some more reminiscences of the California gold fever, 'Pioneer Mining in California,' by E. G. Waite; a chapter of the secret history of the rebellion of the Southern States, 'The Confederate Diplomats and their Shirt of Nessus;' and many other interesting articles, short tales, and papers. It is, as usual, profusely illustrated, and the illustrations are—also as usual—the 'jewels' of the magazine.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

St. Sidwell's Guild of Ringers, Exeter.

ST. SIDWELL was a British maiden of noble birth—martyred near the spot where our Parish Church now stands, so long ago as A.D. 740. A church was erected soon afterwards, and one has stood here ever since. Bishop Blondy (January 12th, 1247) mentions it as forming one of the sixteen churches contained in Bishop Marshall's mandate, 'within the walls of Exeter and its immediate suburb.' Peter de Palerna, in his grant drawn up between 1210 and 1216, mentions St. Sidwell's first of all the local churches. All save the western tower was rebuilt early in this century (1812), the fine old fourteenth-century arcades being re-erected on the original lines. The western tower is by far the finest in Exeter. It was built in the fifteenth century, but during the Rebellion (1649) it suffered severely. At that time the church was used as a prison by the Royalists; and the father of Sir Walter Raleigh—of everlasting memory—was confined in this very tower. Afterwards, in the middle of the seventeenth century, it was partly rebuilt; and early in the present one, the ugly wooden spirelet was added. The weather-cock that graces the top originally did duty on the low spire that for many years crowned the north tower of Exeter Cathedral. The eight bells were recast in 1773. Three of them formerly belonged to the ancient church of Allhallows-on-the-Walls. This church, during the siege by the Parliamentary army, had a culverin placed on it by the Royalists; and was practically demolished in the fight. Afterwards, the Republican governor ordered the three bells which the tower contained to be melted down for cannon. The inhabitants of St. Sidwell's hearing of this, and headed by George Cheeke, a worthy and well-known brewer of the parish (who lent his dray and several horses), went by night privately, and removed them to their own belfry, where they have remained ever since.

When the parish bells were rehung in 1875, a cage for ten bells was constructed and placed in the tower, the intention being to increase them to ten by the addition of two smaller ones; but from want of funds, these could not be obtained, and for sixteen years two pits have remained empty. It is now proposed to finish this work, the effect of which will be to give the parish and ringers a fine ring of ten musical bells, certainly second to none in the West of England. The present lovely ring of eight will not be interfered with in any way, and the expense of these two bells will be about 100*l.* Contributions to the amount of 20*l.* 15*s.* have been already promised. Further contributions will be thankfully received by the Hon. Secretary or Hon. Treasurer.

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Consecration of Bells at Llancarvan.

ON Tuesday morning, the 21st ult., Llancarvan Church was the scene of the ceremony of the consecration of a ring of bells by the Bishop of Llandaff. It seems that during the last half-century the sound of the church bells had not broken on the stillness of the historic Llancarvan Valley—a spot consecrated to pious uses since at least the earliest ages of the history of Christianity in Wales. Twenty years ago, when the Rev. A. T. Hughes, the present vicar, was appointed to the living, the church itself had fallen into a wretched condition of dilapidation. He then spent 800*l.* in restoring the venerable shrine of Cattwg the Wise to a condition somewhat worthy of its noble purpose and venerable associations. As might be expected, Llancarvan Church is a remarkably interesting building. In the work of restoration the present enlightened vicar has dealt with its archaeological remains with loving care, so that the interior of the building retains all its primitive appearance. When the vicar succeeded in obtaining funds to restore the nave and chancel he was unable to restore the belfry and recast the bells. Lately,

however, he has been successful in both. The square tower, with antique windows of Bath stone, is an effective addition to the church's pleasant appearance. The original bells, four in number, bore the names—Sir Thos. Lewis, Van, Caerphilly, and the date 1646; Thos. Bassett, Llanveithyn, 1664; C. J. J. H. and T. S., 1646; and Gibbon, 1664. Two of the present bells were presented by Mr. G. T. Clark, Talygarn. One of these is a recast of the bell presented by Sir Thomas Lewis, Van, in memory of Mrs. Ann Price Clark, his wife, who was a descendant of the Sir Thomas mentioned above. The other is a recast of the Gibbon bell, now presented by his descendant, the present Mr. J. S. Gibbon, Newton, Cowbridge. The cost incurred by the Rev. A. T. Hughes amounts to 800*l.*, 200*l.* of which is given by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. A balance of 35*l.* remains to be collected.

Among those present at the consecration service were the Bishop of Llandaff, Canon Evans, Rhymney; the Revs. A. T. Hughes, D. Bowen, Cowbridge; E. Jenkins, Llanmihangel; T. Rees, M.A., Cowbridge Schools; J. Jones, Bassaleg, and S. Jones, Flimstone; Mr. O. H. Jones, Fonmon Castle, and Mr. Jenkin Matthews, Rhymney.

The Lord Bishop, during the consecration portion of the service, stood in the entrance into the belfry, with the Vicar of Llancarvan and Canon Evans. His Lordship afterwards preached a sermon founded on Numb. x. 10. A confirmation service was held in the afternoon, and a Welsh one in the evening. All the work has been done by Llewellyns & James, Bristol, and most efficiently carried out.

The Anniversary at Braughing, Ware, Herts.

The anniversary will take place, as usual, on Saturday, May 9th, instead of the 10th (Sunday), to commemorate the famous peal of 10,080 BOB MAJOR, rung on the 10th of May, 1779, by the local band. Squire Proctor will be there with his band, and will be pleased to see all friends. A dinner will be provided at the 'Bell Inn.'

The Lancashire Association.

ROCHDALE, ROSSENDALE, AND BLACKBURN BRANCHES.—A meeting was held on Saturday, the 18th ult., at Haslingdon. There were members present from Helmsshore, Ramsbottom, Bury, Heywood, Rewtenstall, Newchurch, Bacup, Haslingdon, and Blackburn. Touches of GRANDSIRE were rung, also 720 MINOR. A good and instructive meeting was held. It was decided to hold another during June at the seaside. Lytham was the place selected.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the meeting of this Society, held at St. Saviour's, Southwark, on Tuesday evening, the 21st ult., a resolution was carried without dissent, 'That this Society do not book peals of TRIPLES, CATERS, or CINQUES, rung without a covering bell.'

At the previous meeting, on the 7th ult., Miss Rosa Macalpin-Leny, of Speldhurst Rectory, Tunbridge Wells, was elected a honorary member of the Society. It will be remembered that this lady very kindly entertained the members of this Society at Speldhurst last summer.

It may be mentioned that Mr. J. R. Haworth attained his seventieth year on the above day, having been born on the 21st of April, 1821, and the members congratulated him on the event. RICHARD T. WOODLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

CHANGE-RINGING.

Clerkenwell Society of Ringers, London.

THE following members met at St. James's Church, on Saturday, 4th ult., and rang the bells muffled, as a last mark of respect to the late Mr. George Bissmire, E. Ricketts (conductor), 1; H. Mandeville, 2; J. T. Knight, 3; E. March, 4; J. Bissmire (nephew), 5; R. Matthews, 6; J. Looker, 7; J. Rayner, 8. Mr. Bissmire was brother to the late Mr. John Bissmire, sexton and steeple-keeper of St. James's Church.

At the Parish Church, Lavenham, Suffolk.

ON Saturday, the 18th ult., eight members of the Essex Association rung a peal of 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 20 mins. S. Slater, 1; F. Wells, 2; H. Smith, 3; T. King, 4; R. Brett, 5; A. Symonds, 6; R. Theobald, 7; R. Gowers, 8. Composed by the late Mr. W. Sottenstall, and conducted by Mr. Slater. Messrs. Slater and Wells came from Glemsford; Gowers, Theobald, and Brett, from Stanstead; the remainder belonging to the local band.

At St. Andrew's, Wells Street, London.

ON Saturday, the 18th ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstan's peal of 5040 SIEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 3 mins. J. Pettit, 1; W. E. Garrard, 2; F. E. Dawe (conductor), 3; F. I. Davies, 4; Jos. Mascull, 5; H. P. Harman, 6; W. T. Codrington, 7; A. W. Barkus, 8. Tenor 21 cwt., in E.

At All Saints', Maidenhead, Berks.

ON Monday, the 20th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a variation of Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 46 mins. G. Stanbrook, 1; A. Andrews, 2; J. W. Wilkins (conductor), 3; F. Bissley, 4; G. H. Wilkins, 5; J. W. G. Morrison, 6; A. E. Hoskins, 7; J. Woolford, 8. Tenor, 17½ cwt. Messrs. Stanbrook and Andrews came from Windsor; Richardson, Beerham, and this is his first peal of TRIPLES; the others are local men. The above was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Rector of Farnham Royal, the Rev. F. Marshall, he being not only a respected member of the above Guild, but also one of the founders.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 414.

At Winchester Cathedral.

ON Tuesday, the 21st ult., the following members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild of Change-ringers started at 5 p.m. for Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. Staples, 1; J. Ballard, 2; F. Wilson, 3; J. E. Warren, 4; Rev. A. D. Hill, 5; H. White (conductor), 6; J. W. Whiting, 7; F. Hughes, 8. About 1600 from the end the tenor man gave up, which caused some scrambling for a time, but the band succeeded in accomplishing the peal without a tenor in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 32 cwt.

At St. Giles's, Camberwell, London.

ON Saturday, the 11th inst., ten members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5040 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 27 mins. A. Jacob, 1; E. F. Cole, 2; J. Rogers, 3; B. Foskett, 4; W. W. Thorne (first peal of ROYAL), 5; A. Pittam, 6; H. Swain, 7; H. Dains, 8; G. Newson, 9; H. A. Hopkins, 10. Composed by J. Reeves, and conducted by G. Newson. Tenor, 25 cwt. The above peal was rung to commemorate the fixing of a tablet recording a peal of SPEDMAN CATERS rung by the Society at the above church on Saturday, January 3rd, 1891, in which Mr. W. G. Bull took part, and to whom the members are greatly indebted for his liberality. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar (the Rev. Frederick Kelly) and churchwardens for permission to place the same in the tower; also for the use of the bells on this and several previous occasions.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. MARTIN'S, BIRMINGHAM.—On Tuesday, the 14th ult., the following members of the St. Martin's Guild rang a date touch of 1891 STEDMAN CINQUES in 1 hr. 25 mins. J. Day, 1; T. Russam, 2; J. Joynes, 3; H. Bastable, 4; W. R. Small, 5; J. W. Cartwright, 6; W. Mundy, 7; C. Stanbridge, 8; W. Long, 9; B. Witcheil, 10; T. Reynolds, 11; H. Johnson, 12. Composed by A. P. Heywood, Esq., and conducted by H. Bastable. Tenor, 36 cwt., in C. The musical composition contains the large bells at home at hand-stroke each course-end throughout.

AT ST. SAVIOUR'S, LEICESTER.—On Saturday, the 25th ult., a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. R. Kirby, 1; A. Millis, 2; J. O. Lancashire, 3; S. Cotton, 4; G. Walton, 5; W. Challoner, 6; J. Needham, 7; J. Tomlinson, 8. Tenor, 27 cwt., in E flat.

AT ST. THOMAS'S, NORTHAW, HERTS.—On Easter Sunday, 720 BOB DOUBLES in 27 mins. W. H. Bousey, Esq. (first 720), 1; F. Stiles (conductor), 2; W. Tucker, Esq., 3; J. Stevens, 4; G. Stevens (first 720), 5; C. Griggs, 6. On April 6th, STEDMAN DOUBLES. W. H. Bousey, Esq., 1; F. Stiles, 2; W. Tucker, Esq., 3; J. Stevens, 4; Rev. W. Bousey (conductor), 5; C. Griggs, 6. And on April 13th, 720 BOB MINOR. C. Griggs, 1; F. Stiles, 2; W. Tucker, Esq., 3; J. Stevens, 4; W. H. Bousey, Esq., 5; Rev. W. Bousey (conductor), 6. Tenor, 12 cwt. 3 qrs. 26 lbs. Each of the above-named ringers in the two latter peals rang them for the first time on the above dates. They are all members of the Northaw Band of Ringers.

AT ST. PAUL'S, WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.—On Easter Sunday, the 29th ult., 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR was rung before morning service in 25½ mins. J. Worthington (conductor), 1; Jno. Potter, 2; Jno. Denner, 3; S. Oakes, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; J. Brookes, 6. Also, before afternoon service, 720 BOB MINOR in 26½ mins. A. Potter, 1; Jno. Potter, 2; Jno. Denner, 3; Jos. Potter, 4; J. Brookes (conductor), 5; J. Worthington, 6. And for evening service, 720 BOB MINOR in 26 mins. J. Worthington, 1; Jno. Potter, 2; Jno. Denner, 3; J. Brookes (conductor), 4; J. Williamson, 5; S. Oakes, 6.

AT ST. PETER'S, SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.—On Easter Sunday the bells of St. Peter's Church were rung during the day. St. Gregory's bells could not be rung, owing to an accident to the tenor wheel. This, we hope, will soon be remedied. For morning service at St. Peter's a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung, also for the evening service. After the evening service a quarter-peal of 1260 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 48 mins. by the following:—W. Howell, jun., 1; M. Silvester, 2; G. S. Brown, 3; W. Cross, 4; W. Howell, sen., 5; H. Harper, 6; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 7; H. Brackett, 8. Also on Monday, touches of GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN TRIPLES were rung during the afternoon and evening. Also on Monday, the 13th inst., a touch of 1008 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 43 mins. W. Cross, 1; M. Silvester, 2; G. S. Brown, 3; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 4; W. B. Ransom, Esq., 5; A. Scott, 6; H. Harper, 7; H. Brackett, 8. Also after service a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Tenor, 23 cwt., in E flat.

AT CHRIST CHURCH, OLDBURY, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On Easter Sunday, after evening service, a touch of 518 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. W. Sayer, Esq., 1; W. R. Small, 2; J. R. Frisby, 3; J. Hall, 4; C. Price, 5; R. Hall, 6; H. Mills, 7; W. Gould, 8. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

AT ST. MARY'S, WALTER BELCHAMP, SUFFOLK.—On Easter Monday morning three members of the Sudbury Company of Change-ringers, with those of the Belchamp ringers, rang a peal of 720 BOB MINOR. W. Firmin (Belchamp), 1; W. Howell, jun. (Sudbury), 2; G. S. Brown (Sudbury), 3; F. Hawkins (Belchamp), 4; C. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 5; N. Hawkins (Belchamp, conductor), 6. Also a peal of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. W. Firmin, 1; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 2; G. Brown, 3; W. Howell, 4; N. Hawkins, 5; F. Hawkins, 6.

NOTICE.—We beg to remind our readers that we go to press early on Thursday morning, and that to ensure insertion in the current number all Reports of Meetings, &c., ought to reach us not later than the first post on Monday morning, and Touches, Peals, Notices, &c., not later than first post on Wednesday morning. All communications should be addressed either to the Publishing Office, 12 Southampton Street, Strand, London, W.C.; to the Printing Office, Messrs. Strangeways, Tower Street, Cambridge Circus, W.C.; or to Mr. J. R. Haworth, 42 Exmouth Street, Clerkenwell.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Anniversary at Braughing, Ware, Herts.

THE anniversary will take place, as usual, on Saturday, May 9th, instead of the 10th (Sunday), to commemorate the famous peal of 10,080 BOB MAJOR, rung on the 10th of May, 1779, by the local band. Squire Proctor will be there with his band, and will be pleased to see all friends. A dinner will be provided at the 'Bell Inn.'

The Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Society of Church Bell-ringers.

THE Annual Meeting will be held on Whit-Monday, the 18th inst., at Earls Barton. Teams from Earls Barton, Wellingborough, Rushden, Kettering, Higham Ferrers, and Raunds, will attend. The sermon at the service will be preached by the Rev. R. R. Cobbold, vicar of Earls Barton. Each set of ringers to bring their cards of membership for the present year, signed by their clergyman.

HUGH BRYAN, *Hon. Sec.*

Dedication of Bells at Great Ryburgh, Norfolk.

WEDNESDAY, the 22nd ult., was a day long to be remembered in this parish, as it was the day of the dedication of the new ring of bells, the memorial gift of the family of the late Mrs. Jacobs-Smith. Morning service was held at eleven o'clock, and was well attended, the sermon being preached by the Rev. W. M. Hoare, R.D.; and then did the bells ring out their 720 changes, ably handled by the St. Peter's Mancroft Company of Ringers. At one o'clock the invited guests, to the number of fifty, sat down to a lunch provided by the kind hospitality of the Messrs. Smith. The rector presided, and was supported by the Messrs. Smith, Mr. Jacobs-Smith (the donor of the new church porch), Rev. Earle Bulwer (the active secretary of the Norfolk Ringers' Association), Mr. Taylor of Loughborough, and Messrs. Cooper, Salisbury, &c. Between the toasts the Norwich ringers played tunes on the handbells. Evening service was held at seven o'clock, when the church was crowded. The preacher was the Rev. W. Tatham.

The Parish Church and Bells of Hertingfordbury, Herts.

THIS church, which is dedicated to St. Mary, and supposed to have been originally built in the early part of the fifteenth century, has been thoroughly restored by Earl Cowper, K.G., and was reopened on the morning of Friday, May 1st, the services being conducted by the Bishop of St. Albans. Great care has been taken in the process of renovation to preserve every feature which was of interest. The decayed roof of the church and chancel has given place to a red-tiled one, the interior being of oak. The windows are untouched, except where the stones were so decayed that they had to be replaced by new ones. The floor of the communion is laid with marble, and the altar rails are of alabaster. The Cowper Mausoleum is entirely new and handsome, with a groined roof and marble floor. The tower also has been thoroughly restored; the embattlements are entirely new, as well as the steeple. The five bells have been rehung in a new oak frame, with new stocks, wheels, &c., and fitted with Ellacombe chiming hammers. The second bell, which has been cracked for some time, has been recast. This has been done by Mr. J. Gray, bellhanger, of Hertford. The cost of the work has been considerable, and Lord Cowper has spared no expense in carrying out a complete restoration.

For evening service on the above date, six peals (120 changes each) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES (each called differently) were rung in 24 mins. H. Baker (Hertford) 1; S. Knight (Hertford), 2; G. Smith (Middlesex Association), 3; J. Cull, 4; Jasper G. Crawley (conductor), 5. Tenor, 11 cwt. Messrs. Cull and Crawley belong to the parochial society. This was followed by 120 STEDMAN DOUBLES and three more peals (120) of GRANDSIRE.

Muffled Peals at Farnham Royal, Bucks.

ON Wednesday, the 15th ult., the inhabitants of Farnham Royal were deeply grieved by the death of their revered Rector, the Rev. S. F. Marshall, who for thirty-seven years had held the incumbency. The bells were rung muffled for Divine service on the following Sunday, and seldom has the parish churchyard of Farnham Royal presented so sad a spectacle as on Monday afternoon, the 20th ult., when the mortal remains were consigned to their last resting-place by four of the choir and four of the ringers. A large concourse assembled, anxious to pay a last tribute of regard to the memory of one who had been so long associated with every useful undertaking in the district. At the close of the burial service the ringers rang, with the bells muffled, a peal (120) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, which was followed with the whole-pull-and-stand seventy-five times, and then 720 OXFORD BOB MIXOR in 29 mins. G. Basden, 1; J. Basden, 2; J. J. Parker (conductor), 3; J. W. Wilkins, 4; R. Flaxman, 5; C. Clarke, 6. Thus ended one of the most impressive funerals which the parishioners had witnessed for more than a generation. The bells were rung half-muffled for service on the Sunday after the funeral.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Mary's, Old Battersea, London.

ON Saturday, the 25th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang Holt's original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 52 mins. H. N. Davis,* 1; W. Baron, sen. (conductor), 2; W. Baron, jun., 3; S. Baker, 4; W. Jones, 5; E. F. Cole, 6; H. A. Hopkins, 7; A. R. Davis,* 8. Tenor, 15½ cwt. [* First peal.]

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 432.

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At St. Bartholomew's, Horley, Surrey.

ON Sunday, the 19th ult., a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR was rung in 2 hrs. 53 mins. by the following members of the Sussex County Association:—R. Jordan, 1; E. Moses, 2; J. Parker, 3; J. Taylor, 4; F. Rice, 5; F. Wickens, 6; G. Williams, 7; H. Weston, 8. Composed by H. Dains, and conducted by Geo. Williams. This is the first peal of MAJOR on the bells. Tenor, 14 cwt., in G. Messrs. Williams and Weston came from Brighton, Mr. Moses from Reigate, the rest from Crawley, and they wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells.

At St. Peter's, Drayton, Berks.

ON Thursday, the 23rd ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 26 mins. H. Fruin, 1; W. Baston, 2; T. Short, 3; Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, 4; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 5; F. White, 6; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 7; S. White, 8. Tenor, 9½ cwt., in G. The quickest peal of STEDMAN ever rung, it being one minute quicker than the previous quick one, which occupied 2 hrs. 27 mins. The bells started into changes at 7.21, and were brought round at 9.47 by the clock in the belfry.

At St. Mary's, Slough, Bucks.

ON Saturday, the 25th ult., eight members of the the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 56 mins. G. Newton (conductor), 1; B. Foskett, 2; W. Short,* 3; A. Jacob, 4; A. C. Fussell, 5; C. H. Martin,* 6; J. Barber, 7; E. Woodley, 8. Tenor, 9 cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells. [* First peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES.]

At St. Giles's, Ashted, Surrey.

ON Saturday, the 25th ult., eight members of the Surrey Association rang a peal of 6000 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 26 mins. E. Matthews,* 1; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 2; E. Bennett, 3; F. Holder,† 4; Jos. Fayers, 5; J. Harding, 6; C. Bance, 7; J. W. Trappitt, 8. Composed by S. Thurston and conducted by Dr. A. B. Carpenter. Tenor, 14 cwt. The longest peal by the above Association. [* First peal in the method. † First peal in the method with a bob-bell.]

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Lambeth, London.

ON Monday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Fred. G. Newman, 1; J. Pettit, 2; H. Langdon (birthday), 3; C. F. Winny, 4; H. R. Newton (conductor), 5; W. E. Garrard, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; W. Copley, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt.

At Christ Church, West Bromwich, Staffordshire.

ON Thursday, the 30th ult., the following members of the Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang a peal of 5003 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 5 mins.:—H. Hippias, 1; S. Reeves, 2; J. Carter, 3; J. R. Frisby, 4; J. Jones, 5; T. Horton, 6; W. R. Small, 7; R. Hall, 8; C. Price, 9; J. Hall, 10. The composition (having the 6th twenty-four times wrong and right with only two singles) was composed and conducted by Mr. Carter, of Birmingham.

At the Parish Church, High Wycombe, Bucks.

ON Friday, the 1st inst., Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 3 hrs. 8 mins. by the following members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild (South Bucks and East Berks Branch):—E. Gadsden,* 1; J. W. Washbrook, 2; A. Kirby, 3; A. Headey,* 4; W. Whiffin, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 6; A. W. Tubb (conductor), 7; B. Page and E. Britnell (first peal as conductor), 8. Tenor, 23 cwt. Rung to commemorate the wedding of the Rev. James Halliburton Young, of Westbrook House, Farringdon, Berks, to Miss Alice Maud Chilton, youngest daughter of the Rev. R. Chilton, R.D., vicar of the parish of High Wycombe. [* First peal.]

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. GILES'S, CRIPPLEGATE, CITY OF LONDON.—On Tuesday, the 28th ult., the following members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang three leads of KENT TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS and two courses of STEDMAN CINQUES, complimentary to Mr. J. R. Haworth, who arrived at seventy years of age on the previous Tuesday, having been born on the 21st of April, 1821. J. Pettit (conductor), 1; W. Cooter, 2; R. T. Woodley, 3; J. R. Haworth, 4; C. F. Winny, 5; T. Hattersley (Sheffield), 6; G. Dorrington, 7; W. Burkin, 8; E. Horrex, 9; W. D. Smith, 10; W. T. Cockerill, 11; F. G. Newman, 12.

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A testimonial from Rev. J. TUCKER, Pastor of the Baptist church, Blaenavon. Mr. Tucker, writing me Nov. 1st, 1890, says:—

'I have recommended your treatment in many cases. It was about two years ago I was strongly urged by a brother minister to use your medicine for my voice, and I found it an excellent remedy.'

'I have a morning service, a large Bible-class in the afternoon, a little sick visiting in general; also I love to take part in the singing; so that by the evening service I feel a want of something. I now invariably find that something in your 'Elixir.' I well saturate a lump of sugar and let it dissolve in the mouth, and my voice becomes clear and resonant, even after the evening service is over. I write this, thinking that some other hard-working brother may, if made aware of it, derive help from this very pleasant and efficacious remedy.'

CASES OF CONSUMPTION AT BURY, LANC.

Letter from Rev. STEPHEN FORRESTER, Wesleyan Minister:—

'My dear Sir,—I have for more than four years recommended your medicine with well-grounded confidence, and always keep it in my own house.'

'Within the last few weeks I have successfully recommended it in three cases, and the testimonies given as to its beneficial effects are most gratifying. One of these is very encouraging. It is that of a good but very poor man who is obliged to depend entirely on his wife's work. He seemed doomed to Consumption, but has derived very great benefit from your medicine.'—STEPHEN FORRESTER, Dec. 13th, 1891.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Anniversary at Braughing, Ware, Herts.

THE Annual Ringing Festival was observed here on Saturday, the 9th inst. This day has been kept as a festival for one hundred and twelve years, in commemoration of the famous peal of 10,080 BOB MAJOR rung in 1779 by the local band. It is generally agreed among ringers that it would be difficult to find anywhere in the county a more perfect ring of eight than the Braughing bells—tenor, 19 cwt., in F sharp. The day was ushered in by the local ringers, who rang the bells as the visitors entered the village. The dinner took place at the 'Bell' Inn, at which the Vicar (Rev. F. G. Ward) presided, Mr. Churchwarden Kirby occupying the vice-chair, supported by Squire Proctor, Mr. Rochester, Mr. Haworth, Mr. Rivers, &c. About forty sat down to dinner. During the day the following methods were rung by Squire Proctor and his band from Benington—Messrs. Warner, Jos. Kitchener, I. Chapman, Warner, jun., John Kitchener, Page (conductor), and Shambrook; J. R. Haworth (London), G. Rochester (Sawbridge), Mr. Crabb (Hunsdon), taking a part in some of the ringing:—GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, STEDMAN TRIPLES, KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, and SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR. About 3360 changes were rung. Besides the above, Mr. Tarling (Sawbridgeworth), Mr. Gray (bell-hanger, Hertford), Mr. Chapman (Little Munden), Mr. Bruce (West Mill), and ringers from Ware, with their handbells, were among the company. Merry tunes were played on the handbells during the afternoon, with which the company was much pleased. Altogether it was a very successful meeting.

A Ring of Eight Bells at St. Lawrence's, Isle of Thanet, Kent.

THE eight bells at the above church were dedicated on Friday, May 1st. At 4 o'clock, the choir and clergy of St. Lawrence's, the Rev. E. W. Carpenter (Hon. Secretary of the Kent County Association), and the Dean of Canterbury, proceeded from the vestry to the ringing-chamber. The office of dedication was said by the Dean, assisted by the Vicar (Rev. M. Fowler). After the short service several touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES were rung by mixed bands (ringers being present from Canterbury, Margate, Boughton, Faversham, Birchington, &c.), and rounds by the local men. Ringing was kept up until evening at 7 o'clock, when an excellent sermon was preached by the Dean of Canterbury to a large congregation, the office being sung by the Vicar, and the lessons read by the Revs. E. W. Carpenter and J. Campbell.

There was formerly a ring of six bells at St. Lawrence's. The third and fourth have been recast, and two trebles added by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank.

On Saturday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Thurstan's peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. A. Moorcraft, 1; W. E. Pope, 2; E. Price, 3; Rev. T. J. O. Helmore, 4; Rev. E. W. Carpenter, 5; A. Palmer, 6; E. Pope (first peal as conductor in the method), 7; W. Boulden, 8. Tenor, 18 cwt. The first peal in the method by a band resident in the county. [*First peal in the method.]

Some of the band took part in a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS at the Waterloo Tower, Quex Park, in the early hours of the following Sunday morning, and in the afternoon paid a visit to Margate, where with the Rev. E. W. Carpenter they rang 500 STEDMAN TRIPLES at St. John's Church. Rev. E. W. Carpenter, 1; W. Pope, 2; A. Moorcraft, 3; G. Lindoff (conductor), 4; W. E. Pope, 5; A. Palmer, 6; S. Snelling, 7; W. W. Boulden, 8. Also a short touch of TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

The Bells of Bleadon, Somersetshire.

THE bells of the Parish Church have lately been put into good ringing order by Messrs. Llewellyns & James, of Bristol. These bells, five in number, were cast 180 years ago by Bilbie, a Somersetshire founder of some repute at the beginning of the last century. The inscription on the tenor bell is:—'1711, BILBI CAST WE, IOHN CHAMPION, VMPEFY CHAMPION, CHURCHWARDENS WHEN ALL WE WAS CAST.' About two years ago it was found that the condition of the bells and their fittings was such that to ring them would endanger the tower as well as the bells themselves, and accordingly the Rector and Churchwardens forbade their being rung. For some time no steps were taken to break the silence of the old tower, but at the Tithe Dinner last November the subject was discussed, and a determination made to raise the needful funds. Mr. Churchwarden Young and Mr. James Durston undertook to canvass the parish, and the Rector to write to landowners and outside friends. The joint efforts of these gentlemen were speedily crowned with success; the order for the work was given before Christmas, and the work in the tower itself was commenced in the middle of February, and completed in a fortnight. The work done includes the quarter-turning of the bells, so that the new clappers strike on new metal, and their re-hanging with an entirely new set of fittings. In addition to this, an Ellacombe chiming apparatus has been fixed, and the bells can now be properly chimed. The first peal on the newly-hung bells was rung on the 27th of February, and at Eastertide the village was made joyful by a good amount of hearty ringing. The bells swing very easily, and the excellent manner in which the work has been carried out reflects great credit upon the firm entrusted with it. The total cost has been under 60l., and it is most satisfactory to report that the contributions amounted to 61l. 8s. 6d. The small balance will be spent in providing some necessary furniture and fittings for the ringing-chamber, &c. Altogether the parish is to be congratulated upon the satisfactory completion of the work.—*Local paper.*

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 450.

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The Bells at St. Paul's, Clapton Park, London.

On Friday evening, the 8th inst., 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR were rung on the bells in 23 mins. by the following:—J. C. Davidson, 1; J. Pettit, 2; W. D. Smith, 3; E. T. Edridge, 4; G. J. Smith, 5; W. Burkin (conductor), 6. This is the first peal on the bells, which are a recasting. The inscriptions on them are as follows: No. 1, cast 1683, recast 1890; 2, cast 1683; recast 1890; 3, cast 1890; 4, cast 1682, recast 1890; 5, cast 1607, recast 1890; 6 cast 1607, recast 1890. These bells, originally in the church of All Hallows Staining, City of London, were recast in 1890, and hung here by order of the Grocers' Company by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, Whitechapel Foundry, London.

Death of a Ringer.

WE regret to have to announce the death, after an illness of only three days, of H. Nunn, jun., of Walthamstow, leaving a widow and eight children to mourn his loss. We wish to call the attention of the benevolent to the great loss his family have sustained.

On Saturday, the 2nd inst., as a token of respect, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung, with the bells half muffled, at St. Mary's, Walthamstow. W. Coakham, 1; H. Scarlett (conductor), 2; R. Maynard, 3; R. Pearson, 4; W. Manning, 5; J. Cullen, 6; J. Turner, 7; T. Watson, 8. Also, at Woodford, on the 7th inst., the usual whole-pull-and-stand, also 720 BOB MINOR. H. Scarlett (conductor), 1; W. Smith, 2; R. Pearson, 3; F. —, 4; J. Marks, 5; G. Cornell, 6.

A Query.

SIR,—Can you kindly tell me in your correspondence notes how many bell-ringers there probably are belonging to our Church?—C. H.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At Christ Church, Southgate, London.

On Saturday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang Shipway's peal of 6160 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 4 hrs. 4 mins. E. Edridge, 1; B. Foskett, 2; C. H. Martin, 3; W. Short, 4; W. A. Hopkins, 5; J. Barber, 6; A. Jacob, 7; G. Newson (conductor), 8. Tenor, 25 cwt.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Speldhurst, Kent.

On Saturday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. G. A. Card (first peal as conductor), 1; J. Baker, 2; R. Pelling, 3; T. Card, 4; F. Still (first peal of TRIPLES), 5; J. Maynard, 6; W. Latter, 7; S. Hodges, 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, Herts.

On Saturday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Hertford County Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. W. Hewitt,* 1; R. Weatherly, 2; G. W. Cartmel, 3; H. G. Rowe, 4; H. J. Wright,* 5; H. Brewer, 6; E. P. Debenham (conductor), 7; A. Childs,* 8. Messrs. Debenham, Cartmel, Brewer, and Weatherly came from St. Albans; the others belong to the local Company. [* First peal.]

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Fakenham, Norfolk.

On Monday, the 4th inst., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association rang a peal of 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. J. Smith, 1; G. Moy, 2; G. Howchin, 3; A. J. Neale, 4; F. H. Knights, jun., 5; F. J. Howchin, 6; J. Skinner, 7; F. Knights, sen., 8. Composed by the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, and conducted by Mr. F. Knights. Tenor, 22 cwt. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a last tribute of respect to Captain A. P. Moore, of Weybread House, late member of the above Association. The first peal on the bells. Messrs. Moy and Neale came from Aylsham; the others from Norwich.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. PAUL'S, WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.—On Sunday evening, the 19th ult., 720 BOB MINOR in 25¼ mins. J. Brookes, 1; Jno. Potter, 2; R. Aldred (Tyldesley), 3; S. Oakes, 4; A. Potter, 5; W. Denner (conductor), 6. Also, on Sunday, the 3rd inst. (being the occasion of the anniversary sermons), 720 BOB MINOR were rung at 6.30 a.m. in 26 mins. W. Denner (conductor), 1; J. Worthington, 2; J. Denner, 3; J. Williamson, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; A. Potter, 6. Also (at 10.30 service) 720 KENT TREBLE BOB in 26 mins. A. Potter, 1; J. Worthington, 2; J. Welsby, 3; J. Williamson, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; W. Denner (conductor), 6. Also at the afternoon service, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 25¼ mins. W. Denner (conductor), 1; J. Worthington, 2; S. Oakes, 3; A. Potter, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; J. Brookes, 6. And at the evening service 720 KENT TREBLE BOB in 26 mins. J. Brookes, 1; J. Welsby (Worsley), 2; J. Worthington, 3; J. Williamson, 4; E. Cash (Swinton), 5; W. Denner (conductor), 6. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.—On Monday, the 20th ult., 720 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, with 4-6-8 covering. J. Bartholomew, 1; T. Shanks, 2; W. Ware, 3; H. Webb (conductor), 4; T. Gosling, 5; H. Mead, 6; F. Tindall, 7; G. Williams, 8. Also four courses of TRIPLES. H. Mead, 1; W. Ware, 2; J. Bartholomew, 3; T. Shanks, 4; T. Gosling, 5; R. Flaxman (conductor), 6; G. Williams, 7; H. Webb, 8. This was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Rev. S. F. Marshall, late rector of Farnham Royal.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, FOXEARTH, ESSEX.—On Saturday, the 25th ult., 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR. R. Mingay, 1; S. Evans, 2; G. Green,

3; F. Hawkins, 4; N. Hawkins, 5; W. Gridley (conductor), 6. On Sunday afternoon, the 26th ult., for Divine service, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR. W. Gridley, 1; R. Theobald, 2; G. Green, 3; S. Evans, 4; R. Brett, 5; A. Clarke (conductor), 6. In the evening 560 BOB MAJOR. A. Clarke, 1; R. Brett, 2; S. Evans, 3; G. Green, 4; R. Theobald, 5; R. Inch, 6; G. Smith, 7; O. Garwood (conductor), 8. And a course of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR. O. Garwood, 1; G. Green, 2; S. Evans, 3; A. Clarke, 4; R. Theobald, 5; R. Inch, 6; G. Smith, 7; R. Brett, 8. The Messrs. Hawkins came from Belchamp; Garwood, Glemsford; Clarke, Brett, Theobald, and Smith, Stanstead, Suffolk; the others are local men.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GREAT WALDINGFIELD, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, the 3rd inst., was rung a peal of 720 BOB MINOR. W. Gridley (conductor), 1; R. Theobald, 2; S. Evans, 3; R. Inch, 4; G. Green, 5; W. Bantock, 6. Also another 720. W. Gridley, 1; R. Inch, 2; G. Green, 3; W. Leeks, 4; S. Evans, 5; H. Diggins (conductor), 6. Messrs. Gridley, Inch, Green, and Evans belong to Foxearth; the rest are local men.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GIGGLESWICK, YORKSHIRE.—On Sunday, the 10th inst., for Divine service, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR in 28 mins. W. Middleton (Settle), 1; J. L. Bulcock, 2; W. Fell (conductor), 3; S. James, 4; J. Parker, 5; J. Morphet, 6.

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Who came to Coombe Lodge as a patient last July. Colds, one after another, in rapid succession had brought on a very weak condition of lungs with symptoms threatening Consumption (which disease had been manifest in the family). In addition to some of the ordinary symptoms, there were very severe pains in the left side, exhausting sweats both night and day; pulse exceedingly weak.

Writing December 14th, she speaks of her condition as above-named, and adds:—'I am anxious to thank you for the very great benefit I received from your advice. I shall do all in my power to make your treatment known.—S. J. HOSSACK, 1 Arnold Street, Manchester Road, WARRINGTON.'

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Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

ON Saturday, April 25th, the second annual meeting of the Guild was held at Christ Church, Southport, when upwards of eighty members attended from the following places, viz.—Aughton, Bootle, Crosby, Crossens, Croston, Halsall, Hindley, Sefton, Southport, Ormskirk, Upholland, and Wigan. Ringing commenced at 2 p.m., and various mixed companies rang several touches until 4 p.m., when service was held in the church, and was well attended by the ringers. The Venerable Archdeacon Clarke and the Rev. C. M. Clarke assisted in the service, the lessons being read by Mr. Clarke Aspinall. An excellent discourse was delivered by the Rev. T. J. Madden (vicar of St. Luke's, Liverpool) from Phil. iii. 12, 13. After the conclusion of the service a move was made to the schoolroom, where an excellent meeting was provided. After doing justice to the good things the business meeting was held, the Rev. C. M. Clarke presiding, being supported by the Rev. T. J. Madden, W. T. Bulpit, and many others. The minutes of the 1st meeting having been read and passed, the Chairman called upon Mr. Clarke Aspinall, who gave an excellent address, followed by some valuable words from the Rev. S. J. Madden.

The Committee's Report, which was taken as read and adopted, stated that the number of members had greatly exceeded their expectations, and there were now 122 members of the Guild, as follows, viz.:—Three honorary life members, nineteen honorary members, and 100 performing members. During the time the Guild has been in existence there have been rung forty-seven peals of 720 changes, two date touches of BOB MAJOR, seven date touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, and seven peals of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, containing 5040 changes, which was very satisfactory. The general statement of accounts, which was also adopted, showed an income of 11l. 18s. 6d.; expenditure, 4l. 0s. 7½d.; leaving a balance of 7l. 17s. 10½d.

Mr. J. Martin gave a short account of the work done in connexion with the Benevolent Fund, which had during the past year amounted to 3l. 0s. 8d.

The Rev. W. T. Bulpit followed with a few words of congratulation in regard to the progress which the Guild had made in the twelve months and of encouragement and exhortation as to the future.

The whole of the officers were unanimously re-elected, and three honorary and seven performing members were elected. The Rev. Donald Jones (late of Aughton) was elected a member of the Guild with loud acclamations. Several items of interest were afterwards discussed, and a vote of condolence with the wife and children of the late Joseph Prescott was passed. Votes of thanks were passed to the gentlemen for their excellent addresses, and to the venerable Archdeacon for the use of the bells and schoolroom, and to the Chairman for presiding.

The Lancashire Association.

LIVERPOOL BRANCH.—The usual monthly ringing meeting was held on Saturday, the 2nd inst., at the Parish Church, Woolton. Ringers attended from Liverpool, Garston, Grassendale, Halewood, and Southport. The Rector presided. After passing the minutes of last meeting, he gave all present a hearty reception to his church, hoping it would not be the last held there. He wished to become a life member of the Association, if they would accept him, for he felt sure it was doing a good work amongst ringers as Church workers. He was duly elected, also one ringing member. A vote of thanks was proposed, and carried with applause, to the Rector, for the use of the bells and the parochial hall, and for providing an excellent tea for all present. He briefly responded, and hoped the next meeting held there would be more numerous, and he would provide another excellent tea. The next meeting was fixed for Huyton and Prescott combined. During the evening GRANDSIRE TRIPLES and BOB MAJOR were rung.

The Waterloo Society, London.

ON Wednesday, the 6th inst., at the weekly meeting of the Society, it was unanimously resolved to adhere to a previous resolution of this Society to the following effect:—That peals rung upon seven, nine, or eleven bells, without a covering bell, shall not be recognised by this Society.

WALTER PARTINGTON, *Hon. Sec.*

The Chester Diocesan Guild.

THE eleventh quarterly meeting was held at Gawsorth on Saturday, the 9th inst. Members began to assemble about four o'clock, and the Poynton ringers rang 720 BOB MINOR in good style. At five o'clock all adjourned to the schoolroom to partake of the usual tea. The business meeting was afterwards held, Mr. C. Postles being voted to the chair in the absence of the Rector through ill-health. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and Poynton was selected for the next place of meeting, on October 10th. Poynton, Gawsorth, Bollington, and Macclesfield were the places represented—altogether twenty-two. A vote of condolence was passed to the Rector, also thanking him for the use of the bells. After the meeting ringing was again resumed, and 720 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung. A. Lomas, 1; A. Lawson, 2; W. Walsley, 3; C. Postle, 4; J. Hammond, 5; W. Henshall (conductor), 6. Some GRANDSIRE DOUBLES were also rung, and a pleasant meeting terminated about half-past eight.

The Midland Counties Association.

NOTTINGHAM DISTRICT.—On Saturday, the 9th inst., a monthly meeting of the above Association was held at the Parish Church, Sandiacre. Members and friends were present from Nottingham, Beeston, Lenton, Long Eaton, Ilkeston, Wollaston, Stanton-by-Dale, and the local company. Touches of BOB MINOR and KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR were rung, also several

peals (120) of GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN DOUBLES. Radcliffe-on-Trent, Notts, was decided on for the next meeting, on Saturday, June 6th.

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.

ON Friday evening, the 15th inst., the bells of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, London, were rung for practice half muffled as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Captain A. P. Moore, of Weybread House, Harleston, Norfolk. The deceased gentleman was many years a member of this Society, and highly respected.

NOTICE.—Members are hereby kindly invited to attend the next meeting, at the 'Green Man,' St. Martin's Lane, W.C., on Friday evening, the 29th inst., when the Committee appointed for revision of rules will present their report. There will be ringing practice on St. Martin's bells at 8.15 p.m. sharp.

H. DAINS, *Hon. Sec.*

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Leonard's, Upton St. Leonards, Gloucestershire.

ON Wednesday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang Brook's variation of Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 4 mins. Jos. B. Brawn,* 1; H. G. Gardner, 2; F. E. Harb, 3; A. A. Waite,* 4; W. H. Brunson, 5; S. E. Romans (conductor), 6; H. Mitchell,* 7; J. E. Groves,* 8. Tenor, 17½ cwt., in E. The first peal in the method on the bells. [* First peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES.]

At Holy Trinity, Bradford-on-Avon, Wilts.

ON Saturday, the 9th inst., eight members of the Oxford and Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang Thurstans' (reversed) peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 15 mins. Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 1; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 2; S. Lawrence, 3; T. Blackburn, 4; A. P. Goddard, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 6; W. W. Gifford, 7; W. Greenleaf, 8. Tenor, 33 cwt., in C sharp. During the last forty-five minutes of the peal, C. W. Watts, who is a lad, weighing only 7 st. 3 lbs., rendered Mr. Greenleaf some assistance.

At St. James's, Trowbridge, Wilts.

ON Saturday, the 9th inst., eight members of the Oxford and Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 2 mins. T. Blackburn, 2; W. Greenleaf, 2; W. W. Gifford, 3; Rev. F. E. Robinson (conductor), 4; J. W. Washbrook, 5; A. P. Goddard, 6; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 7; S. Lawrence, 8. Tenor, 23 cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells.

At the Parish Church, Gillingham, Kent.

ON Saturday, the 9th inst., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Haley's peal of 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 10 mins. G. Lindoff, 1; W. Cooke, 2; W. Easter, 3; C. Wiltshire, 4; C. Waterman, 5; E. Price, 6; W. Evans, 7; W. Haigh (conductor), 8. Messrs. Wiltshire and Price came from Sittingbourne.

At St. Stephen's, Westminster, London.

ON Saturday, the 16th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 6 mins. G. T. McLaughlin, 1; H. R. Newton (conductor), 2; J. N. Oxborrow, 3; W. E. Garrard, 4; F. Wiltshire, 5; H. S. Ellis, 6; C. F. Winny, 7; W. Cropley (birthday), 8. Tenor, 25 cwt.

At All Saints', Isleworth, London.

ON Monday, the 18th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 54 mins. H. R. Newton (conductor), 1; W. E. Garrard, 2; H. Langdon, 3; F. L. Davies, 4; J. Wiltshire, 5; H. S. Ellis, 6; C. F. Winny, 7; W. Cropley, 8. Tenor, 18 cwt. The ringers wish, through the medium of *Church Bells*, to thank the Vicar, the Rev. H. Pelham Stokes, for the use of the bells on this occasion.

At St. Mary's, East Moulsey, Surrey.

ON Monday, the 18th inst., eight members of the St. James's Society, London, rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 54 mins. C. F. Winny (conductor), 1; H. R. Newton, 2; H. Langdon, 3; G. Woodiss, 4; F. L. Davies, 5; H. S. Ellis, 6; W. E. Garrard, 7; J. Wiltshire, 8. Tenor, 10 cwt. The first peal in the method rung on the bells. The ringers wish to give their best thanks to the Vicar, the Rev. W. F. Reynolds, for kindly placing the bells at their disposal. This is the fifth peal in which W. E. Garrard has taken part.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. STEPHEN'S, WESTMINSTER.—On Sunday morning, the 12th ult., for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 46 mins. S. J. Reed (first quarter-peal as conductor), 1; H. R. Newton, 2; A. G. Ellis, 3; J. Russell (first quarter-peal), 4; E. Duff, 5; H. S. Ellis, 6; J. N. Oxborrow, 7; W. Cropley, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, COWFOLD, SUSSEX.—On Wednesday, the 15th ult., on the occasion of the wedding of Mr. Andrews, of St. Pancras, to Miss Ellen Smith, of Frothnowle, Cowfold, a date touch of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES (1891 changes) in 1 hr. 4 mins. J. Parsons, 1; S. Sayers, 2; J. Wadex, 3; F. Hedgcock, 4; J. H. Blake (conductor), 5.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 468.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GRASSENDALE, LANCASHIRE.—On Sunday evening, the 19th ult., for Divine service, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB (fifteen bobs) in 27½ mins., by the following members of the LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION (Liverpool Diocesan Branch):—J. Schofield, 1; T. Morris, 2; J. Alexander, 3; C. Newton, 4; J. Allen (conductor), 5; W. Weaver, 6.

AT ST. MARY'S, WALTON-ON-THE-HILL, LANCASHIRE.—On Sunday morning, the 19th ult., for Divine service, 720 CANTERBURY PLEASURE MINOR in 27 mins. And in the evening, 720 OXFORD SINGLE MINOR (twenty-eight bobs and fourteen singles) in 24 mins. Composed by C. E. Wilson. T. Johnson, 1; H. Kelly, 2; R. Hurst, 3; T. R. Somerville, 4; W. Bromley, 5; C. E. Wilson (conductor), 6. Tenor, 9 cwt.

AT SS. PETER AND PAUL'S, LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Monday, the 20th ult., a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 15 mins. C. Fisk, 1; H. Parker, 2; C. Jarvis, 3; A. Symonds, 4; W. Bumpstead (Eye), 5; W. Snell, 6; T. King (composer and conductor), 7; W. Moore, 8.

AT ST. ANDREW'S, CLEWER.—On Tuesday the 21st ult., 720 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, called differently. H. Webb, 1; G. Stanbrook, 2; S. Quinton, 3; T. Gosling, 4; R. Flaxman (conductor), 5. And another 720 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. W. Ware, 1; S. Quinton, 2; G. Stanbrook, 3; A. Andrews (conductor), 4; R. Flaxman, 5.

AT ST. SAVIOUR'S, BACUP.—On Wednesday, the 22nd ult., a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. Sutcliffe, 1; J. Standing, 2; J. Pickup, 3; S. Kay, 4; E. Bradley, 5; W. Haworth, 6; J. Shepherd (composer and conductor), 7; J. Jackson, 8.

AT ST. MARY'S, BATTERSEA, SURREY.—On Sunday morning, the 26th ult., for Divine service, the last 742 of Holt's ORIGINAL, in 30 mins. H. N. Davis, 1; W. Baron, sen., 2; H. A. Hopkins (conductor), 3; S. Baker, 4; W. Baron, jun., 5; F. Pitts, 6; A. Svetman, 7; T. Comley, 8.

AT ST. GILES'S, READING, BERKS.—On Sunday evening, the 26th ult., a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 10 mins. H. Dibley, 1; R. T. Hibbert, 2; J. F. Tarant, 3; F. Sweetzer, 4; J. Potter, 5; J. E. Willshire, 6; A. E. Reeves (composer and conductor), 7; H. Smart, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH (ST. HELEN'S), ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On Sunday evening, the 10th inst., a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 45 mins., with the bells half-muffled, as a tribute of respect to the memory of the late Archbishop of York (who preached at the church exactly twelve months ago) by Messrs. Hutton, 1; Beadsmore, 2; Liggins, 3; Dunmore, 4; Jaques, 5; H. Canner, 6; W. Canner, 7; Thornley, 8. It was arranged and conducted by W. Canner.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, CHURCH, LANCASHIRE.—On a Monday, 720 BOB MINOR (18 bobs and 18 singles), in 28 mins. F. Calvert, 1; J. Horrocks, 2; J. Bentley, 3; H. Hayes (conductor), 4; W. Pattinson, 5; T. Horrocks, 6. Tenor, 15 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, HUGHENDEN, BUCKS.—On a Monday, six members of the Voluntary Society, High Wycombe (assisted by John Evans and S. Goodchild, of Hughenden) attempted Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, which unfortunately came to an end at the finish of the sixth part. E. Gadsden, 1; A. Kirby, 2; A. W. Tubb, 3; A. Headey, 4; W. Whiffin, 5; J. Evans, (conductor), 6; S. Goodchild, 7; F. Kirby, 8. The ringers take this opportunity to thank the Vicar, the Rev. H. Blagden, for the use of the bells, also Mr. Hussey for having everything in readiness.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.—On a Monday, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 9 mins. by the following members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild:—E. Gadsden, 1; W. Markham, 2; H. Markham, 3; A. Headey, 4; A. Kirby, 5; W. Whiffin, 6; A. W. Tubb (composer and conductor), 7; E. Thompson and F. Kirby, 8. This is the longest touch ever rung by a local band unassisted. Tenor, 23 cwt.

BRIGHTON.—Handbell-ringing.—On a Tuesday, on handbells retained in hand, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung at the residence of Mr. Williams, in 37 mins., by Mrs. G. Williams, 1-2; G. A. King, 3-4; G. Williams (conductor), 5-6; H. Weston, 7-8. This is the first quarter-peal rung on handbells in Sussex by four members of the Sussex Association.

ROPE-SIGHT. By the late J. W. Snowdon. (Fourth edition. 1s. 6d. Wells Gardner, Darton & Co. Post free 1s. 6d. from William Snowdon, Old Bank Chambers, Leeds.)—That this publication has reached a fourth edition is sufficient proof of its great value. We do not at this moment remember any book in the whole of ringing literature that has had such a great success; certainly not in the comparatively short period of twelve years. Of the many excellencies of the original work it is unnecessary to speak, so well are they known. We accordingly confine our remarks to the subject-matter of Chapter XIII.: 'On the Attainment of Accurate Striking.' This chapter is a fresh addition to the work, from the pen of the editor, Mr. William Snowdon. In the first place, we cannot too warmly applaud the stress laid on this element of ringing. We will venture to say that the towers in which the striking is really excellent are comparatively few in number, perhaps very few. If, by the chapter in question, Mr. Snowdon can help forward those who are backward in this respect, he will indeed merit the warmest thanks of the exercise. All the various ingredients which decide the grit of a bell are duly considered and brought before the reader, such as its weight, its height in the stock, the truth of position of its clapper; and the effects of each of these are duly pointed out. We may refer *en passant* to what seems a little

defect, viz., the employment here and there of such local terms—or term the use of which is limited, so far as we know, to the north of England—as for instance, 'odd-struck' for 'false' or 'false-gaited,' and 'rising out' and 'working down' for 'hunting up' and 'hunting down' respectively. After a thorough explanation of the groundwork of good striking by the method of 'rope-distance' (a very good term), the Editor goes on to point out that the time, or rhythm, will impress itself upon the performer, so that he will know almost by instinct the rope-distance to be allowed in each individual stroke and when striking over different bells. This is what each and every member of a band should aim at, for until it is achieved the bells will never be got into a good beat.

RECEIVED ALSO:—C. F. Winny (the picture of Lambeth Church has only appeared in the lately published *Notable London Churches*); W. Canner (your letter did not arrive till Thursday, and we go to press early on that morning, as lately notified).

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The present is the THIRTY-SIXTH SERIES.

CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

Mr. Congreve has thought it well in future to occasionally refer to a few *old cases* and *recent letters* from the same patients in order to show the

PERMANENCE OF CURE.

LEFT LUNG AFFECTED—CASE OF A YOUNG MAN AT BRIGHTON.

Influenza, the 'Russian Epidemic' (so called), was the precursor of this patient's trouble. (This terrible complaint, so little feared before its arrival, soon showed its disastrous effects, bringing in its train all kinds of lung diseases. With myself it was followed by pneumonia, which confined me for nearly two months to one room at my private residence.)

This patient (Mr. J. L. DURRANT) had been strong and well (he says) until attacked with influenza in February last. This brought on congestion of the left lung, cough and expectoration continued. In August he brought up a quantity of dark-coloured blood. This was repeated, and he at once applied to me. He had then lost 7lbs. in weight.

After a few weeks' continuance the patient wrote to me:—'I am truly thankful to Almighty God for directing me to you. I had tried all sorts of medicine, and lastly, before writing you, I went to Brompton Hospital, but found no benefit whatever, but you have been the instrument of recruiting my health. Should you feel disposed to add this to your splendid list of Testimonials you can do so.—J. L. DURRANT, 14 Sudeley Street, Brighton.'

MR. CONGREVE'S Book 'On Consumption, &c.' may be had post free for One Shilling from Coombe Lodge, Peckham, London, S.E.

NOTE.—Days of Consultation.—TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY MORNINGS ONLY, at Coombe Lodge, Peckham. Patients from any long distance should choose either of the two former days. Every one is expected to have seen the book first.

worship, and the general teaching of the *Book of Leviticus*, will do well to procure Dr. Kellogg's volume. Part II. of the book, 'The Law of the Daily Life,' is particularly well worked out. The author reverently and skilfully removes the stumbling-block (to some) of those who think of religion as a thing so exclusively of the spirit, and so completely independent of bodily conditions. He approaches the Law of Moses less as a critic than as a learner. Consequently, he is able to grasp its purpose, and to explain its significance. The last of the four books, Mr. Horton's *Book of Proverbs*, is undoubtedly a very clever one. The writer was formerly a Fellow of New College, Oxford, and is a rising Nonconformist. Moreover, the Book of Proverbs naturally lends itself to expansion and to clever writing, and Mr. Horton has not been slow to avail himself of the opportunity. We think that occasionally his teaching goes beyond the basis which the text supplies, and is, in fact, grafted on to it rather than explanatory of it. Good sentences and sensible teaching nevertheless abound. Here is a specimen:—"It could not possibly avail to be justified by faith, unless we were made just by faith; a sore body is not healed by covering it up—a dead man is not healed by a smiling mask."

THE MINISTRY OF CATECHISING. By Bishop Dupanloup. Translated into English. (Griffith, Farran, & Co. Price 7s. 6d.)—It is my profound conviction, writes Bishop Dupanloup in his preface, 'that the world would be saved if we devoted ourselves to youth. And in no way can we devote ourselves with more pleasure and with more fruit than by means of the Catechisms.' The good Bishop called catechising, indeed, *l'Œuvre par excellence*, and considered it to be the highest part of his ministry. In the book before us the whole scope of the art of catechising is unfolded. And although some of the practices and views set forth in the book are distinctly Roman, and some are distinctly French (obviously unsuited, therefore, for English use), there is much that is extremely valuable to be learned from it. The high character and the deep religious fervour of the writer are evident on every page, and thus his addresses (like his previously published book, *The Ministry of Preaching*) are bound to appeal to those in our own Church who, like him, feel that the whole future of the nation is bound up in the proper religious teaching we give to our children. Perhaps if our younger clergy, to whom it frequently falls to catechise the children in Church, were to consider it as a duty and a privilege of the *very highest importance*, and were to prepare for it accordingly, afternoon services might be brighter, and children would be better taught. The Sunday afternoon service would then take rank (as indeed it ought) with morning and evening prayer. Servants might not then object, as one did on one occasion, to be sent to the church catechising in the afternoon, 'just to hear,' as the domestic indignantly exclaimed, 'that slip of a curate.'

GRAVEN IN THE ROCK. By the Rev. Samuel Kinn, Ph.D., F.R.A.S., Vicar of Holy Trinity, Minories. With numerous illustrations. (Cassell & Co. Price 12s. 6d.)—Dr. Kinn's alternative title to his book, which is a companion volume to *Moses and Geology*, is 'the Historical Accuracy of the Bible confirmed by reference to the Assyrian and Egyptian Sculptures in the British Museum and elsewhere.' We have the most profound sympathy with the author's endeavours to substantiate the validity and accuracy of the Holy Scriptures. We are entirely at one with him, both in his aspirations and as to his results. As regards his methods, however, it is possible that some objection might be taken. We think that the chief value of his book lies in its bringing before people who might not otherwise see them a mass of interesting facts about Egyptian and Eastern history. The illustrations, too, are excellent, and will alone serve to make the book acceptable in families. We can safely recommend *Graven in the Rock* to those who, firmly rooted in the Christian faith and interested in Old Testament history, desire further information about ancient customs and monuments. To convince a sceptic of the truth of the Bible records would require, as no doubt Dr. Kinn would freely admit, a much stricter and more logical method of treatment than the present volume, from its nature, can adopt. It should prove an exceedingly useful work for the elder scholars in Sunday schools. The first edition, we understand, has already run out, and a second has been called for.

MESSRS. CASSELL have published (price 1s.) a second edition of the late Archbishop Magee's admirable little book on **THE ATONEMENT**. It forms part of the 'Helps to Belief' Series, edited by Canon Teignmouth Shore.

GREAT THOUGHTS contains, in addition to the usual interesting features which are identified with it, portraits and biographies of Mackay of Uganda, the celebrated French painter, Meissonier, the Rev. W. Barnes, and Lord Houghton. Grant Allen continues his clever papers on 'Life and its Varieties,' and there are accounts of interviews with Mrs. B. A. Proctor and Arnold White. There is a capital account of 'A Trip to Norway,' and the Editor continues the papers 'Pillars of the Christian Faith.'

RECEIVED ALSO:—**THE INDIAN CHURCH QUARTERLY REVIEW**, **THE RELIGIOUS REVIEW OF REVIEWS**.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Annual Festival of the Society of Framland Ringers.

THE anniversary for the current year took place on Thursday, May 14th, the Octave of the Ascension, at Buckminster, Leicestershire, where the members received a most hearty welcome. The proceedings at the festival comprised a service in the church, a dinner and tea for the ringers, and a business meeting. In addition, successive peals were rung on the bells from about 8.45 a.m. until late in the evening by several teams, those of Buckminster, Croxton, Eaton, Melton Mowbray, Harby, Barkestone, and Bottesford being represented. The ringers of Waltham and Broughton were unfortunately kept away by the influenza and other causes. Fortunately the weather proved extremely favourable. The gardens and grounds attached to Buckminster Hall were kindly thrown open to the members. The local cricket club allowed the use of their ground and 'appliances' for the enjoyment of the visitors, and the Committee of the Institute generously placed their spacious and convenient room at the disposal of the Society for the dinner and tea. The Eaton and Buckminster teams were both provided with their handbells, and in this way were able to contribute to the general enjoyment. We are glad to be able to record the presence of the following clergy during the day:—The Rev. F. C. Blyth, vicar of Buckminster; the Rev. C. H. Lacon, rector of Branstone (hon. secretary); the Rev. C. Elsmere, vicar of Spittlegate (the special preacher); the Rev. H. B. Vale, vicar of Sproxtton; the Rev. R. H. Bagnall, vicar of Barkestone; the Rev. R. M. Norman, rector of Bottesford; and the Rev. G. H. Preston, curate of Harby.

The annual dinner was served in the Institute room at 1.30 p.m., the company numbering about sixty. The Vicar of the parish (the Rev. F. C. Blyth) presided. After dinner the printed statement of accounts for the year 1890-91 was circulated among the members. *Receipts*: Balance in hand at the beginning of the year, 2l. 0s. 3½d.; subscriptions from performing members, 3l. 9s.; payments towards conveyances, 1l. 3d.; payments for meals, 4l. 19s. 6d.; subscriptions from honorary members, 7l. 19s.; offertory at Croxton Church in 1890, 1l. 0s. 1d.; total, 19l. 19s. 1½d. *Expenditure*: To conveyances, 3l. 9s.; Mr. T. Ironmonger (Croxton) for meals for seventy, 12l. 5s.; Mr. Loxley for printing, 11s. 10d.; balance in hand, 3l. 13s. 3½d.; total, 19l. 19s. 1½d.

The Rev. C. H. Lacon congratulated the Society on the statement of accounts, which showed a better balance than they had last year. The rev. gentleman then tendered the thanks of the Society to the Vicar of Buckminster and the churchwardens for permitting the use of the church and the bells, and expressed a hope that all the ringers would endeavour to be present at the service.

The question of the place of meeting for next year was then considered. Mr. Lacon remarked that Bottesford had been proposed, and he would be glad to hear if any one thought it ought to be otherwise. A member thought that next year's meeting should be at Eaton. Bottesford had been out of the Society two years, and it was Eaton's turn next. He thought it was not right to claim it for Bottesford. A Bottesford ringer stated that last year's gathering was on the Thursday in Whitsun week, and the Club Feast at Bottesford prevented them from attending. Mr. Lacon said at present he had no Committee to advise him on these questions, but he proposed that a Committee should be formed to decide points of this character, and other matters affecting the Society. He did not think that a team should be allowed to leave the Society just when they thought well, and then write to him about two years afterwards and say they were coming to the annual meeting—he did not think that was fair. One of the teams he had written to on a former occasion did not take the trouble to answer his letter, and he was sure that none of the ringers he was addressing would like him to have to submit to that; but until they got a Committee and rules to guide them, he was afraid they could not deal very satisfactorily with things of this kind. The question for the meeting now to decide was whether they should go to Bottesford or Eaton next year, but he thought it must be understood that in future a team, after once leaving, would not be allowed to join the Society again without the consent of the Committee. On the question being put to the vote, Bottesford was selected by a large majority, and Mr. Lacon, after remarking that he hoped there would be no ill feeling about it, said they would take Bottesford into their company as before, but he would give them warning that if they chose to separate themselves from the Society they must not expect to have the same privileges again another year. The company then adjourned.

At three o'clock a numerous congregation assembled in the parish church for evensong. A bright and hearty service commenced with the 'Old Hundredth' as the processional hymn, sung while the choir and clergy, headed by the cross-bearer, proceeded along the north aisle and up the nave to the chancel. The preacher was the Rev. Clement Elsmere, vicar of Spittlegate, who gave a most interesting, instructive, and helpful discourse, taking for his text Ps. cl. 5—'Praise Him upon the loud cymbals; praise Him upon the high-sounding cymbals.' A collection was made in aid of the funds of the Society, and realised 16s. 7½d. Stainer's 'Sevenfold Amen' brought the service to a close, the processional hymn being 'Onward, Christian soldiers,' to Sullivan's well-known tune.

A first-class meat tea was provided in the Institute room at 6 p.m. The ringers were then asked to fix the date of next year's meeting at Bottesford, and eventually the first Thursday in May was decided upon. The Rev. F. C. Blyth then appropriately tendered the thanks of the Society to their excellent and energetic Secretary (the Rev. C. H. Lacon) for his past services, and

concluded by expressing the pleasure which it gave the Buckminster people to welcome the ringers amongst them.

Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Society of Church Bell-ringers.

THE Annual Meeting of the above Society took place at Earls Barton on Whit-Monday, and despite the wintery weather there was quite an average attendance of ringers and honorary members. The ring of six bells in the ancient Saxon tower of the Parish Church was raised by the local team at nine o'clock, and afterwards bands of ringers from Wellingborough, Kettering, Raunds, Higham Ferrers, and Rushden handled the ropes in turn. Divine service was held at one o'clock, with a sermon, well suited to the occasion, by the Rev. R. R. Cobbold, vicar of Earls Barton. An excellent dinner was provided in the schoolroom, to which over fifty ringers sat down. The Rev. A. S. Lindsay (Kettering), the Rev. Hugh Bryan (Raunds), the Rev. R. R. Cobbold, and Mr. Abbott, churchwarden (Earls Barton), being also present. At the conclusion of the repast the business meeting was presided over by the Rev. A. S. Lindsay (Vice-President of the Society). Minutes of previous meetings were read and confirmed. The Hon. Secretary (the Rev. Hugh Bryan), stated that the Society had now a balance in hand of 13l. 15s. 6d. Eight new ringing members were elected, five from Earls Barton and three from Wellingborough. The Rev. R. R. Cobbold, Mr. Abbott, of Earls Barton, and the Rev. J. E. Gordon, of Rushden, were announced as having become honorary members. The Hon. Secretary was unanimously re-elected, with hearty thanks for his services. The Rev. J. Dunn (Higham Ferrers) was elected as Treasurer in place of the Rev. J. P. Goodman, who, to the regret of the members, felt obliged to resign the office owing to ill health. A proposition made at a delegates' meeting at Finedon, with respect to making the Society a county association, met with no support from the company, and was allowed to drop. Mr. J. Martin (Higham Ferrers) thought it would much benefit their Society if they could be made a local branch of the Midland Counties' Association, as this would give them a better standing in the ringing world. The Hon. Secretary was desired to make inquiries on the subject. It was decided that in future the railway fare of delegates attending special meetings should be paid by the Society. The delegates for 1890 were re-elected to serve for the present year, with the addition of three honorary members, viz., the Revs. Cobbold and Gordon, and W. J. Henry, Esq. A proposition that belfry instructors be paid by the Society was opposed, it being the general opinion that any ringers desiring instruction should pay for it themselves. A suggestion with regard to the admission of ringers who were not attached to any particular belfry met with approval and was adopted. It was decided that the next Annual Meeting be held at Rushden, and that the next Quarterly Ringing Meeting take place at Kettering on the

first Saturday in July, the bells there having now been rehung and put in excellent order. It was unanimously decided that all ringers who have been members of the Association for one year should be allowed to take part in a trip to Leicester on Saturday, August 29th. Hearty votes of thanks were passed to the Rev. R. R. Cobbold for the use of church, schoolroom, and bells, also for his kindness in providing tea for the ringers. Earls Barton bells are a ring of six, and were rehung a few years ago. The tenor was cast by Eayre, of Kettering, 1761; it weighs about 14 cwt. The other bells are all dated between 1720 and 1775. Mr. Jones, the steeple-keeper, made every preparation for the visitors, and the day's ringing passed off without a single mishap. Some excellent new ropes have just been put up.

The village of Ecton being so near, it was thought desirable to apply for the use of the bells there, in order to give ringers the chance of a visit to that interesting old belfry, and if possible to get the Ecton men to join the Society; but for some reason or other the Rector refused permission to the Hon. Secretary, and also to some of the ringers, who merely asked to view the church and bells. The local ringers and churchwardens were, we understand, much annoyed at his refusal. Discourtesy such as this is not likely to conduce to the good feeling which should exist between clergy and ringers, and which it is the object of our bell-ringing associations to promote. This is the first occasion on which the Raunds and Wellingborough Society has been refused the use of a ring of bells when desired.

Bell-ringing in Australia.

THE members of the Melbourne Bell-ringers' Association gave a banquet at the Vienna Café, Collins Street, Melbourne, on the evening of Easter Monday, in honour of Mr. John Guest, their Master. About sixty guests sat down. After the cloth had been removed, the real business of the evening began, namely, the presentation to Mr. Guest of a beautifully framed photographic group of the members and patrons of the Association, and an artistically finished illuminated address, expressive of the great esteem in which he is held by his brother-ringers. Among the photos in the frame was one of his Excellency the Governor, one of the patrons of the Association, who not only gave permission for his likeness to be placed among the other patrons, but sent the photograph for the purpose.

The address is a perfect masterpiece of the art of illumination, and contains the following legend:—

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Then followed the signatures, headed by his Excellency the Governor's, who, by thus honouring Mr. Guest, testifies to the high esteem in which he holds him. Texts, *appropos* of bell-ringing, from the various poets, are artistically arranged about the address, and there is a painting of a belfry, with eight ringers hard at work, whilst the bells in the bell-loft, which is shown above, seem to move in response to the action of the men below.

In the left-hand corner is a drawing of St. Mary's Church, Stafford, Mr. Guest's native place. On the right is the new Cathedral of Melbourne; whilst between the two is the old St. James's Cathedral, the nursery of Australian campanology. Taken as a whole, it is a beautiful picture, and one of which Mr. Guest may well be proud.

Invitations to the banquet were sent to the ringers of Sydney, New South Wales, and to those of Hobart, Tasmania; also to those of Ballarat and Geelong, in Victoria; and a right merry evening was spent in speechifying, singing, and selections on the handbells.

The Chairman, the Rev. C. T. Perks, of St. Stephen's, Richmond, pre-faced his speech by apologising for the absence of the Bishop and Dean, who were unable to attend. He then expressed the pleasure he felt at being present on that interesting occasion. After a short and highly laudatory speech, he formally presented the two frames to Mr. Guest, and called upon all present to drink his health, which was done with enthusiasm and musical honours. Mr. Guest replied in a short and appropriate speech. On resuming his seat, he was greeted with loud clapping of hands and other signs of approbation.

The Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

The next Committee and Quarterly Meeting of the above will be held at Pershore on Saturday, June 13th, in the National Schoolroom at 6 p.m. prompt, by the kind permission of the Ven. the Archdeacon of Worcester (Canon Walters), who will preside. The tower of the Abbey Church will be open for ringing.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Mary Redcliffe, Bristol.

On Monday, the 18th inst., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang G. Newson's peal of 5006 STEDMAN CATERERS in 3 hrs. 33 mins. F. G. Newman (conductor), 1; R. French, 2; J. W. Washbrook, 3; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 4; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 5; T. Blackburn, 6; W. W. Gifford, 7; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 8; J. Hinton, 9; F. Price and W. Dowling, 10. Tenor, 48 cwt., in C. The composition has the 6th in 2nd's place throughout. The first peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

At St. Mary's, Ely, Cambridgeshire.

On Monday, the 18th inst., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association and the St. Peter Mancroft Society of Norwich Scholars rang H. Dains' peal of 5056 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 12 mins. A. G. Warnes, 1; F. Knights, sen. (conductor), 2; F. H. Knights, jun., 3; G. Howchin, 4; J. Smith, 5; F. J. Howchin, 6; J. Skinner, 7; G. Smith, 8. Tenor, 19 cwt.

At St. Mary's, Welshpool, Montgomeryshire.

On Monday, the 18th inst., eight members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 4 mins. C. F. Tallis, 1; W. H. W. Warren, 2; W. H. Fussell (conductor), 3; G. Wright, 4; J. Overton, 5; T. J. Bratton, 6; T. Barron, 7; L. Gittens, 8. Tenor, 13 cwt. Messrs. Tallis, Fussell, Bratton, and Gittens belong to Welshpool; Warren and Overton, Bridgnorth; Wright and Barron, Whitchurch. This was especially arranged with the consent of the Vicar, the Rev. G. Davis, as a memorial peal for the late Earl Powis, who was one of the earliest life members of the Guild, and whose remains were interred in the chancel of the above church on the previous Friday. First peal by the treble and tenor men, and the first rung in the county.

At St. Mary-le-Port, Bristol.

On Tuesday, the 19th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Rev. H. A. Cockey, 1; W. R. Paddock,* 2; H. H. Tucker,* 3; T. Blackburn, 4; J. W. Washbrook (composer and conductor), 5; F. G. Newman, 6; R. French, 7; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. The first peal in the method rung in the City of Bristol. [* First peal in the method.]

At the Parish Church, Cardington, Beds.

On Saturday, the 23rd inst., eight members of the Bedfordshire Association of Change-ringers rang John Carter's Twelve-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 12 mins. F. Sharpe, 1; S. J. Cullip, 2; P. Howard, 3; S. Constant, 4; J. Hills, 5; H. Sharp, 6; C. W. Clarke, 7; F. Keech (conductor), 8. Tenor, 20½ cwt., in E.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, ASHCHEURCH, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—On a Sunday, 720 COLLEGE SINGLES. S. Wallis, 1; A. Attwood, 2; A. Wallis, 3; L. Longney (conductor), 4; E. Devereux, 5; C. A. Brown, 6. First peal in the method on the bells.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S, AYLSHAM, NORFOLK.—On a Tuesday, 1008 BOB MAJOR in 41 mins. G. Neale, 1; W. Rought, 2; C. Clements, 3; J. M. Roberts, 4; J. Moy, 5; J. Edridge, 6; G. Moy (conductor), 7; A. J. Neal, 8. Rung with the bells muffled as a mark of respect to Captain A. P. Moore, of Weybread House, Harleston, Norfolk.

AT ST. HELEN'S, ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On Monday evening, the 25th inst., in honour of the Queen's seventy-second birthday, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 7 mins. G. Hutton,* 1; E. W. Beadsmore,* 2; J. H. Dunmore, 3; T. Jacques, 4; W. Jiggins, 5; A. Hitchcock, 6; W. Calmer (conductor), 7; J. Curtis, 8. [* Longest touch.]

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Archdeacon of Worcester on Church Towers and Bells.

(Part of a Recent Charge.)

DURING the course of his charge the Archdeacon said:—‘There are aspects of the subject which at first seem beyond its strict limits, but are not really so, for that which has been consecrated to religious uses cannot be outside the responsibilities of incumbents or churchwardens. I allude especially to our church towers. As you stand on any of our hills you see “the spacious plains besprent with steeple-towers and spires, whose silent finger points to heaven,” crowning the watery glades of Severn, Avon, Teme, and Stour. Remove these landmarks, deprive the landscape of these distinctive features, and great is the loss. Look at the Priory tower of Malvern against the green hills, or that of Little Malvern in leafy quietude patiently awaiting the restorer’s hand. Look at the strong tower of Brailes, a very cathedral amidst the undulating hills of Warwickshire. Follow the course of Avon’s flow through that county, or down the vale of Evesham, from St. Mary’s, Warwick, to Tewkesbury, by Stratford’s spire, the towers of Evesham and that of Pershore. Approach our cathedral city, with all its clustered towers and graceful spires. What a feature they present throughout the land, standing in their own strength, rising from strong foundations to higher summits, and lifting the eye to heaven, not only ornaments to the landscape, but emblems to the English Church. Yet we leave them unprotected by efficient lightning conductors, we neglect to insure them, and we are apt to leave them to another generation to repair. Why were they built? Certainly to hold bells. The size of towers which date back to the eleventh century or earlier clearly shows that they were fitted to hold bells of considerable dimensions. From the days of Bede there were bells, and from the time of Dunstan, bell-founders. It is true that there are no dated bells in England before the end of the thirteenth century, but bell-founders of a far earlier date have left their work in the shape of a bell, or in the lettering of inscriptions.

‘Not many Mediæval bells are now known, for the suppression of the monasteries, the ravages of Cromwell’s soldiery, and the introduction of change-ringing have tended to diminish their number. Poverty, too, has tempted some parishes to sell their bells, or some rich parishioner has given a new bell to take the place of an old one, recast or cast away. It is in the quiet country bellfries you find the Mediæval bells, where the change-ringer has no play for his art, and urban ambition has not exchanged an old-fashioned tenor or treble for a ring of many bells of modern make. Probably the oldest bell in the archdeaconry is at Halford, near Shipston-on-Stour, founded in the thirteenth century; or, the treble at Besford and that at Hill Croome, whose unique tower is well-nigh in ruins. There are other bells of ancient date, such as the Sanctus bell at Fladbury; the tenor at Brailes, the largest old bell known recast in *facsimile*; the bells of the Stratford-on-Avon Guild Chapel, inscribed with initials of townspeople; groups of bells with the heads of Edward I. and Queen Eleanor, such as those at South Littleton, Elmley Castle, Lighthorne, and others. These and such-like bells have an historic interest. The curfew, the passing bell, the market bell, the gleaners’ bell, the Shrove Tuesday bell, refer to the habits of our ancestors; while the marks and inscriptions on bells bear testimony to the Church customs and changes of opinion; for instance, the Sanctus bell at Fladbury has an invocation to St. Katharine to pray for the rector who presented it, probably about 1555, a late date for such an invocation. This leads me to suggest, and suggest very earnestly, that whenever it is decided to recast an old bell, great care should be taken that it be recast with the inscriptions and all marks and stops in *facsimile*.

‘For the sake of their historic interest, and from an artistic and antiquarian point of view, I plead for the church towers and their bells. Both bellfries and bell-chambers should be kept clean and in repair. There are ringing chambers in this archdeaconry, such as those at St. Andrew’s, Netherton, and Cradley, which are models of cleanliness, with fittings and furniture which bear testimony to the interest taken by the ringers in their work. The stairs and the ladders by which access is obtained to the bells should be made surmountable, and the floor of the belfry, and the frames on which the bells are hung, need attention before they become dangerous. With the revival of Church life, which happily characterises this generation, the endeavour to do all things decently and in order has extended from the choir to the belfry. Choral Associations have improved Church choirs. The choir now may occupy a more prominent place in God’s house than the ringer, but the service of both is the service of the sanctuary. The one calls the people to worship, the other assists the people in their worship. Associations of ringers, such as that of Worcestershire, with their rules of conduct, unite clergy and churchwardens and ringers for a common purpose. Difficulties as to attendance at services, behaviour in the steeple, and unbecoming use of the bells, are overcome and disappear under the influence of such Associations. The incumbent or his curate are no more out of place in the belfry than at choir practice. Church festivals are ushered in by a peal, and the bells are heard at other seasons than in the weeks before Christmas. Such Associations are worthy of all encouragement, and as we clergy claim the key of the tower and power over the ringers of the bells, we must remember that privileges beget responsibilities. The churchwardens have the custody of the bells, and the bell-ropes are generally Church property under their charge, but the incumbent alone can forbid them to be rung. Does not this point to the necessity of co-operation both by incumbent and churchwardens for the due exercise of their respective duties?’

The Great Bell of Moscow.

SIR,—I venture to write to you to ask if you can inform me of any book or pamphlet in which I can obtain a reliable account and description of the great bell at Moscow. I have in my possession a model of the bell in platinum and gold, which is, I believe, rare, only three having been made, many years ago now. I desire information particularly of the inscription and figures on the bell.

J. WHITE, JUN.

Arundel House, Eltham Road, Lee, Kent, May 27th, 1891.

North Notts Association.

THE Annual Meeting of this Association was held at Worksop on Whit-Monday. A short service was held in the Priory Church, and the Vicar of Worksop, secretary of the Society, gave an address. In the course of the afternoon various methods were rung on the fine ring of eight bells, including KENT, OXFORD, VIOLET, and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, and some good ringing was executed. At four o’clock the members sat down to a substantial tea, and at five p.m. the general meeting was held. The Society is in a fairly flourishing condition, but it is a matter of regret that several members of bellfries still hold aloof. We are quite sure that a society like this is very helpful towards promoting good fellowship amongst ringers, and ought to stimulate the members of the various bellfries to attain to the highest pitch of excellence in the art of change-ringing.

The Thornbury Ringers, Gloucestershire.

THE first annual outing of the members of St. Mary’s Society of Change-ringers took place on Monday, the 25th ult. Leaving Thornbury at 6.30 a.m., the company took train for Stroud, where they rang a couple of courses on the bells at the parish church, being assisted by two of the Stroud ringers. Having been joined by a large number of members of the Association from the surrounding neighbourhood, the party went by brakes to Painswick. A special service was here held at the parish church of St. Mary’s, with an address by the Vicar, the Rev. W. S. Guest-Williams. After the service the members adjourned to the ‘Falcon’ Hotel for dinner. The Thornbury members, after assisting in several courses on the bells, returned to Stroud where they had tea. The return journey was then made to Thornbury.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At Brighton, Sussex.

ON Monday, the 11th ult., at St. Peter’s Church, a peal of 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR was rung in 3 hrs. 5 mins. by the following members of the Sussex County Association:—J. Jay, sen., 1; J. W. Washbrook, 2; J. R. Reily, 3; G. F. Attree, 4; A. A. Fuller, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 6; G. A. King, 7; G. Williams, 8. Composed and conducted by J. W. Washbrook. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

ON Tuesday, the 12th ult., at St. Paul’s Church, a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (a variation of Thurstans’) in 2 hrs. 48 mins. J. Jay, 1; G. F. Attree, 2; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 3; G. Williams, 4; G. A. King, 5; J. R. Reily, 6; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 7; W. Alfrey, 8. First peal in the method on the bells. Tenor, 14 cwt.

At St. John-the-Baptist’s, Crawley, Sussex.

ON Tuesday, the 12th ult., a peal of 5088 TREBLE BOB MAJOR (in the KENT variation) was rung in 3 hrs. J. Jay, 1; J. Newnham, 2; J. R. Reily, 3; J. W. Washbrook, 4; G. A. King, 5; R. Jordan, 6; J. Parker, 7; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 8. Composed and conducted by J. W. Washbrook. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

At St. Mary Magdalene’s, Bolney, Sussex.

ON Wednesday, the 13th ult., a peal of 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR in 3 hrs. 1 min. J. Jay, 1; G. A. King, 2; J. W. Washbrook, 3; J. R. Reily, 4; A. A. Fuller, 5; G. F. Attree, 6; Rev. G. Williams, 7; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 8. Composed and conducted by J. W. Washbrook. First in the method on the bells, the last of MAJOR being rung forty-five years ago. Tenor, 15 cwt.

At the Cathedral, Chichester, Sussex.

ON Thursday, the 14th ult., a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (a variation of Thurstans’) was rung in 2 hrs. 57 mins. J. R. Reily, 1; G. A. King, 2; W. N. Holt, 3; G. Gatland, 4; G. Smart, 5; J. W. Washbrook, 6; Rev. F. E. Robinson (conductor), 7; C. Tyler, 8. First peal in the method on the bells. Tenor, 21 cwt.

At Holy Trinity, Arundel, Sussex.

ON Thursday, the 14th ult., a peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 55 mins. J. Jay, 1; C. Tyler, 2; G. F. Attree, 3; G. A. King, 4; J. R. Reily, 5; J. W. Washbrook, 6; G. Williams, 7; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 8. Composed and conducted by J. W. Washbrook. First peal of MAJOR on the Bells. Tenor, 14½ cwt.

At St. Andrew’s, Steyning, Sussex.

ON Friday, the 15th ult., a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (a variation of Thurstans’) in 2 hrs. 46 mins. J. R. Reily, 1; J. W. Washbrook, 2; Rev. F. E. Robinson (conductor), 3; G. Smart, 4; C. Tyler, 5; G. Gatland, 6; J. W. Washbrook, 7; T. Searle, 8. Tenor, 12 cwt.

At St. Botolph’s, Heene, Sussex.

ON Friday, the 15th ult., a peal of 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR in 2 hrs. 57 mins. J. Jay, 1; J. Washbrook (Oxford), 2; J. R. Reily, 3; G. Williams, 4; G. F. Attree, 5; G. A. King, 6; H. Weston, 7; Rev. F. E. Robinson (Drayton), 8. Composed and conducted by J. W. Washbrook. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 504.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Speldhurst, Kent.

On Sunday, the 17th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and Kent County Association rang Parker's Six-part peal (No. 1) of 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 48 mins. B. C. Pratchett, 1; C. W. Tucker, 2; G. Turley, 3; J. Maynard, 4; T. Card (conductor), 5; G. A. Card, 6; C. H. Martin, 7; W. Latter, 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt. The above peal is the first in the method on the bells, the first by all the band, and was rung at the first attempt. Messrs. Martin, Pratchett, and Tucker, came from Hendon.

At the Parish Church, Bletchingley, Surrey.

On Monday, the 18th inst., eight members of the Surrey Association rang Cox's peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 8 mins. H. Brooker (first peal in the method), 1; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 2; J. Bashford, 3; Rev. E. W. Carpenter, 4; H. P. Harman, 5; J. Fayers, 6; J. Harding, 7; W. Burkin (conductor), 8. Tenor, 19 cwt.

At St. Martin's, Dorking, Surrey.

On Monday, the 18th ult., eight members of the Sussex County Association rang H. Hattersley's peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 7 mins. T. Andrews, 1; J. Taylor, 2; J. Akehurst, 3; F. Rice, 4; A. Mills, 5; W. Short, 6; F. Wickens, 7; H. H. Chandler (conductor), 8. Tenor, 25 cwt. The first peal of MAJOR on the bells. Mr. Chandler's one hundredth peal.

At All Saints', East Meon, Hampshire.

On Monday, the 18th ult., eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild rang Dains' peal of 5056 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 10 mins. J. Staples, 1; T. H. Colburne, 2; F. W. J. Rees, Esq. (first peal of TREBLE BOB), 3; J. E. Warren, 4; F. Bennett, 5; J. J. Jones, 6; G. Williams (conductor), 7; W. Groves, 8. Tenor, 19 cwt. The first peal on the bells, also the conductor's one hundredth peal. The composition has the 6th six course-ends each way in 5-6, also the extent at home.

At the Parish Church, Sonning, Berks.

On Monday, the 18th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 56 mins. F. Simmonds (first peal), 1; R. T. Hibbert (first peal as conductor), 2; E. W. Monday, 3; G. Essex, 4; E. Heathorn, 5; A. W. Pike, 6; T. Newman, 7; Jos. Hands, 8. Tenor, 22 cwt.

At St. James's, Clerkenwell, London.

On Thursday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Clerkenwell Society of Ringers rang the bells muffled as a mark of respect to their late member, Mr. Robert Allen. J. T. Knight (conductor), 1; H. Mandeville, 2; E. March, 3; W. Jones, 4; T. Essen, 5; C. Ward, 6; J. Looker, 7; J. Rayner, 8. Tenor, 22 cwt.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

On Saturday, the 23rd ult., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Johnson's peal of 5062 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 11 mins. C. F. Winny, 1; H. R. Newton (conductor), 2; J. N. Oxborrow, 3; J. M. Hayes, 4; F. L. Davies, 5; J. W. Driver, 6; J. Willshire (first peal of STEDMAN CATERS), 7; G. T. McLaughlin, 8; W. E. Garrard, 9; W. Cropley, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt.

At St. Peter's, Caversham, Oxford.

On Saturday, the 23rd ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 58 mins. H. Simmons (twenty-fourth birthday), 1; G. Essex, 2; Jos. Hands, 3; A. W. Pike, 4; E. W. Menday, 5; T. Newman, 6; H. Smith, 7; Rev. G. F. Coleridge (first peal as conductor on eight bells, and his hundredth peal), 8. Composed by J. W. Washbrook. Tenor, 14 cwt. The first peal of DOUBLE NORWICH by all the band, except the conductor, and the first in the method on the bells.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Erith, Kent.

On Saturday, the 23rd ult., eight members of the Kent County Association rang a peal of 6048 CANTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR in 3 hrs. 42 mins. C. Wilkins, 1; W. Bedwell (fiftieth peal), 2; F. G. Cullum, 3; W. J. Smith, 4; G. Conyard, 5; F. J. French, 6; J. H. Cheeseman, 7; E. Barnet (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 18 cwt. It was intended to start for 10,080, but funeral services prevented an early start, so the above was rung instead.

At Christ Church, West Bromwich, Staffordshire.

On Saturday, the 23rd ult., eight members of the Society for the Arch-deaconry of Stafford rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (Brooks's Variation) in 3 hrs. 1 min. J. Jones, 1; T. Horton, 2; J. Carter, 3; S. Reeves (conductor), 4; W. R. Small, 5; C. Price, 6; R. Hall, 7; J. Hall, 8.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Fareham, Hampshire.

On Monday, the 25th ult., eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild rang Dains' peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 53 mins. J. Hewett (in his seventy-fourth year), 1; J. W. Whiting, 2; G. Grafham, 3; J. Staples, 4; J. E. Warren, 5; F. Hill, 6; T. Groves (birthday), 7; H. White (first in the method as conductor), 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. It is believed to be the first peal of TREBLE BOB MAJOR rung in Hampshire by men resident in the county. Messrs. Hewett came from Gosport; Staples, Havant; Warren, Swanmore; Groves and Whiting, Basingstoke. White, Grafham, Hill, are local men.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

Mr. Congreve has thought it well in future to occasionally refer to a few *old cases* and *recent letters* from the same patients in order to show the

PERMANENCE OF CURE.

BRONCHO-PHTHISIS—FOLLOWING UPON ACUTE BRONCHITIS AND CONGESTION OF THE RIGHT LUNG.

The husband of the patient here referred to (Mr. J. M.—), writing me January 6th (last month), says:—'Do not publish my name and address, but I shall be happy to authenticate all I have said to any *bonâ fide* enquirer. I have distributed your books and recommended your preparations whenever I could.'

This lady's illness commenced with acute bronchitis twelve months before writing me first. This was renewed in the August following with congestion of the right lung. Solidification ensued, and was reported by the family doctor at the time of writing to me; also that the left lung was not in a healthy condition.

She had been entirely confined to the house for six months. The cough was violent at times; the expectoration muco-purulent, and sometimes tinged with blood; the shortness of breath had become constant, accompanied with palpitations and increasing weakness.

In less than two months Mr. M. was able to write: 'My wife is decidedly better, and her appetite is improved. The loss of flesh has been arrested. The sweatings are less copious.'

Six weeks later on he writes: 'I am glad to say my wife improves slowly. Her breathing is so much better that she can now lie comfortably on her right side, which caused such pain before. Everything seems to denote that the lungs are healing.'

In another month: 'Decidedly improving—the flesh firmer, and gaining slowly in weight.'

After this the patient went for change to an exposed position on the hills. This was too bleak a place, and she returned with some relapse of the dyspnoea, but on medical examination of her lungs the doctor reported that the left lung was now in a healthy state, and that there was general improvement in the condition of both lungs, though some induration at the apex of the right lung still remained.

After this, by perseverance with my medicine, all the symptoms improved, and writing me in March of 1890 Mr. M. says: 'She is now decidedly gaining flesh. I am very thankful that your treatment, under God's blessing, has worked a marvellous change in her during the past year.'

I last heard from Mr. M. in January (last month) as above named. He says: 'The severe weather of this winter had brought on some cough and expectoration. We have every confidence that this will soon be arrested, so we keep your medicine in store. We persevered when perseverance seemed hopeless—the case had been pronounced so by the local doctor—and she has enjoyed comparatively good health since, to our great joy and surprise of all our friends.'

MR. CONGREVE'S Book 'On Consumption, &c.' may be had post free for One Shilling from Coombe Lodge, Peckham, London, S.E.

NOTE.—Days of Consultation.—TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY MORNINGS ONLY, at Coombe Lodge, Peckham. Patients from any long distance should choose either of the two former days. Every one is expected to have seen the book first.

DEDICATION OF CHURCH BELLS.—A Form of Service on the Dedication of Church Bells has been prepared, in response to frequent requests. It has been submitted to and approved by eminent Churchmen. Price 2s. 6d. per 100.

OLD AND NEW LONDON.—Part 45 includes in its description of 'Bloomsbury' an interesting account of the establishment of the British Museum.

THE third number of the CRITICAL REVIEW (T. & T. Clark. Quarterly 1s. 6d.) sustains the interest of its forerunners. The most noteworthy articles are those by Prof. Sanday on 'Dean Church and his Writings'; by Prof. Candlish, on 'Harnack's Dogmengeschichte'; by Mr. Dundas Walker, on 'Bishop Lightfoot's Clement of Rome'; and Prof. Ryle, on the two recent works on 'Messianic Prophecy' (by Riehm & Delitzsch), published by Messrs. T. & T. Clark. There are many other reviews, mostly signed and all worth reading, and the theological student may be sure of finding here a full conspectus of the newest and best literature, English and foreign. The reviews in this issue are also more up to date than in the earlier ones, many of the books being only just published.

ROYAL ACADEMY PICTURES, 1891—third and concluding part. (Messrs. Cassell & Co. Price 1s.)—The claim of the editors of this publication that it is a true reflection of the best works on the Academy walls, despite the fact that the pictures of a few artists have been omitted, is well justified. The three parts are as pleasing a pictorial record of the Academy as could well be desired.

WE have received THE YOUNG MAN for June. It is, as usual, a very interesting number. Also, THE TREASURY (New York).

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Anniversary of the Salisbury Diocesan Ringers' Guild.

SALISBURY was recently visited by a large number of members of the Diocesan Ringers' Guild, who this year made the city the scene of their annual meeting. They arrived in the morning and proceeded to St. Thomas's Church, where the sermon was preached by the Rev. A. Du Boulay Hill (who fills the office of Master to the Guild), from 1 Chron. xii. 32. The Rev. H. C. Bush (Minor Canon of Sarum) intoned the prayers, Mr. J. R. Jerram (the General Secretary), read the first, and the Rev. T. J. Woodall the second lesson, the Rev. H. G. Rogers (vicar of St. Thomas's) pronouncing the Benediction. The collection realised 17. 1s.

On leaving the church the members proceeded to the schoolroom, where, under the presidency of the Master, the annual business of the Guild was transacted. The Chairman read a letter which he had received from Earl Nelson, who was prevented from attending through the death of a niece. The members of the Guild, said the rev. gentleman, were, he felt sure, both sorry for the absence of Earl Nelson and the cause of it. The election of officers was next proceeded with, those retiring being re-appointed. Some new members were introduced upon the Committee. This portion of the agenda-paper having been accomplished, the Chairman raised a question with regard to finance. He pointed out that the larger the Guild became the more ringing members it would have, and in his opinion they would not, in the future, be able to pay expenses as they had in the past.

After an interesting discussion on the subject, the Chairman pointed out that in accordance with the rules of the Guild the matter was one which could not be settled then; but he suggested that the Committee should take the matter into consideration with a view to formulating some scheme as a solution of the difficulty, which might be presented at the next annual meeting.

The business having been transacted, the members adjourned to the 'Chough Hotel,' where dinner was provided. The Rev. J. D. Morrice took the chair. The Master, in replying to the toast of 'The Diocesan Guild,' alluded to the work of the National Central Council, of which body he was one of the representatives. The toast of 'Church and Queen' was also honoured, and thanks were accorded to the Revs. H. G. Rogers and J. D. Morrice, the former for the pains he had taken to make the annual meeting a success, and the latter for presiding at the dinner.

The members rang at St. Thomas's, St. Edmund's, St. Martin's, and St. Paul's, Fisherton, after dinner. The only change-ringing done was some six-scores of DOUBLES at St. Edmund's, by the Longbridge Deverill company. Some fairly good round-ringing, and some of a very inferior character, was indulged in during the afternoon.

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AT ALDEBURGH.

THE first annual meeting of the Saxmundham district was held at Aldeburgh on Saturday, June 6th. There were twenty-eight members present, from Rendham, Sweffling, Saxmundham, Benhall, Kelsale, Leiston, and Aldeburgh. The bells of the parish church were most kindly placed at the disposal of the members, and were kept going at intervals during the afternoon and evening, various touches of BOB MINOR, OXFORD and KENT TREBLE BOB, GRANDSIRE MINOR, and DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR being successfully brought round.

The business meeting was held at seven o'clock, presided over by Mr. Fenton Thompson, when the Hon. Secretary, Mr. William Taylor, read the annual report, which showed that seven peals had been rung in the district by members of the Association, viz., three peals of BOB MAJOR, one peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, and one peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, at Leiston;

one peal of BOB MAJOR at Kelsale; and a 5040, in four methods, at Aldeburgh. The number of members belonging to the district is sixty-two, fifty-four of whom are full performing members. The eight honorary members are the Hon. Lionel Holland (73 Eaton Square, London); the Rev. B. W. Raven, M.A. (rector of Leiston); the Rev. W. Bromley (vicar of Sibton); the Rev. H. Parr (vicar of Yoxford); the Rev. H. Thompson (vicar of Aldeburgh); the Rev. E. A. Thelwall (late curate of Leiston); F. Garrett, Esq. (Aldringham House); and T. Percy Borrett, Esq. (Leiston); all of whom have joined since the formation of the district, while eighteen have joined as performing members. The quarterly meetings have been held during the year at Kelsale, Leiston, Rendham, and Saxmundham, and were all well attended. The towers in union with the district are Aldeburgh, Leiston, Saxmundham, Rendham, Sweffling, Kelsale, Peasenhall, and Sibton, all having regular weekly practice-nights, and good bands attached to them. A tablet has been placed in the tower of Aldeburgh church recording a performance that took place upon the bells in November 10th, 1890. One member had died, Mr. James Aviz, of Benhall, on May 16th, at the age of sixty-nine years, and was interred at Benhall, when some touches were rung upon the muffled bells. He had been a member of the Association from the date of its commencement in 1877. In concluding the report the Secretary urged the importance of individual effort being made to obtain an increase of honorary as well as performing members, and he thanked all his brother-ringers for the assistance they had on all occasions rendered him, without which this, the first year of the district's existence, could not have been carried to its present successful issue.

It was decided to hold the next meeting at Peasenhall, on September 5th, and to visit the neighbouring towers of Sibton and Yoxford. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. H. Thompson, for his kindness in granting the use of the bells, which brought to a close a highly successful, encouraging, and enjoyable meeting.

The Bells at Higham Ferrers, Northamptonshire.

A SPECIAL meeting of the churchwardens, sidesmen, and Bell Fund Committee was held in the Bede House on Friday, May 29th, the Vicar (the Rev. J. Dun) being in the chair. The chairman stated that since the last meeting the sum of 119l. had been collected and promised to the bell fund, and it was for that meeting to say what steps should be taken. The Vicar also stated that they had received an estimate for re-hanging the bells and adding two new bells, the sum being 338l. Dr. Crew said he was very pleased to state that he would give one new bell, and it was also intimated that the other bell would be given by other gentlemen. It was unanimously decided that Mr. Henson be asked to give an estimate for the beams and the floor-work. The churchwardens further suggested that when the sum of 200l. was given or promised the work should at once be proceeded with.

The lofty spire of the parish church of Higham Ferrers at present contains a ring of six bells, all but the treble (recast 1820) cast by Watts, of Leicester, during the seventeenth century. The tenor (dated 1633) is a nice-toned bell, weighing probably about 22 cwt. The second bell is cracked, and is to be recast. The old chimes have been silent for some years.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Mary's, Helmingham, Suffolk.

ON Monday, the 18th ult., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association rang H. Dains' peal of 5038 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 6 mins. H. Last (first peal of TREBLE BOB), 1; S. Wightman (first peal with a bob-bell), 2; W. Wighting, 3; G. Thurlowe, 4; S. Wightman, sen., 5; D. G. Wightman (conductor), 6; G. Wightman, 7; A. S. Wightman, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. The composition has the 6th nine times wrong and twelve times right, with all the 7-6-8's and 5-6 course-ends possible for calling.

At St. Mary's, Battersea, London.

ON Saturday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. G. Newson (conductor), 1; A. Jacob, 2; C. E. Malim, 3; W. Swain (birthday), 4; N. Short, 5; F. Pitts (birthday), 6; J. Barber, 7; W. F. Meads, 8. Tenor, 15½ cwt. The ringers thanked Mr. H. S. Thomas for the use of the bells.

At St. Stephen's, Westminster, London.

ON Saturday, the 30th ult., eight members of the St. James's Society rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 15 mins. H. G. Fruin, 1; C. F. Newman (conductor), 2; W. J. Nevard (Great Bentley, Essex), 3; C. F. Winny, 4; J. Willshire, 5; W. E. Garrard, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; W. Lamb, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

ON Saturday, the 30th ult., ten members of the All Saints' Association rang a peal of 5003 GRANDSIRE CATEBS in 3 hrs. 10 mins. W. H. Rowland (first peal), 1; J. Nicholls, 2; J. G. Green, 3; E. H. Adams, 4; H. S. Ellis, 5; A. Hubbard (composer), 6; H. Kenten, 7; C. Charge, 8; J. W. Driver (conductor), 9; S. How, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Speldhurst, Kent.

ON Saturday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 59 mins. W. H. Card,* 1; J. Baker, 2; R. Pelling, 3; J. Maynard, 4; G. A. Card, 5; G. Turley, 6; T. Card (conductor), 7; W. Welsh,* 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt. [* First peal.]

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 522.

At St. Mary's, Mortlake, Surrey.

On Monday, the 1st inst., eight members of the St. James's Society rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. W. E. Garrard, 1; E. Adams, 2; F. Goddard, 3; G. A. Fish, 4; G. Woodiss (conductor), 5; J. Wright, 6; H. Kenten, 7; W. Smith (first peal), 8. Tenor, 6 cwt. G. Woodiss (who is a native of Mortlake) came from Shepperton; Wright and Fish, Kingston; Goddard, Isleworth; Smith, Twickenham; the rest from London.

The St. James's Society, London.

On Monday, the 8th inst., the bells of St. Clement Danes, Strand, were rung, half-muffled, as a token of respect to the memory of the late Mr. W. Coppage, steeple-keeper of St. John's, Waterloo Road, an old and respected member of this Society. He died, in his sixty-fourth year, on Tuesday, the 2nd inst., and was buried at Nunhead Cemetery on Saturday, the 6th inst. The usual whole-pull-and-stand was rung, followed by touches of GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN CATERS. G. T. McLaughlin (conductor), 1; H. Langdon, 2; A. H. Taber, 3; W. Chew, 4; E. J. Comb, 5; H. S. Ellis, 6; W. E. Garrard, 7; H. R. Newton, 8; A. E. Church, 9; C. F. Winny, 10. Tenor, 24 cwt.

The Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

The annual meeting in connexion with the above Society will be held at Lichfield on Saturday, June 20th. Ringers to assemble in the belfry at 2½ p.m.

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SAMUEL REEVES, Hon. Sec.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, RADCLIFFE-ON-TRENT, NOTTS.—On a Saturday, the usual whole-pull-and-stand was rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late Archbishop of York. H. Buxton, 1; H. Spencer, 2; W. Wright, 3; G. Nowel, 4; E. Carnell (conductor), 5; M. Carnell, 6. Tenor, 17 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, ECKINGTON, WORCESTERSHIRE.—On a Sunday, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 32 mins. S. Wallis, 1; L. Longney (conductor), 2; E. Devereux, 3; A. Attwood, 4; A. Devereux, 5; C. Brown, 6. First 720 on the bells; it will probably be the last for some time, the bells being in a very bad condition.

AT DARTFORD, KENT.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 5 mins. E. Everson, 1; H. J. Castle, 2; E. Snowden, 3; A. Underwood, 4; J. Blackman, 5; F. French, 6; E. Everson, 7; J. Daynes, 8. Composed by H. W. Wilde, Sandiacre, and conducted by H. J. Castle.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, SWANSCOMBE, KENT.—On a Monday, 720 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE. L. Digweed, 1; F. Hayes, 2; F. Ring, 3; M. Digby, 4; W. Martin, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6. First 720 in the method by all the ringers, and the first SURPRISE method rung by them.

AT ST. JOHN-THE-BAPTISTS, CROYDON, SURREY.—On a Tuesday, a quarter-peal of 1264 BOB MAJOR. A. E. Collins, 1; A. Arnold, 2; H. Brooker, 3; A. B. Carpenter (composer and conductor), 4; G. Burt, 5; W. States, 6; T. Verrall, 7; W. Hill, 8. Tenor, 32 cwt. The longest length of MAJOR on the bells.

AT SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, the 17th ult., the bells of St. Peter's and St. Gregory's Churches were rung for the various services during the day. Also on Monday, the 18th inst., at St. Peter's a touch of 1415 STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung in 58 mins. W. Cross, 1; M. Silvester, 2; G. Brown, 3; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 4; W. Bacon, 5; J. Campin, 6; H. Harper, 7; H. Brackett, 8. In the afternoon, at All Saints' Church, an attempt was made to ring a half-peal of 2512 BOB MAJOR, but after ringing about 1600 changes the rope of the seventh bell broke, which caused a stoppage. W. Howell, jun., 1; W. Bacon, 2; G. Brown, 3; M. Silvester, 4; W. Howell, sen., 5; H. Harper, 6; A. Scott and J. Campin, 7; H. Brackett and C. Sillitoe (conductor), 8. Tenor, 28 cwt.

AT ST. MARY'S, STRATFORD-LE-BOW, LONDON.—On a Sunday, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. G. Hartnup, 1; H. Springall (conductor), 2; Y. Green, 3; S. Hayes, 4; S. Parmenter, 5; E. Hall, 6; R. Turner, 7; J. Barratt (composer), 8. This touch contains twelve 7-4's, eighteen 4-6's, eighteen 6-7's, and Queens, Tittums, and Whittingtons.

AT BISHOP'S STORTFORD, ESSEX.—On a Saturday, on handbells retained in hand, 350 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. H. J. Tucker (conductor), 1-2; H. Prior, 3-4; G. Prior, 5-6; W. Prior, 7-8. And 70 and 140 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES. G. Prior, 1-2; H. Prior, 3-4; H. J. Tucker (conductor), 5-6; W. Prior, 7-8. And 120 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. H. J. Tucker (conductor), 1-2; H. Prior, 3-4; W. Prior, 5-6.

AT ST. MARY'S, BLACKHILL, DURHAM.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 BOB MINOR (eighteen bobs and two singles) in 33 mins. R. Moore, 1; J. McPhillips, 2; J. T. Dobson, 3; B. King, 4; A. Nichols (conductor), 5; J. Moore, 6. Tenor, 22 cwt.

AT ST. MARY'S, WOOLWICH, KENT.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES (1260 changes) in 43 mins. H. Hill, 1; F. Cullum (Erith, first quarter-peal of STEDMAN), 2; W. G. Grove, 3; J. C. Harvey (conductor), 4; B. J. Sheldon, 5; W. Aldridge, 6; E. E. Richards, 7; H. Harman, 8.

AT WORTH, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday, 720 BOB MINOR. B. Mayne, 1; R. Summersall, 2; J. Tullett, 3; G. Illman, 4; J. H. Blake, 5; P. Rice (conductor),

6. 720 OXFORD BOB. G. Pace, 1; P. Denman, 2; W. Denman, 3; E. Streeter, 4; J. H. Blake, 5; F. Rice (conductor), 6. 720 COURT BOB. R. Jordan, 1; R. Summersall, 2; W. Denman, 3; G. Illmann, 4; J. H. Blake, 5; F. Rice (conductor), 6. 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. F. Rice, 1; W. Denman, 2; E. Streeter, 3; T. Streeter, 4; G. Illmann, 5; R. Jordan (conductor), 6. Messrs. W. Denman, Blake, and Summersall came from West Grinstead; Pace and Jordan, Crawley; and T. Streeter, Balcombe.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, MONEWDEN, SUFFOLK.—On a Wednesday, two eighteen-scores of BOB MINOR, with the bells deeply muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Captain A. P. Moore. E. W. Brook, 1; W. Archer, 2; H. Moss, 3; J. Hunt, 4; J. Tarrant, 5; R. H. Hayward, 6.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, PRITTLEWELL, ESSEX.—On a Monday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR (nine bobs). W. Hunt,* 1; W. Dowssett, 2; W. Bedwell, 3; J. Smith,* 4; C. Anderson,* 5; W. H. Judd (conductor), 6. [* First 720 of TREBLE BOB.]

AT CHELMSFORD, ESSEX.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 50 mins. R. C. Burrell, 1; W. Rowland, sen., 2; A. Speller, 3; W. Rowland, jun. (conductor), 4; G. Green, 5; C. H. Howard, 6; W. Battle, 7; W. Ridgewell, 8.

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I had a letter from her, January 29 of this year, writing for medicine, not for herself, but for the children of the home. She says:—'I am well, and my cough has not returned this winter, the first winter for eight years. I want the medicine to give to some consumptive girls in the home. Many such come here for fresh air and rest. As it did me such good, I feel sure it will do them.'

Writing me May 21, she says:—'Please make use of my name whenever you like. I am quite strong and well. I could never have done what I do but for your means. I am hoping to build a small hospital for consumptive children where your treatment may be used. I tell you this to show you how much I think of it.'

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3.—(1) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, the Education Department may, if they are satisfied that sufficient public school accommodation, without payment of fees, has been provided for a school district, and that the charge of school fees, or the increase of school fees, for children over five and under fourteen years of age in any particular school receiving the fee grant will be for the educational benefit of the district, from time to time approve such charge or increase of fees in that school, provided that such fees shall not exceed an average fee of 6*d.* a week for each such child.

(2) The Education Department may give such approval on the express condition that the amount received for any school year from the fees so charged or increased, or a specified portion of that amount, shall be taken in reduction of the fee grant which would otherwise have been payable for that school year, and in that case the fee grant shall be reduced accordingly.

(3) Provided that if at any time after the expiration of one year from the commencement of this Act it is represented to the Education Department that there is in any school district an insufficient amount of public school accommodation without payment of fees for children over five and under fourteen years of age, and the Education Department are satisfied after inquiry that such is the case, the Department shall require the deficiency to be supplied in the manner provided by the Elementary Education Act, 1870, with respect to the supply of public school accommodation, and the expression public school accommodation in that Act shall include public school accommodation without payment of fees.

4.—The weekly fee charged in any school receiving the fee grant for children under five years of age shall not exceed an average fee of 2*d.* per week for each such child, and the weekly fee charged in any such school for children over fourteen years of age shall not exceed an average fee of 3*d.* per week for each such child, except in either case with the previous approval of the Education Department.

5.—Nothing in Section 17 of the Elementary Education Act, 1870, shall prevent a School Board from admitting scholars to any school provided by the Board without requiring any fee.

6.—Nothing in this Act shall give any preference or advantage to any school on the ground that it is, or is not, provided by a School Board.

7.—In this act the expression 'fee' shall include any profit made by the managers or teachers of the school on the sale of books or other articles supplied to the children attending the school or to their parents on their behalf, and the expression 'school year' shall mean a year or other period for which an annual Parliamentary grant is for the time being paid or payable under the minutes of the Education Department.

8.—The Acts mentioned in the schedule to this Act are hereby repealed to the extent mentioned in the third column of that schedule.

9.—This Act shall come into operation on the first day of September, 1891.

10.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Elementary Education Act, 1891, and shall be construed as one with the Elementary Education Acts 1870 to 1890.

(2) The Elementary Education Acts, 1870 to 1890, and this Act may be cited collectively as the Elementary Education Acts, 1870 to 1891.

SCHEDULE.—ENACTMENTS REPEALED.

Session and Chapter.	Short Title.	Extent of Repeal.
33 and 34 Vict., c. 75	The Elementary Education Act, 1870.	Section 26.
39 and 40 Vict., c. 79	The Elementary Education Act, 1876.	Section 18.

REVIEWS.

THE STRAND MAGAZINE is, as usual, a wonderful sixpennyworth. It contains stories by Bret Harte, 'Out of a Pioneer's Trunk'; B. L. Farjeon, 'Three Birds on a Stile'; from the French of Count Villiers de l'Isle Adam, the editor of the *Revue des Lettres et des Arts*, 'A Torture of Hope'; by Walter Besant, 'The Rynard Gold-Reef Company, Limited'; from the Polish of Sienkiewicz, 'Janko the Musician';—whose names and reputations are a sufficient indication of the quality of their contributions. Edward Salmon, in a well-written paper, describes 'How the Blind are Educated,' in which, by the way, he makes a slip when he speaks of Henry Fawcett having attained Cabinet rank. The 'Portraits of Celebrities at Different Times of their Lives' are continued (the celebrities include the Duke of Clarence, the Duchess of Fife, Prince George of Wales, and J. L. Toole); and Miss Mabel D Hardy gives an interesting account of 'The Home for Lost Dogs.' Space will not permit us to refer to the remainder of the contents, which are by no means exhausted by all the foregoing.

THE twenty-third issue of CROCKFORD'S CLERICAL DIRECTORY is a substantial volume of 2000 pages, but it is so well bound that it opens

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A DAY AT THE ROYAL NAVAL EXHIBITION (Ward, Lock & Co., Is.) has a variety of highly coloured pictures of naval affairs, which will interest boys. It was hardly worth while to give a double-page picture of the fireworks.

DEAN BUTCHER, chaplain at Cairo, is about to publish a story on 'Gambling' in *Great Thoughts*. The scene of the story is partly laid in Cairo.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE Monthly Meeting of the Guild will be held at Sefton, on Saturday, June 27th. Bells open at three p.m.; meeting at six p.m.

Rev. W. T. BULPIT }
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The Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Society of Church Bell-ringers.

THE next Quarterly Meeting will be held at Kettering, on Saturday, July 4th. Belfry open at 2.30 p.m. HUGH BRYAN, Hon. Sec.

Raunds Vicarage, Thrapstone.

The Lancashire Association.

A RINGING meeting of the above Association was held at St. John's Church, Deansgate, Manchester, on Saturday, June 6th, when members attended from Ashton-under-Lyne, Eccles, Haughton, and Rusholme. Touches of BOB MAJOR and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES were attempted during the evening, but only one touch in each method was brought round owing to the bad 'go' of the bells. At the business meeting subsequently held in the belfry, presided over by the Rev. H. J. Elsee it, was decided to hold the next meeting at Rusholme, on Saturday, July 11th.

BLACKBURN BRANCH.—On Saturday, the 6th inst., a meeting of the Association was held at Walton-le-Dale, when representatives were present from Blackburn, Church, Higher Walton, Houghton, Preston, and Walton-le-Dale. During the afternoon the Higher Walton company rang 720 LONDON NEW BOB, and afterwards mixed companies rang touches of COLLEGE SINGLE, BOB MINOR, and GRANDSIRE MINOR. Mr. J. Walker presided at the meeting which was subsequently held, at which seven new members joined. It was decided to hold the next meeting at St. Ann's-on-the-Sea, on Saturday, June 27th, where there is a new ring of eight bells. Votes of thanks to the Vicar, Wardens, and Chairman, brought an enjoyable meeting to a close.

ROSSENDALE BRANCH.—A meeting was held on Saturday, June 6th, at Newchurch. Members attended from Rawtenstall, Waterfoot, Bacup (Christ Church and St. Saviour's), and the local company. One life member (the Rev. H. Bury, rector) and three ringing members were elected. The Rector provided a knife-and-fork tea free of cost to all who attended, and in a few remarks he expressed his good wishes and his earnest desire to forward the interests of such a good and influential body of ringers as the Association. The next meeting will be held at Rawtenstall during August.

The Herts Association.

MEETING at Benington on Saturday, June 27th. It is hoped that every member will make a special effort to attend. Members from London and intermediate stations are requested to travel by the 1.25 p.m., King's Cross (G.N.R.), to Knebworth, the nearest station, as a conveyance will be provided to meet that train. To enable arrangements to be made I shall be glad to hear on Wednesday, at the latest, from those who intend to be present.

St. Albans.

E. P. DEBENHAM, Hon. Sec.

The Benington Society of Change-ringers, Herts.

ON Saturday, the 13th inst., the members of the above Society being invited to visit Graveley and ring upon the recently rehung musical ring of six bells, by Mr. John Gray, of Hertford, raised the peal in musical order, and rang three peals of KENT TREBLE BOB and six peals of GRANDSIRE and STEEDMAN DOUBLES, with their friends of Graveley and Baldock, conducted by Messrs. J. Wright and Samuel Page. Changes rung, 2880. The bells were lowered in musical order, and all returned home with many thanks to Mr. Wright and his family for their kind hospitality. Excellent tunes were played by Mr. John Kitchener and Mr. Leonard Proctor on the fine handbells of the Benington Ringing Society.

ON Sunday, the 14th inst., the Benington Society rang upon their musical peal, for service, an excellent touch of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, containing 448 changes. For evening service they rang a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, containing 504 changes, with Queens, Tittums, and Rounds. Bells all raised and lowered in musical order. Messrs. Nathan Warren, Joseph Kitchener, Leonard Proctor, Leonard Chapman, John Kitchener, Jabez Warren, Charles Shambrook, and Samuel Page (conductor).

New Bells at Northop, Flintshire.

THE parish church having, a few years back, been thoroughly repaired and beautified, at the cost of over 4000*l.*, by a late Vicar (the Rev. Thos. Williams), and an excellent organ procured by means of public subscriptions, it was felt that one thing was still lacking to make complete one of the finest parish churches in Wales, and that was a peal of bells to replace the three old ones, one of which was cracked, and the other two giving forth uncertain sounds. Great, therefore, was the rejoicing of the parishioners when it was announced that Mrs. Wills intended to set up a peal of bells in memory of her husband, the late Colonel Wills, of Plas Bellin, in the parish. The order was placed in the hands of Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, Whitechapel, London, who took down and recast the three old bells and cast three new ones, doing the work to the satisfaction of the Improvement Committee.

On Thursday, the 11th inst., the bells were formally dedicated, a special form of service for the occasion being read by the Vicar, the Rev. Canon Richardson, and the Curate, the Rev. W. Jones, and a most instructive sermon on the history and uses of church bells delivered by the former. At the close of the service the Wrexham Church Bell-ringers gave the inhabitants of Northop and neighbourhood a pleasant treat in 'change-ringing.' The parishioners, to show their gratitude to Mrs. Wills for her generous gift, have placed in the church a brass tablet inscribed as follows:—'In the year of our Lord 1891, Helen Wills caused three old bells, formerly in the tower of this church, to be recast, and added three new ones, forming a peal of six bells, which she dedicated to the glory of God and to the loving memory of her husband, Colonel Robert Wills, J.P. & D.L., of Plas Bellin in this parish, who died Sept 4, 1890. This brass was placed here by a few intimate friends and parishioners to commemorate the gift.'

The several stories in the tower being in a very dilapidated condition, and the mullions and tracery of the bell-chamber windows, together with the roof of the tower, being in a dangerous condition, advantage was taken of the opportunity to thoroughly repair every item requiring attention, which was done under the supervision of a competent architect, at a cost of 225*l.*

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A New Peal of Bells for Ireland.

On Whit-Sunday a fine ring of eight bells, from the foundry of Messrs. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough, was dedicated to the glory of God, and for the use of the parishioners of Holywood, county Down. The bells bear the inscription, 'Holywood Parish Church. Erected by subscription, A.D. 1891.

Rev. J. B. Crozier, Vicar.' The total cost is about 480*l.* The tone of the new bells is clear and musical. The sound can be heard for several miles round.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At All Saints' Duffield, Derbyshire.

On Wednesday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association (Duffield Society) rang a peal of 5040 DUFFIELD MAJOR in 3 hrs. 2 mins. J. Howe, 1; G. Dawson, 2; W. Hicking, 3; S. Johnson, 4; G. Hingley, 5; W. Clarke, 6; B. Sugden, 7; A. P. Heywood, Esq. (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. This composition, which is now performed for the first time, was rung with the bells half muffled, as a tribute of respect to the memory of Mr. John Johnson, for many years the master of the Duffield Company, but an invalid for some years previous to his death.

At St. Giles's, Camberwell, London.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., ten members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 25 mins. G. Newson, 1; W. Wilder (first peal of CATERS), 2; A. C. Fussell, 3; H. A. Hopkins, 4; D. Foskett, 5; H. Swain, 6; A. Jacob, 7; W. Jones, 8; F. Pitts, 9; J. Barry, 10. Composed by Mr. Cox and conducted by Mr. Newson. Tenor, 25 cwt. Messrs. Fussell and Wilder came from Slough. The peal was rung in honour of the visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales to Camberwell to open a mission-hall in connexion with Trinity College. The ringers wish to thank the Rev. Frederick Kelly (vicar) for the use of the bells.

At St John-the-Evangelist's, Waterloo Road, London.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Waterloo Society rang, with the bells half muffled, as a token of respect to the late Mr. Coppage, Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 20 mins. W. Baron, sen. (conductor), 1; J. W. Mansfield, 2; S. G. Davies, 3; G. Wild, 4; F. L. Davies, 5; W. Partington, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; A. E. Church, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Crawley, Sussex.

On Saturday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Sussex County Association rang Dains's peal of 5088 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 3 mins. G. Paice (first peal of MAJOR), 1; E. Moses, 2; J. Parker, 3; F. Wickens, 4; W. Collison, 5; F. Rice, 6; E. Jordan, 7; G. Williams (conductor), 8. Tenor, 13½ cwt. The first peal in the Oxford Variation by all the ringers, also the first on the bells. Messrs. Williams came from Brighton; Moses, Reigate; Jordan, Capel; the rest are local men. Tenor, 13½ cwt., in F.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see next page.

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The Services will commence with the Celebration of the Holy Eucharist (in Hebrew), at 9 a.m., at the Mission House, 87 Commercial Road, E., to be followed by Intercessory Services, &c. &c.; and he sincerely trusts that all the friends of the Guild and the Mission, who may be unable to be present at the Hebrew Services, will not forget to intercede for the Conversion of the Jews in their own Parish Churches, and also that they will offer up a prayer that Almighty God may raise up additional friends for the Jewish Mission. The present influx of poor Russian Jews has thrown additional and heavy burdens upon him in consequence of which our Mission Fund stands in urgent need of additional help.

He also requests them to remember in their prayers a large number of Catechumens whom he is instructing in the Faith.

Any one desiring copies of the Special Services for the Day of Intercession is requested to send an addressed wrapper to the Rev. MICHAEL ROSENTHAL, 32 Navarro Road, Dalston, London, E.

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On Saturday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 2 mins. G. Prescott, 1; J. Sholicear, 2; J. Pilkington, 3; J. Taylor (first peal), 4; F. R. White, 5; W. Bentham (conductor), 6; C. Sharples, 7; T. Martland, 8. The above peal is the first half of Reeves's Variation, and the second half the last half of Holt's Ten-part peal.

At Salisbury, Wilts.

On Monday, the 8th inst., five members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang, on handbells retained in hand, a peal of 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 2 hrs. 55 mins. R. W. J. Gollop, 1-2; W. S. Wise, 3-4; W. W. Gifford, 5-6; T. Blackbourne, 7-8; H. D. Adams, 9-10. Composed by Mr. Cox and conducted by Mr. Adams.

At St. Peter's, Caversham, Oxford.

On Tuesday, the 9th inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Washbrook's peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 48 mins. H. Simmonds, 1; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 2; E. W. Menday, 3; A. W. Pille, 4; G. Essex, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 6; Jos. Hands, 7; T. Newman (conductor), 8. Tenor, 14 cwt.

At St. James's, Clerkenwell, London.

On Thursday evening, the 11th inst., the following ringing, with the bells half-muffled, took place:—

Whole-pull-and-stand. G. Wild (conductor), 1; W. T. Elson, 2; E. March, 3; W. Jones, 4; J. F. Bismire, 5; C. H. Ward, 6; J. Wheeler, 7; T. Esson, 8.

168 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. W. T. Elson, 1; F. Davis, 2; J. E. Davis, 3; G. Gains, 4; W. D. Matthews, 5; G. Wild, 6; J. Barry, 7; D. Lovett, 8. 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. F. Davis, 1; G. Wild (conductor), 2; J. Nelms, 3; J. E. Davis, 4; W. D. Matthews, 5; A. E. Church, 6; J. Barry, 7; W. Meads, 8.

The above was rung as a last mark of respect to Mr. William Coppage and Mr. William Hoverd, aged sixty-two and sixty-three respectively, both members of the Royal Cumberland Society.

At St. Thomas-the-Martyr's, Brentwood, Essex.

On Saturday, the 13th inst., Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 2 hrs. 58 mins. by the following members of the Essex Association:—A. J. Perkins (conductor), 1; W. Nash, 2; W. Pye, 3; E. Lucas, 4; J. Herbert, 5; F. Norris, 6; A. Whight, 7; J. Humphreys (first peal), 8. Tenor, 20 cwt.

At St. Gabriel's, Pimlico, London.

On Sunday afternoon, the 14th inst., being the occasion of the annual demonstration and sermon in aid of the Belgrave Hospital for Children, touches of STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES were rung by Messrs. S. J. Reed, W. Lally, H. Langdon, W. E. Garrard, E. Duff, H. J. Ellis, J. N. Oxborrow, J. M. Hayes, and R. T. Woodley.

By kind permission of the Vicar (Rev. J. H. J. Ellison), before evening service a muffled peal was rung as the last mark of respect to the late Mr. William Hoverd, of Pimlico, for many years a ringer at the above church. C. F. Winny, 1; J. N. Oxborrow, 2; H. Langdon, 3; W. Garrard, 4; E. Carter, 5; H. R. Newton, 6; R. T. Woodley, 7; J. M. Hayes (conductor), 8. After service a short touch of STEDMAN TRIPLES.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At SS. PETER AND PAUL'S, MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 26 mins. G. West, 1; W. H. Royston, 2; J. Allen, 3; R. Munn, 4; J. Smith, 5; F. Hayes (conductor), 6.

At St. MARGARET'S, ROCHESTER, KENT.—On a Tuesday, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB in 27 mins. G. Lindoff (conductor), 1; W. Baker, 2; J. Tulett, 3; A. Osborne,* 4; J. P. Kidd,* 5; W. Haigh, 6. Messrs. Lindoff and Haigh belong to Gillingham. [* First 720 in the method.]

At ALL SAINTS', FULHAM, LONDON.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of 1259 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 47 mins. A. S. Ough, 1; J. W. Driver, 2; H. R. Newton, 3; J. C. Green, 4; A. G. Ellis (first quarter-peal of CATERS), 5; A. Hubbard, 6; E. H. Adams, 7; J. Nicholls, 8; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 9; W. Crockford, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt.

At GREAT TEY, ESSEX.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. D. Claydon, 1; W. Rogers, 2; F. Davey, 3; H. Wiffen, 4; G. Galley, 5; E. Radley (conductor), 6. After service, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB. D. Claydon, 1; W. Grimwade, 2; F. Davey, 3; W. Ward, 4; W. Ladham, 5; E. Ladham's (conductor), 6. Various touches were also rung by Messrs. W. Ward, F. Davey, W. Spurgeon, and J. Cant.

At SS. PETER AND PAUL, LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, the 24th ult., 1008 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. W. Boby, 1; H. Parker, 2; C. Jarvis, 3; A. Symonds, 4; H. Smith, 5; W. Snell, 6; T. King (conductor), 7; W. Moore, 8. Rung on the occasion of Her Majesty's birthday. Also on Monday, May 25th, 640 in the same method. W. Boby, 1; H. Parker, 2; C. Jarvis, 3; T. King, 4; H. Smith, 5; W. Snell, 6; A. Symonds (conductor), 7; W. Moore, 8.

At St. MARY'S, READING, BERKS.—On a Monday, for practice, the last 742 of Holt's Original. C. Swain, 1; C. Giles, 2; J. F. Tarrant, 3; F. Hopgood (conductor), 4; E. C. Foxall, 5; J. Swain, 6; H. Blissett, 7; J. Maskell and L. Rolfe, 8.

At St. JOHN-THE-DIVINE'S, BRITTON, SURREY.—On a Sunday, for evening service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES in 50 mins. A. E. Church, 1; C. E. Malim, 2; C. F. Winny, 3; E. F. Cole, 4; G. T. McLaughlin, 5; W. T. Cockerill, 6; G. W. Wild (conductor), 7; T. Coxhead, 8. The above is the first quarter-peal in the method on the bells.

At St. PETER-AT-ARCHES, LINCOLN.—On a Tuesday, a quarter-peal of BOB MAJOR in 52 mins. W. H. Hodgson, 1; J. B. Fenton, 2; F. W. Walker, 3; J. Austin (conductor), 4; G. Chester, 5; J. W. Watson, 6; C. W. P. Clifton, 7; J. H. Harris, 8. Composed by the late Mr. Johnson. Rung with the bells deeply muffled as a tribute of respect to the late John Wells, formerly a ringer at this church. And on Sunday, June 7th, for Divine Service, 560 in the same method. W. H. Hodgson, 1; J. B. Fenton, 2; F. W. Walker, 3; J. Austin (conductor), 4; G. Chester, 5; J. W. Watson, 6; C. W. P. Clifton, 7; J. H. Harris, 8.

We have received a copy of the *Fifth Annual Report of the Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Association*, 1891 (Bell News Office). The report states that though there has not been much progress in the number of peals achieved, there has been a distinct advance in the matter of methods; and we congratulate the Association in having got out of the three-method rut by the accomplishment of a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. We heartily concur in the wish expressed in the report that previous to the annual meetings—and why not at all meetings?—a short service should be held.

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PHTHISIS, following CONGESTION of the LUNGS &c.—
A CASE PRONOUNCED HOPELESS.

I have just received the following letter from a gentleman in business in London and residing in the suburbs. He adds to his testimony 'Please do not publish my name and address for particular reasons, but should anyone desire *bona fide* to verify what I have stated, I shall be happy to see such person, and you are at liberty to send them to me.'

'Dear Sir,—I write to testify to the wondrous effect of your medicine upon me after a long period of intense suffering, during which my case was given up by three medical men. In September, 1884, I was seized with pains in my left shoulder, which I treated with simple remedies, until I became so ill as to require medical advice. It was a bad attack of pleurisy. In time this was better, but I never lost the pains. In August, 1885, I had inflammation of the lungs, to which succeeded congestion, which was followed by phthisis. I rapidly lost flesh, and my case was declared by three doctors to be hopeless. I gradually got worse, until I was persuaded to try your treatment. My wife sent you a statement of my case. I took your remedies, with the result that I made rapid progress to recovery. I cannot express my gratitude for the relief your medicine afforded me. It seemed to give me new life. I persevered for six months, and then was able to discontinue it; and now if ever I get a little cold I always take it, and am soon all right again. Undoubtedly it was the means of saving my life.'

'There was a large cavity in my left lung, which has quite healed up.

'You are at liberty to use this letter as you please.

'With earnest thanks for all that you have done for me, I am, faithfully yours, &c., &c.'

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Kent County Association.

THE Annual Meeting will be held at Folkestone on Monday, July 13th. Special service at 12.30; dinner at two o'clock. Secretaries of bands who have not received circulars from the Hon. Secretary are requested to communicate with him at once. Those who have not yet made their returns will kindly send them here. Members who wish for dinner tickets and reduced railway fares should communicate with the Secretary without delay.

E. W. CARPENTER, Hon. Sec.

6 Churchfields Place, Margate.

The Middlesex Association.

THE usual monthly meeting was held on Saturday, the 13th inst., at Ruislip. The attendance was small, no doubt owing to the remoteness and difficulty of access of the village; but those who undertook the journey had no reason to regret their determination. Some of the Tottenham band came on their bicycles, and were joined in the village by a contingent from Hendon. After tea an adjournment was made to the tower, when touches of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, and GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN TRIPLES, were rung, finishing with a touch of CANTERBURY PLEASURE MAJOR. At 8.30 the members commenced their homeward journey, all satisfied with their excursion.

The St. Mary's Guild, Portsea, Hants.

THE annual meeting of the above Guild was held on the 12th inst. at the Vicarage, under the presidency of the Vicar (Rev. Canon Jacob). The Rev. R. C. M. Harvey having read the balance-sheet for the past year, the Vicar remarked on the progress of the band during that time, which he thought was very satisfactory, and reflected credit on the ringers themselves, as well as on their painstaking instructor (Mr. J. W. Whiting, of Fareham). Other business having been transacted, Mr. Harper presented to the Vicar a framed photograph of the members of the Guild. The Vicar said it gave him great pleasure to accept such a present at their hands, and he should always keep it as a token of the good feeling existing between them as Church-workers. The Rev. R. C. M. Harvey also presented three photographs of the church to the Guild, to be hung up in the ringing-chamber, which were suitably acknowledged: and, with best wishes for the success of the Guild during the ensuing year, the meeting terminated.

The Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-Ringing Association.

On Saturday, June 13th, a Committee and Quarterly meeting was held in the National Schoolroom, Pershore, under the presidency of the Venerable the Archdeacon of Worcester. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed. Several new members (honorary and performing) were added to the list, and Clent was the place appointed for the next meeting, to be held in September.

The Master (Mr. Spittle) in proposing a vote of thanks to the Chairman for the complimentary terms in which he spoke in his visitation charge of the different ringing associations, the great change they had brought about in the conduct of the ringers themselves and in the renovation of the belfries, called attention to one passage which said, 'A clergyman was no more out of place in a belfry than in a vestry or at a choir practice,' and remarked that where the clergy made a practice of visiting the belfries, the bells were generally in better 'going' condition, and the ringers more attentive to their duties. In a humorous manner he remarked that the difficulty experienced in getting into the belfry at Holy Cross Church, no doubt, was the reason the Archdeacon did not visit that belfry much. The members present would be pleased to see him up there that afternoon, when he would see that it was anything but a pleasure to ring the bells there.

The proposition was seconded by Mr. W. R. Small, supported by the Hon. Secretary, Mr. G. H. Pagett, and carried unanimously.

The reverend Chairman, in responding, gave an interesting description of the different belfries he had already visited in his archdeaconry, and hoped to have the pleasure of visiting them all. In reference to the remark respecting the bells, he said it was an old saying that the children of a cobbler were worse shod, and the children of a tailor worse clothed, than any other; so it appeared that his bells, which should be in a good ringing condition, were not so. If the Association could offer any suggestion whereby they could be improved, he was sure it would be listened to, and, if possible, acted upon.

Another vote of thanks to the reverend Chairman for the use of the school-room, tower, and bells, proposed by the Rev. H. Kingsford (Stoulton), seconded by Mr. R. E. Grove, and responded to by that gentleman, brought the business meeting to a close.

During the afternoon and evening several attempts to ring touches of STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES and KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR (on the bells at Holy Cross) came to a finish, owing to the 'go' of the bells. A 720 of GRANDSIRE was accomplished on the six bells at St. Andrew's.

A fair number of the members stayed over Sunday, and a visit was paid to Croome d'Abitot. For morning service an attempt was made for 720 KENT TREBLE BOB, which was lost owing to the fifth wheel casting rope. The bells were again soon at work for 720 CANTERBURY PLEASURE, but, after ringing about 600 changes, came to an end. In the afternoon a visit was made to Little Comberton, but owing to service here, a move was made to Great Comberton, and an attempt for 720 PLAIN BOB soon came to a finish, owing to the breaking of the tenor rope. The Rev. N. Sherladine, M.A., who

accompanied the party to the belfry, afterwards gave an interesting description of the bells and their dates, the church and its register, which dates back several centuries. After a walk through the rectory gardens and grounds, the return journey was made to Pershore.

CHANGE-RINGING.

Muffled Peals at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, London.

ON Friday evening, the 12th inst., members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang the bells half muffled, as a token of respect to the memory of two old and highly-respected members of the Society—Messrs. Caleb William Coppage and William Hovord. The usual whole-pull-and-stand was performed, followed by touches of STEDMAN CINQUES and CATERPS.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Speldhurst, Kent.

ON Saturday, the 13th inst., eight members of the Kent County Association rang a peal of 5056 BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 53 mins. R. Pelling, 1; J. Maynard, 2; J. Baker, 3; G. Turley, 4; F. Still, 5; F. Still, jun., 6; G. A. Card, 7; T. Card, 8. Composed by C. H. Martin, and conducted by T. Card. Tenor, 12½ cwt. The composition has 5-6 only in sixth's place as a course-end.

At the Parish Church, Harborne, Staffordshire.

ON Monday, the 15th inst., eight members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 57 mins. G. Farmer, 1; T. Horton, 2; J. Grovener,* 3; J. R. Frisby, 4; T. Gibbs, 5; Jos. W. Timms, 6; S. Reeves (conductor), 7; J. Such,* 8. Tenor, 12 cwt. The above peal was rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect for the late Vicar, the Rev. E. Roberts, who was buried on the above date, and who had been connected with the above church for upwards of forty years. Messrs. Reeves, Horton, and Frisby, belong to West Bromwich; Timms, Tamworth; the rest to the local band. [* First peal.]

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TWO CASES REPORTED by a CITY MISSIONARY, DUNFERMLINE, N.B.—ADVANCED PHTHISIS & HÆMORRHAGE.

'Your medicine has done wonders for R. K. Christian friends here helped him to obtain it. Three doctors saw him at different times last year, and all said he *could not live to the new year*. He was confined to his bed. Now he is going about.

'Another in this town was attacked with severe bleeding in the lungs, and unable to do anything for months. By my recommendation he put himself under your treatment. *His case had been also reported hopeless*. He has now, to the great joy of himself and wife, returned to his occupation of teaching, strong and well.'

ALEX. HIGH, GRANTS BANK, DUNFERMLINE, April 16, 1891.

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OUR OWN GAZETTE (Partridge & Co.) deserves to find an entrance into every home, and is the best penny periodical for girls that we know. 'Janet's Temper' is a very nice story, by Agnes Giberne, and 'Luman Skinkle's Religion' is capital, and makes the little magazine worth taking if it contained nothing else. The competitions, too, are well arranged, and the occasional 'spelling chase' is a great attraction.

ONWARD AND UPWARD (Partridge & Co.) is a fair average number.

THE CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL MAGAZINE (C.E.S.S. Institute) is publishing a useful set of 'Lesson Notes on the Gospel According to St. Mark,' by the Rev. R. R. Resker, and a series of papers on 'The Bible and the Monuments,' by the Rev. J. G. Kitchin. Mrs. Malden's article, entitled, 'Bearing One Another's Burdens,' that by the Rev. H. D. S. Sweetapple on 'The Teacher: his Position and Needs,' and the Rev. T. Havell's 'Hints on the Art of Teaching in Sunday Schools,' all contain much useful advice.

In the CHURCH WORKER (C.E.S.S. Institute) the Bishop of Southwell treats of 'Women's Work among Women,' and Lord Norton of 'Prayerhoods.' The lesson-notes issued each month are on 'Bible and Prayer-book Teaching.'

MEADOWSWEET is the title of the extra summer number of the *G. O. P.*, and its pages have been successfully catered for by the editor. 'Doctor Ainley's Two Holidays,' by Ruth Lamb, will be popular with young folk, and 'Little Kindnesses,' by Evelyn Upton, ought to open their eyes to unimagined ways and means of helping others, whilst 'Cakes for Afternoon Tea,' 'Summer Vegetables,' &c., will be of practical service.

We have received from the R.T.S. the third part of THE GIRL'S OWN OUTDOOR BOOK, and of OUTDOOR GAMES AND RECREATIONS FOR BOYS, each of which will probably be eagerly welcomed by those for whom it is intended. The former is entirely occupied this month with advice on seaside holidays, much of which is excellent, and the latter deals chiefly with boating.

THE Holiday Fashion Double Number of THE GENTLEWOMAN contains a complete set of fashions for costumes required during the holidays. In addition to the usual well-known features, there is also a story by Walter Besant, and one by Nathalie, ex-Queen of Servia.

FROM the well-known publishing house of Messrs. Cassell & Co. we have received Part 46 of *Old and New London*; Part 18 of *Archdeacon Farrar's Life of Christ*; Part 82 of the *Old Testament Commentary for English Readers*, edited by the Bishop of Gloucester and Bristol; Part 22 of Dr. Cunningham Geikie's *Holy Land and the Bible*—all of which are too well known to call for any special mention.

IRELAND.

THE Dean of Cork (Dr. Madden) died on Thursday last week at one o'clock, at his residence, the Deanery. He was sixty years of age. The Dean had for some time been unwell, but his friends had every hope of his recovery until a fortnight ago. He entered Trinity College, Dublin, in October, 1848, and passed through a remarkable undergraduate course, obtaining six first honours, four second honours, and two moderatorships in 1853—one in mathematics and the other in ethics and logic. The following year he was awarded the first of Bishop Law's mathematical prizes, and took his B.A. degree. In the year 1875 he was appointed to the Rectory of Christ Church, and in 1878 he was made Rector of St. Finbarre's and Dean of the Cathedral. He also held many other offices of importance and responsibility in the diocese. The funeral took place on Saturday at nine o'clock in the morning, and was attended by a large number of the clergy and laity, among whom was the Bishop of the diocese and the Bishop of Killaloe.

ECCLESIASTICAL REVENUE.—A return moved for in June, 1887, by the late Lord Addington, before his elevation to the Peerage, has just been laid upon the table of the House of Commons. It shows the property and revenues of the archiepiscopal and episcopal Sees, and the cathedral and collegiate churches of England and Wales, including the property of the minor canons, vicars-choral, and others; of ecclesiastical benefices, including donatives, perpetual curacies, and chapelries; of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, and of the Corporation of Queen Anne's Bounty. The work of collecting and arranging this information has occupied exactly four years. According to the return the total revenue of the Church of England is 5,469,171*l.* from ancient endowments, and 284,386*l.* from private bounty since 1703. The ancient endowments of the archiepiscopal and episcopal Sees amount to 87,827*l.*; of cathedral and collegiate churches, 192,460*l.*; of ecclesiastical benefices, 3,941,057*l.*; of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, 1,247, 827*l.* The income of the archiepiscopal and episcopal Sees from private bounty (since 1703) is 11,081*l.*, that of the ecclesiastical benefices being 372,605*l.* The income from Queen Anne's Bounty is 700*l.*

TOBACCONISTS COMMENCING.—*Illd. Guide, 3d.* Tobaccoists' Outfitting Co., 86 Euston R.L., London. Prospectus on Jewellery and Stationery Trades free. Est. 1866.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Essex Association of Change-ringers.

THERE will be a meeting of the above Association at Coggeshall on Saturday, July 18th. The towers of Coggeshall and Great Tey (eight bells each) will be open for ringing. A brake will leave Coggeshall for Great Tey at 3 p.m. A meat tea and business meeting will be held at the 'White Hart Inn,' Coggeshall, at 5.45 p.m. Members intending to be present should inform the Association Secretary not later than Sunday, July 11th.

HENRY T. W. EYRE, *Association Secretary.*

Great Totham Vicarage, Witham.

The Lancashire Association.

ROCHDALE BRANCH.—A meeting of this Branch was held at St. Thomas's Church, Moorside, on Saturday, the 20th ult. Members attended from Rochdale, Heywood, Oldham, Leesfield, Saddleworth, Flixton, and the local members, and there was a fairly successful meeting, but owing to the bad 'go' of the tenor it became unmanageable, and 'stand' was called after two attempts at GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Touches of GRANDSIRE and TREBLE BOB MINOR were rung on the front six. Mr. Samuel Stott presided at the meeting, when two new ringing members were made, and the place selected for the next meeting was Leesfield, on July 25th. The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks to the Chairman, Vicar, Wardens, and ringers, for the use of the bells and school.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.—The usual monthly meeting was held recently at the Parish Church, Huyton, near Liverpool. Ringers attended from Liverpool, Garston, Prescot, Grassendale, &c., besides the local company. The Vicar presided, and after passing the minutes of last meeting he addressed those present, giving all a hearty welcome, and expressed a wish to become a life member of the Association, he himself being a ringer. He was then duly elected. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Halewood (eight-bell tower), on Saturday, the 4th inst.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

THE annual meeting of this Society was held on Saturday, June 20th, at Lichfield, when there was a good muster of members from all parts of the archdeaconry. The bells of the Cathedral were kept going during the afternoon, but those of St. Mary's were silent, owing to illness, and at St. Michael's through being out of repair. A Committee meeting was held in the Cathedral belfry, when twelve ringing members and one honorary member were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Wombourne at the end of September. A short service was held in the Lady Chapel, and an excellent address given by the Rev. D. Jones, of Lichfield. Tea was served at the coffee-house, after which the general meeting was held, the Rev. J. R. Keble taking the chair in the unavoidable absence of the Ven. Archdeacon Scott. A letter was read from the Treasurer, the Rev. C. H. Joberns, stating he would not be able to carry on the office, and requesting some one to be elected in his stead. The Rev. J. R. Keble was elected Hon. Treasurer; the Rev. D. Jones and Mr. S. Reeves, Hon. Secretaries. The balance-sheet was read, which showed a balance of upwards of 7*l.* A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the late Hon. Treasurer for engraving the peals rung by the Society in the peal-book for the past few years. As the photographer was waiting to commence operations, a general move was made to the lawn, which took up the remainder of the time, thus ending a very pleasant meeting.

Lavenham, Suffolk.

THE annual festival of the church bell-ringers of this town was held on Saturday, June 20th (the proper day for the gathering, June 21st, this year falling on Sunday). There was a rather small attendance of visitors compared with former years. The dinner was held at the 'Cock Inn.' Amongst the company were Messrs. C. Sillitoe and W. Cross, from Sudbury, also Mr. G. Day, of Eye. The Ipswich company were prevented at the last moment from attending. The ringing consisted of a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 630 changes, rung by W. Boby, 1; G. Day, 2; W. Cross, 3; C. Sillitoe, 4; H. Smith, 5; W. Snell, 6; A. Symonds, 7; W. Moore, 8. Also a touch of 1392 BOB MAJOR in 58 mins. W. Boby, 1; W. Howell, sen., 2; W. Cross, 3; H. Smith, 4; A. Symonds, 5; W. Snell, 6; N. Hawkins (Belcham), 7; C. Sillitoe, 8. Both these touches were conducted by Mr. C. Sillitoe. A quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in the early morning by the Lavenham company, conducted by Mr. T. King.

Stanstead, Suffolk.

On Saturday, June 20th, being the anniversary of the accession of her Majesty, the Rector (the Rev. F. Pearson) invited the ringers to dine with him at the Rectory, where at one o'clock all the ringers assembled, with Mr. S. Slater of Glemsford. After dinner the handbells were rung to various touches of BOB MAJOR, after which the church bells were rung till six o'clock, when the company again assembled at the Rectory to partake of tea, after which the handbells were again brought into use. The ringers one and all wish through *Church Bells* most sincerely to thank the Rector for his great kindness on this and other occasions. The ringing during the day consisted of the following:—First, 720 of PLAIN BOB, composed by William Norris of Lancashire, with twenty-two singles and two bobs: A. J. Clarke, 1; R. Theobald, 2; G. Smith, 3; R. Gowers (conductor), 4; A. Papworth, 5; R. Brett, 6. Second, 720 of KENT TREBLE BOB: A. J. Clarke (conductor), 1; A. Papworth, 2; R. Gowers, 3; G. Smith, 4; R. Theobald, 5; R. Brett, 6. Third, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB: S. Slater (conductor), 1; G. Smith, 2; R. Theobald, 3; A. J. Clarke, 4; R. Brett, 5; R. Gowers, 6. Fourth, 720

OXFORD TREBLE BOB: A. J. Clarke, 1; R. Gowers, 2; G. Smith, 3; R. Brett, 4; S. Slater, 5; R. Theobald (conductor), 6. Other touches were rung, in all amounting to 4456 changes.

The Ringers of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leicestershire.

The annual excursion of the members of the Parish Church Society of Change-ringers took place on Wednesday, the 24th ult., accompanied by the vicar (Rev. Canon Denton), Mr. Churchwarden Matthews, and upwards of 150 teachers and friends connected with the Parish (St. Helen's) and Holy Trinity Church Sunday Schools. A pleasant visit was paid to Leamington, Kenilworth, and Warwick.

The bells of the Parish Church, Kenilworth, St. Mary's and St. Nicholas', Warwick, and All Saints', Emscote, were placed at the disposal of the Society, and ringing was enjoyed at all the places with the exception of St. Mary's, Warwick, where, in consequence of a death close to the church, ringing was postponed. A quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, composed and conducted by W. Canner, was rung at Emscote (tenor, 17½ cwt.) in 45 mins., by W. Liggins, 1; H. Canner, 2; T. Jacques, 3; J. Hopkin, 4; W. Owen, 5; J. H. Dunmore, 6; W. Canner, 7; and J. Curtis, 8. An enjoyable feature of the day's proceedings was the meeting with Mr. Hopkin, an old member of the Society, now resident in Leamington. Besides those mentioned as taking part in the quarter-peal, Messrs. Howe, Thornley, Cutter, Heafield, and Beadmore accompanied the party.

The thanks of the Society are tendered, through *Church Bells*, to the vicars of the above-mentioned churches, for the use of the bells, and to the Vicar of Hatton (Rev. H. C. Courtney), for the kind invitation to visit his church, which, to the general regret, was found impossible to arrange.

New Bells at Littleport, Isle of Ely.

On the Festival of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (the 24th ult.) a new ring of eight, part of a memorial to the late Vicar, Canon Hopkins, was opened by the members of the Ely Diocesan Association of Change-ringers. Originally there were four bells (three by Draper), but two of these were cracked, and with the others are incorporated in the new peal, which well fills the lofty tower and Fen landmark. The Ven. Archdeacon Emery dedicated the bells at an afternoon service, with address. The peal is a tuneful ring of bells, and does great credit to the Cripplegate Foundry. The parish and friends have provided the funds for (1) a stained-glass window of extraordinary size and beauty; (2) a fine large organ by Booth, of Wakefield; and (3) last, not least, a fine ring of bells.

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Clarkson, one of the parochial ringers of St. Sepulchre's, Holborn Viaduct, City of London, for kindly inserting the notice of concert, &c., in the paper; also, those gentlemen who have kindly subscribed towards the same, to whom the Committee are extremely obliged.

BALANCE-SHEET.—Receipts.—To amount realised by sale of tickets, 15l. 8s.; collected in plate at the door, 13s. 0½d.; subscription list per Mr. H. Hart, 8l. 3s.: total, 24l. 4s. 0½d. Expenditure.—By printing, 1l. 16s.; hire of seats, 2l. 18s. 4d.; hire of piano, 1l.; pianist, 7s. 6d.; refreshments, 10s. 6d.; sundries, 15s. 7d.: leaving a balance of 16l. 16s. 1½d.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Anne's, Highgate, London.

ON Saturday, the 13th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 47 mins. G. Newson (conductor), 1; J. Page, 2; G. Smith,* 3; R. Bevan,* 4; C. H. Martin, 5; H. A. Hopkins, 6; A. Jacob, 7; J. Cawley, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. [* First peal.]

At the Parish Church, Great Marlow, Bucks.

ON Saturday, the 13th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 56 mins. A. H. Cocks, Esq., 1; L. E. Collins,* 2; J. W. Washbrook, 3; W. H. Theobald,* 4; W. E. Yates (first peal as conductor), 5; J. C. Truss, sen., 6; J. C. Truss, jun., 7; Rev. Vere Awdry,* 8. Mr. Washbrook came from Oxford; the Rev. Vere Awdry is Vicar of Broad Hinton, Wilts, and formerly (1883-84) foreman of Great Marlow belfry; the others are local men. [* First peal.]

At St. Albans, Herts.

ON Saturday, the 13th ult., four members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang, on handbells retained in hand, Sottanstell's peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 20 mins. E. R. Mitchell, 1-2; G. W. Cartmel, 3-4; W. H. L. Buckingham (conductor), 5-6; J. E. Randall (first peal of MAJOR), 7-8. Umpire, Mr. R. Hammond. The above are also members of the Herts and Essex Associations, and the St. Albans Cathedral Society.

At St. Mary's, Helmingham, Suffolk.

ON Saturday, the 20th ult., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association rang a peal of 5120 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 14 mins. J. Motts (composer and conductor), 1; O. Moule (first peal in the method), 2; I. S. Alexander, 3; A. E. Durrant, 4; W. L. Catchpole, 5; E. T. Shearing, 6; W. Motts, 7; F. Tillet, 8. Tenor, 19½ cwt.

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At St. Martin's, Salisbury.

On Wednesday, the 17th ult., eight members of the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 48 mins. S. Macey, 1; H. D. Adams, 2; T. F. Stephens (London), 3; C. A. Clements, 4; R. W. J. Gollop, 5; W. S. Wise (conductor), 6; W. W. Gifford, 7; G. Gaisford, 8.

On Saturday, the 20th ult., by the same Guild, Hollis's peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 47 mins. S. Macey, 1; H. D. Adams, 2; W. S. Wise (conductor), 3; C. A. Clements, 4; T. Groves (Shrewsbury), 5; W. W. Gifford, 6; W. H. George, 7; A. Gaisford, 8.

At St. Peter's, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire.

On Thursday, the 18th ult., eight members of the United Counties' Association rang Taylor's Bob-and-Single Variation peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 2 mins. J. Etchells, 1; T. Heywood (first peal in the method, who was proposed a member of the Association before starting for the peal), 2; J. H. Brierley, 3; C. Willocks, 4; J. Crabtree, 5; W. Jakeman, 6; J. Harrison, 7; E. Brown, 8. The bells were rung muffled as a token of respect to the late Mr. Samuel Heap, who has been connected with the above church since its opening in 1824.

At St. Lawrence's, Longney, Gloucestershire.

On Saturday, the 20th ult., eight members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association and the St. Michael's Juniors, Gloucester, rang a peal of 5120 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 59 mins. H. G. Gardiner,* 1; F. E. Hart,* 2; E. B. James,* 3; J. H. Brawn,* 4; E. E. Bewick,* 5; J. E. Groves,* 6; W. J. Sevier, 7; H. K. James (conductor), 8. Tenor, 16 cwt. The composition is in five parts, taken from the *Clavis*, and is the first peal in the method by the Association and on the bells. [* First peal of OXFORD.]

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Tonbridge, Kent.

On Saturday, the 20th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 10 mins. H. Hopkins, 1; G. A. Card,* 2; C. H. Martin,* 3; E. F. Cole, 4; T. Card, 5; J. Barber, 6; A. Jacob, 7; G. Newson (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 21 cwt. The above is the first peal of MAJOR on the bells, it being upwards of one hundred years since the first attempt was made here for a peal of MAJOR. [* First peal of TREBLE BOB.]

At Christ Church, Oldbury, Gloucestershire.

On Monday, the 22nd ult., eight members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. J. W. Sayer, 1; S. Reeves (conductor), 2; J. Hall, 3; T. Horton, 4; H. Mills, 5; Rev. Hall, 6; W. R. Small, 7; W. Gould, 8.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Boughton, near Faversham.

On Friday, the 26th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association rang a peal of 5040 BOB TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 6 mins. A. Smith, 1; G. A. Ransom, 2; E. E. Foreman, 3; R. Castle, 4; H. F. Foreman, 5; F. T. Harris, 6; W. W. Boulden, 7; W. Foreman, 8. Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, and conducted by W. W. Boulden. This peal contains 154 bobs and 26 singles, and is now rung for the first time.

St. Albans Cathedral Society, Herts.

The annual holiday of the above Society took place on Saturday, June 20th, and lasted until the following Tuesday. The place of resort was Portsmouth, the headquarters being made at the Home Restaurant, Landport. The holiday was very much enjoyed by all, the party resorting to the usual seaside pastimes. A trip to Shanklin was taken on the Monday, some of the party going to Ventnor. A game of cricket was played on Shanklin sands by the band, which caused much amusement both to the players and on-lookers. On the return-home journey on Tuesday a stoppage was made at Chichester, and an inspection of the Cathedral was made, which proved very interesting. Of course, the belfry, which is quite a model one, was visited; but ringing was not obtainable, so a touch of TREBLE BOB on the handbells had to suffice. St. Albans was reached in the early hours of Wednesday morning, all having thoroughly enjoyed the outing.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At ST. PETER'S, BELGRAVE, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On a Monday, the first half of Taylor's Bob-and-Single peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 35 mins. J. O. Lancashire, 1; A. Ballard, 2; S. Cotton, 3; J. Smith, 4; E. Smith, 5; J. Pole, 6; S. Pole, 7; W. Miller, 8.

At ST. MARY AND ALL SAINTS', KIDDERMINSTER.—On a Wednesday, 800 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR. W. Wakeman, 1; H. Williams, 2; T. J. Salter, 3; J. Bennett, 4; T. Bennett, 5; W. H. Smith, 6; J. Crane, 7; R. E. Grove (conductor), 8.

At ST. EDMUND'S, SALISBURY.—On a Tuesday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 47 mins. S. Macey, 1; T. F. Stevens (Royal Cumberlands, London), 2; F. Rigden, 3; R. W. J. Gollop, 4; T. Blackburn, 5; H. D. Adam, 6; W. S. Wise (conductor), 7; W. W. Gifford, 8. Tenor, 27 cwt.

At ST. MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS', BASINGSTOKE, HANTS.—On a Wednesday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 42 mins. W. Leavey, 1; F. Wilson, 2; J. Ballard, 3; E. Humfrey, 4; H. Humfrey, 5; J. R. Higgins, 6; H. White (conductor), 7; A. Knight, 8. Messrs. E. and H. Humfrey came from Abingdon.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, CLITHEROE, LANCASHIRE.—On a Thursday, 720 BOB MINOR in 29 mins. J. Smith (conductor), 1; R. Rawthorne, 2; W. Crook, 3; J. Lofthouse, 4; G. Myres, 5; W. Lofthouse, 6. Tenor, 16 cwt.

At HOLY TRINITY, ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, the last 742 of Holt's Original. G. Treagus, 1; F. Luxford (con-

ductor), 2; Rev. R. F. Tompkins, 3; C. Blackman, 4; E. Ede, 5; G. Balchin, 6; H. Haggett, 7; A. Mills, 8.

At ST. PETER'S, CROYDON, SURREY.—On a Monday, for practice, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. A. E. Collins, 1; W. O. Gammon, 2; F. Larby (first 500 with a bob-bell), 3; W. Sadler (conductor), 4; G. Burt, 5; C. H. Kirching, 6; F. G. Hermon, 7; G. Blake, 8.

At ST. NICHOLAS', GUILDFORD, SURREY.—On a Thursday, for practice, 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. G. Croucher, 1; M. Brown, 2; F. W. J. Rees, 3; J. J. Jones, 4; T. H. Colbourn, 5; F. Bennett (conductor), 6; W. Grove, 7; C. Searies, 8. Tenor, 23 cwt.

At WATERFOOT, NEAR ROSSENDALE.—On a Monday, 720 BOB MINOR (sixteen bobs and two singles). R. H. Halstead (conductor), 1; J. Bolton, 2; J. Ashworth, 3; J. Shepherd, 4; J. Whitaker, 5; W. Whitaker, 6. Rung as a last mark of respect to Wm. Maxwell.

At AYLESFORD, KENT.—On a Saturday, eight members attempted W. Harrison's 10,176 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, but after ringing 9152 changes in 5 hrs. 15 mins., the bells were brought round, owing to a change-course. W. Cooke, 1; A. Moorcraft, 2; A. Palmer, 3; A. C. West, 4; E. Barnett, 5; F. French, 6; W. Haigh, 7; G. Lindoff (conductor), 8. Tenor, 16 cwt.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Old East Derbyshire Association.

ON Saturday, the 20th ult., the above Association held their quarterly meeting at Chesterfield. The attendance was small, owing probably to several of the village feasts being held on the same day, and the Staveley company were engaged in ringing at home. Several short touches were rung in the afternoon by mixed bands from Eckington, Chesterfield, Killamarsh, Wingfield, and Norton. The bells are in good ringing order. The meeting was held at half-past five in the Church mission-room, presided over by the Rev. R. E. Adderley. The minutes having been confirmed, it was arranged to hold the next meeting at Dronfield. The Rev. H. E. Ferry proposed, Mr. T. Lunn seconded, and it was carried—'That this meeting regrets the appearance of an anonymous letter in the *Derbyshire Courier* respecting the annual dinner at North Wingfield, and hopes that in future, should any unpleasantness arise, the matter will be brought before the next meeting instead of writing to the public press.' Mr. Goodwin proposed, and Mr. A. Knights seconded, a vote of thanks to the Vicar of Chesterfield for presiding, and for the use of the bells and mission-room. The rev. gentleman, in reply, expressed regret for not having paid that attention to the ringers which he ought to have done. He was pleased to see that a great change had taken place of late among the ringers of Chesterfield and other towers in the district. He promised to take a more active part among the ringers in future. Mr. A. Knights said that he was glad to hear the Vicar make such a promise. He explained to the meeting how well the new rule was working among the Chesterfield company. Although several members had left them, new hands had taken their place, and he hoped that in the future Chesterfield would have a full band of ten good ringers. Mr. G. Toplis, who claimed to be one of the old band of ringers, fully endorsed Mr. Knight's sentiments. Several touches of MAJOR and TRIPLES were rung after the meeting. The Chesterfield band also gave the members a good selection of tunes on the handbells, which brought the day's proceedings to a close.

The Lancashire Association.

A MEETING of the above was held at Lytham on Saturday, the 27th ult. The bells of the parish church and those of St. John's were rung at intervals during the afternoon. The meeting took place shortly after 5 p.m. in the parish schools, Mr. J. Walker, of Blackburn, presiding. The Chairman explained the object of the meeting, also the lines on which the various branches were conducted. Messrs. J. Shepherd, F. Birtwistle, J. Bedford, Mawdsley, and H. W. Jackson advocated the formation of a branch. It was ultimately decided to establish a branch, on the proposition of Mr. Birtwistle, Rochdale, seconded by Mr. Mawdsley, Preston, to be designated the 'Fylde Branch of the Lancashire Association,' Mr. John Fell, 21 Clifton Street, Lytham, being appointed local secretary. Blackpool, St. Anne's-on-the-Sea, Lytham, Poulton, Singleton, and Kirkham comprise the district, which, it is hoped, will prove successful. The new branch commences with seven members, all of Lytham. Votes of thanks to the Church authorities concluded the meeting.

The Leeds and District Society.

THE monthly ringing meeting of the above Society was held at Armley on Saturday, the 27th ult., and was well attended by members from Bramley, Birstall, Leeds, Headingley (St. Chad's and Michael's), Holbeck, and Burley, and the local ringers. The ringing commenced with a half-peal of VIOLET. From 3.30 to 9.30 the bells were kept going in various methods, including BOB MINOR, KENT AND OXFORD TREBLE BOB, DUKE OF YORK, and VIOLET. The general meeting for business was held at the meeting-house. A motion was carried to admit members residing at any distance from headquarters; also the ringing meeting to be held out of the limited distance, six miles, as before, the place to be chosen by ballot at general meetings. Votes of thanks were given to the vicar, wardens, steeple-keeper, and ringers for the use of the bells and arrangements made. The President, Mr. J. Whitaker, briefly responded. The evening passed too quickly with courses of CATERS, TRIPLES, and a few lively tunes by the Leeds band on the handbells. St. Michael's, at Headingley, was the place decided for the July meeting, when this Society for the first time will ring upon the new peal recently erected by Taylor & Co., Loughborough.

The Bells of Cullompton, Devonshire.

SATURDAY, June 13th, was a red-letter day in Cullompton, being the day the church bells were reopened. In April, 1890, the old fittings of the tower were found to be incapable of bearing the strain of much ringing, and an effort to remedy this state of things was commenced by Mr. Jago, who has really been the principal means of again bringing the bells into their proper use. The matter was undertaken by a self-constituted committee, consisting of the Vicar, the Churchwardens (Mr. Frank Sellwood, C.C., and C. B. Ewens), and the ex-Churchwarden (Mr. John Rew), with Mr. Jago as hon. secretary. The second and seventh bells have been recast by Messrs. John Warner & Sons, London, the former at the expense of Messrs. Hill, Bond Street, who are natives of Cullompton. In addition the frame has been repaired, the first, third, fourth, fifth, and tenor bells (the latter being about 23 cwt. and cast by Bilbie, of Cullompton) have been quarter-turned, and the whole of the peal rehung with new fittings by Mr. H. Stokes, of Woodbury. The total cost of this work amounted to about 180*l.*, which has been raised. Steps are being taken to replace the present worn-out chiming apparatus, and to repair the clock and pinnacles of the tower. For the second undertaking a sum of about 83*l.* will be required, of which about 60*l.* are already in hand. The day's proceedings opened with a short special

service in the parish church at 3.45 p.m., when the congregation was fairly large. An appropriate address was delivered by the Vicar upon the words, 'Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God' (1 Cor. x. 31). An offertory, amounting to 6*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* was taken in aid of the clock, &c., fund. Service over, the bells were reopened by members of the Devonshire Guild of Ringers, together with the local teams. After partaking of tea in the schoolroom, the visitors rang a short touch and some tunes upon handbells, which were much appreciated, and another adjournment was then made to the belfry.

Bell-ringers' Festival at Sudbury, Suffolk.

ST. PETER'S DAY this year falling on Sunday, the ringers' gathering took place the following day, when a party of about thirty met and handled the bells in each of the towers, commencing as early as six in the morning and giving some fine touches of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB, STEDMAN TRIPLES, GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, TREBLE BOB and BOB MAJOR. The Sudbury company were assisted by ringers from Glemsford, Stanstead, Walter Belchamp, Great Bentley, and an old friend, J. Bonney, a native of the town, who came from London. Dinner was served at the 'Bear' Inn. The chair was occupied by the Rector, Rev. T. Lingard Green, who was supported by the Rev. C. J. Stower (All Saints') and the Mayor, G. H. Grimwood, Esq. (minister's churchwarden for St. Gregory's). The other guests present were the Rev. R. P. Moline, Mr. Councillor Constable (churchwarden for St. Gregory's), Messrs. W. Finch, W. W. Hodson, C. Sillitoe, W. Bacon, A. Scott, J. Campin, W. Howell, sen. and jun., G. Brown, H. Harper, and H. Brackett (Sudbury); John Bonney (London); J. Slater, S. Slater, and A. Garwood (Glemsford); R. Gowers, B. Brett, A. Clarke, and R. Theobald (Stanstead); N. Hawkins (Belchamp); W. Neward (Great Bentley), and A. Ambrose and H. Duce (Melford).

A Meeting at Duffield Bank, Derbyshire.

MR. PERCIVAL HEYWOOD will be happy to see members of the Midland Counties' and other Ringing Associations at a garden party at Duffield Bank, on Saturday, July 25th, from two to six o'clock. Tea at 4.30. The peal of ten at the parish church will be at the disposal of visitors from two to nine o'clock. The presence of any of the clergy will be especially welcome.

Help for a Cracked Church Bell.

IN a letter to the *Yorkshire Post*, the Rev. C. Ivens, vicar of Boynton, Bridlington, says:—'In your notice of our efforts to restore Carnaby Church, it is mentioned that part of the work consists of the recasting of the largest bell, which is cracked. The occurrence is thus described in one of the late Mary Emily Simpson's books, entitled *More About Farm Lads* (page 90), dated 1865:—'In a village that has three bells (though it will soon be forgotten that it had more than two), about nine years ago, the farm lads intimidated an old man, at whose house was the church key, got into the church, and, under the pretence of celebrating a wedding, rung the bells so violently that the largest was broken, and remains so to this day.' The exact date of this occurrence was on the marriage of the blacksmith's daughter, February 12th, 1856. The great bell sounded on that day as it ought to sound for the last time. These boisterous youths struck it with the blacksmith's large hammer, and in a moment the mischief was done. The bell contains an inscription, "John Conyers made me sound, 1693." It is the latest in date of all the three. It is proposed to raise a fund of a thousand shillings, in order to enable this bell to be recast, and the woodwork in the tower renewed and repaired. Among the many thousands of your readers are there any that will help?'

CHANGE-RINGING.

At the Parish Church, Walter Belchamp, Suffolk.

ON Friday, the 26th ult., eight members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 55 mins. C. Sillitoe (Sudbury), 1; S. Slater (Glemsford), 2; A. Papworth (Stanstead), 3; A. Clarke (Stanstead), 4; F. Wills (Glemsford), 5; R. Brett (Stanstead), 6; N. Hawkins (Belchamp), 7; R. Gowers (Stanstead), 8. The peal was composed by the late Mr. W. Harrison, of Mottram, Cheshire, and conducted by Mr. C. Sillitoe.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Southover, Lewes, Sussex.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult., Thurstan's peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 52 mins. A. A. Fuller, 1; J. Batt,* 2; G. Williams (conductor), 3; R. J. Dawe,* 4; H. Jones, 5; C. Painter, 6; W. Palmer,* 7; A. J. Turner,* 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. [* First peal of STEDMAN.]

At St. Margaret's, Barking, Essex.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult., the following members of the Ancient Society of College Youths (being also members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers) rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES (Brooks' Variation) in 3 hrs. 3 mins. H. Springall, 1; F. Norris, 2; Y. Green, 3; S. E. Joyce, 4; W. E. Garrard, 5; S. Hayes, 6; J. M. Hayes (conductor), 7; E. A. Davies (churchwarden), 8. Tenor, 22 cwt. This is the first peal on the bells since the completion of the new belfry.

At St. Nicholas', Harwich, Essex.

ON Saturday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 7 mins. J. Motts, 1; O. Moule (first peal in the method), 2; I. S. Alexander, 3; W. P. Garrett, 4; R. Hawes, 5; E. T. Shearing, 6; R. H. Brundle, 7; W. Motts, 8. Composed by G. Patrick, and conducted by J. Motts. Tenor, 14½ cwt. All members of St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich.

At St. Anne's, Highgate, London.

On Saturday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 55 mins. A. Jacob, 1; W. Short, 2; H. A. Hopkins, 3; E. T. Cole, 4; C. H. Martin, 5; B. Foskett, 6; T. Card (Speldhurst, Kent), 7; G. Newson (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 14 cwt.

At the Parish Church, Wolverhampton, Staffordshire.

On Saturday, the 27th ult., ten members of the Worcestershire and District Association and the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford rang a peal of 5079 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 15 mins. J. Carter, 1; J. Jones,* 2; S. Reeves, 3; T. Horton, 4; R. Hall, 5; W. R. Small, 6; S. Spittle,* 7; W. Mickelwright,* 8; J. Goodman,* 9; J. Smith,* 10. Composed by C. H. Hattersley and conducted by J. Carter. Tenor, 22 cwt. The first peal of STEDMAN CATERS rung by the Worcestershire Association, and the second by the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford. It is upward of twenty-five years since a peal of CATERS was rung upon the bells. [*First peal of STEDMAN CATERS.]

At St. Peter's, Caversham, Oxford.

On Tuesday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 42 mins. F. Simmonds, 1; A. W. Pike (first peal as conductor), 2; J. Hands, 3; E. W. Menday, 4; G. Essex, 5; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 6; T. Newman, 7; H. Simmonds, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. The first peal of GRANDSIRE on the bells, and was rung on the occasion of the marriage of a niece of Mr. W. Newell, of Reading.

At St. Botolph's, Heene, Worthing, Sussex.

On Saturday, the 4th inst., in 2 hrs. 46 mins., a peal of 5024 BOB MAJOR. W. H. Abbott, 1; H. Weston, 2; C. Clear, 3; J. Jay, 4; C. Hill, 5; T. Linfield, 6; G. Williams (composer and conductor), 7; E. C. Merritt, 8. This peal contains 4-5-6 their extent together in 5-6; 2nd and 3rd never in 6th place at a course-end. First peal of BOB MAJOR on the bells. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At LEWISHAM, KENT.—On Saturday, June 20th, being the fifty-fourth anniversary of the reign of Her Majesty, 1552 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. H. Warnett, 1; F. Rumens, 2; J. Rose, 3; G. Conyard, 4; W. Bedwell (conductor), 5; F. French, 6; J. H. Cheesman, 7; E. Barnett, 8. Also 630 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES. J. Rose, 1; F. Rumens, 2; G. Conyard, 3; W. Bedwell, 4; E. Barnett (conductor), 6; J. H. Cheesman, 7; H. Warnett, 8.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, BROMLEY, KENT.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 42 mins. F. S. Sanders, 1; W. Fright, 2; E. Dunn, 3; I. Emery, 4; G. Durling, 5; H. Harman (composer), 6; H. Fruin (conductor), 7; W. James, 8. Rung as a farewell touch to H. P. Harman, the leader of the Bromley band, who is leaving Bromley for Ryde, Isle of Wight.

At St. NICHOLAS', ARUNDEL, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday, for evening service, the first two parts of Holt's Ten-part peal of 1036 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 35 mins. H. Finch, 1; J. Smart, 2; C. Hills, 3; G. Baker (conductor), 4; C. Blackman, 5; T. Lindfield, 6; J. Reilly, 7; C. Clear, 8. Messrs. Finch, Hills, Lindfield, and Clear, came from Angmering; J. Smart, Steyning; J. Reilly, Brighton; the others local.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, HOUGHTON CONQUEST, BEDS.—On a Saturday, 720 BOB MINOR (eighteen bobs and two singles). J. Spencer, 1; C. Johnson, 2; I. Hills, 3; S. Constant, 4; C. W. Clarke, 5; P. Howard (conductor), 6. Also 120 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. T. Spencer, 1; C. Johnson, 2; P. Howard, 3; C. W. Clarke, 4; I. Hills (conductor), 5; S. Constant, 6. Tenor, 13 cwt.

At LRIE, ESSEX.—On a Friday, the ringers of St. Mary's Church, Prittlewell, paid a visit to the above place, and rang 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR (nine bobs) in 25½ mins. W. Hunt, 1; C. E. Malin, 2; W. Dowsett, 3; W. Bedwell, 4; C. Anderson, 5; W. H. Judd (conductor), 6.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, GLEMSFORD, SUFFOLK.—On Sunday, the 21st ult., the bells were rung before and after evening service, the occasion being the birthday of Mr. Samuel Slater. For service a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB. S. Slater (conductor), 1; Z. Slater, 2; A. Papworth, 3; G. Smith, 4; R. Brett, 5; O. Garwood, 6. After service 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. S. Slater (conductor), 1; C. Honeybell, 2; A. J. Clarke, 3; G. Smith, 4; Z. Slater, 5; O. Garwood, 6.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, OLD BATTERSEA, SURREY.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 39 mins. H. Davis, 1; W. Baron, sen. (conductor), 2; W. Baron, jun., 3; S. Baker, 4; F. Pitts, 5; H. A. Hopkins, 6; A. Swetman, 7; A. Davis, 8.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, PRESTON, SUFFOLK.—On a Saturday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR in 23 mins. W. Cross, 1; T. King, 2; A. Symonds, 3; H. Smith, 4; H. Parker, 5; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 6. Messrs. Cross and Sillitoe came from Sudbury; the rest belong to Lavenham.

At St. JOHN'S, HACKNEY, LONDON.—On a Saturday, a quarter-peal of 1260 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 52 mins. A. Coles, 1; C. H. Jessop, 2; G. J. Smith, 3; F. A. Nunn, 4; J. W. Creasey, 5; W. Burkin (conductor), 6; W. D. Smith, 7; H. Stubbs, 8. Composed by Mr. John Cox. Also on a Saturday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (1260 changes) in 50 mins. H. Alford (first quarter-peal), 1; J. Davidson, 2; W. D. Smith, 3; W. Burkin (conductor), 4; F. A. Nunn, 5; S. Binfield, 6; G. J. Smith, 7; H. Stubbs, 8.

At St. ANDREW'S, BATH.—On a Monday evening, for practice, 630 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. H. Wyburn, 1; E. Charles, 2; T. Gray, 3; E. Dainton, 4; A. Doble, 5; J. Higgs, 6; G. Hill (conductor), 7; A. Pearce, 8.

At St. PETER'S, BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, 544 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. T. Linfield, 1; G. A. King, 2; J. R. Reilly, 3; J. Searle, 4; H. Weston, 5; F. Bennett (Guildford, first touch in the method), 6; A. A. Fuller, 7; G. Williams (conductor), 8.

At St. ALPHEGE'S, GREENWICH, KENT.—On a Friday, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR, with 7-8 covering, in 25 mins. W. Foreman, 1; W. Weatherstone (conductor), 2; J. J. Lamb, 3; E. E. Richards, 4; T. Taylor, 5; F. W. Thornton, 6; W. G. Davis, 7; S. Gibbs, 8. Rung to celebrate the forty-fourth birthday of W. Foreman.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, WOMBOURN, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 504 BOB TRIPLES. G. Little, 1; H. Deans, 2; J. E. Oldridge, 3; G. Deans, 4; A. Tipton, 5; R. Cartwright (conductor), 6; B. Gough, 7; G. Ashley, 8. Tenor, 10 cwt. 12 lbs. The first 504 by members of the local company.

At CHRIST CHURCH, CHALFORD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—On a Sunday, before evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, in 45 mins. J. Boulton, sen., 1; J. Boulton, jun., 2; A. Window, 3; G. F. Cook, 4; A. F. Cook, 5; J. I. Hawkes, 6. Messrs. Boulton and Window came from Minchinhampton; the rest belong to the local company.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, MELBOURNE, DERBYSHIRE.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, the local branch of the Midland Association rang a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 45 mins. F. Hollingworth, 1; J. Vickers (conductor), 2; J. R. Wood, 3; H. Hollingworth, 4; G. C. Tunnicliffe, 5; J. W. Warren, 6; T. Hollingworth, 7; J. Hough, 8. Composed by the late H. Johnson.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

INCIPIENT PHTHISIS—CASE AT REDCAR.

At the end of November last I received from Mr. CHARLES HARPER, Queen Street, Lazenby, Redcar, a statement of his case. He had been recommended to me by Mr. John Rice, of Grange Town, Middleton, another patient who had derived great benefit from my treatment.

Details of the case in brief:—Family tendency to chest disease. Constitution weak. Had had an attack of Influenza in March, and was then brought down very low. Had to leave off all work in September. Cough, pains in chest and side, and short breathing followed. The flesh began to waste. He got weaker and weaker. Report now given:—'Incipient Phthisis.' The patient adds:—'I trust, dear sir, you will take up my case, and do your best for me, or I shall not get better.'

I did 'my best' to advise him, forwarding him medicine and advice from time to time. In the course of two months he was able to report himself well. Writing me from 7 James Street, Harrowgate, where he had gone for a short time, he says:—'I have been thoroughly examined by one of the first physicians of this town, and he states that my lungs are now entirely free from disease. I must attribute my deliverance from Consumption to your glorious medicine by the help of God. Use my name if you wish. I shall always be glad to proclaim its efficacy.'

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to find the suggestion of the serpent in Eden cited as 'an example of the gnostic heresy (gnosis=knowledge),' or to be told, *in re* 1 Tim. iii. 16, that 'in the Textus Receptus the word "God" (Theos) remains' (the italics are ours); but the part dealing with the New Law should be read by all having to deal with children. These addresses were originally given to a ladies' Bible class, and those who have similar work to do may consult them with advantage.

THE INTERMEDIATE STATE. An Essay upon the Relation of Prayer to a Conscious and Progressive Life in the Intermediate State. By Arthur Williamson, B.D., vicar of St. James's, Norlands, W. (London: Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co. 1891. 2s. 6d.)—A thoughtful and substantial contribution to the literature of this interesting but difficult portion of Christian theology. Mr. Williamson lays under contribution most writers, ancient and modern, who have dealt with the same question. He desires the revival of the 'ancient authorised practice' of prayer for the dead, and is careful to distinguish this from Roman spurious substitutes for it. Many will not agree with the view he takes, but all must admit that it is stated with learning and moderation.

BALAM, AND OTHER SERMONS. By Rev. Alfred Owen Smith, B.A., L.Th. (London: Elliot Stock. 1891. 3s. 6d.)—There does not seem any special reason why these sermons should have been published more than the countless ones that are delivered and 'perish with the using.' They are of the Evangelical type, with clearly marked and easily followed divisions, consisting chiefly of expositions of characters or passages of Scripture, but lacking in that indispensable element of translation into modern life and thought which alone can make sermons useful as well as interesting.

TWELVE SERMONS. By the late Eugene Bersier, D.D., of L'Église de l'Étoile, Paris. Translated by Mrs. Alexander Waugh. With Portrait. (London: J. Nisbet & Co. 1891. 6s.)—Dr. Bersier was well known as an eloquent and powerful preacher, and these *Twelve Sermons* are but specimens of what was by him constantly maintained as a high standard. Perhaps the last three, on 'Annihilation in Death,' 'The Eternal Life,' and 'The Heavenly City,' as containing a sustained argument running through them, will be found the most popular and useful. But all are deserving of more than a mere passing glance. They are based on a true spiritual philosophy, and deal with the bearing of the Gospel upon the deepest problems of our time.

HOW TO READ ISAIAH. Being the Prophecies of Isaiah, arranged in Order of Time and Subject, with Explanations and Glossary. By Buchanan Blake, D.D. (Edinburgh: T. & F. Clark. 1891. 2s. 6d.)—A timely and most useful book. Mr. Blake takes the first thirty-nine chapters of our Isaiah, first of all giving the text without breaks into chapters and verses, but simple explanatory headings; then giving the historical setting of each portion; and, finally, a chapter on the religious conceptions of Isaiah, a chronological table and glossary of names and references. The idea of the book is to give 'an historical representation of a prophet's views and environment, very much in the words of his own choosing or in the literature of the time in which he lived.' We commend the book most heartily.

FULFILLED PROPHECY A PROOF OF THE TRUTH OF REVEALED RELIGION. By Very Rev. W. Goode, dean of Ripon. Second edition, edited by Rev. E. W. Bullinger. (London: James Nisbet & Co. 1891. 7s. 6d.)—The Warburtonian lectures of Dean Goode had a wide reputation thirty years ago, when they first appeared. Whether it will be sustained to-day is a question. So much has been written on the subject of prophecy since then that, in many respects the treatment and method are out of date. The book is, however, interesting historically, as showing what were the modes of thought of the last generation of English divines.

MISCELLANEOUS.

FROTH. A novel by Armando Palacio Valdes. Translated from the Spanish by Clara Bell. (London: Heinemann's International Library. 1891. 2s. 6d.)—Mr. Gosse, the editor of this series, draws from Spain for his novelist, one of her latest and most striking of her literary sons. Valdes has been hitherto almost unknown to English readers, and this translation is published almost simultaneously with the original. It is full of minute and powerful character sketches, and presents a vivid picture of modern Spanish society. Yet we cannot say that we like it. The people described are not such as we would choose for friends, or even for acquaintances. We suppose the modern craze for realism must run its course; but, all the same, we do not see the necessity for so much mere morbid analysis. There is nothing repulsive in the story. It is simply an unpleasant account of unpleasant people powerfully told. But *cui bono?*

MAGAZINES.

THE RELIGIOUS REVIEW OF REVIEWS continues its usual features. The contents which are most likely to interest Churchmen are those on 'Assisted Education' by Dean Gregory and Mr. Diggle from the *New*

Review and the *Churchman*, and 'Dr. Phillips Brooks' by Archdeacon Farrar from the *Young Man*.

THE STRAND MAGAZINE contains its usual large variety of contents. 'Tableaux Vivants' is an interesting paper on tableaux; 'Woke up at Last,' a pathetic story by Kate Lee; and 'Why he Failed,' a detective story. 'The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes,' by A. Conan Doyle, is apparently the first of a series of adventures, and is very strongly written; 'The Bundle of Letters,' from the Hungarian of Moritz Jokai, is terribly tragic; and 'The King and the Artist,' although it only professes to be a tale for children, may be read by those of riper years with profit. Irving Montagu contributes another instalment of his 'Anecdotes of the War Path,' 'Portraits of Celebrities' are continued, as is also 'The State of the Law Courts,' in which some exceedingly severe things are said about the metropolitan police magistrates, whose ways, it must be confessed, are somewhat erratic. M. Q. Holyoake contributes a well-written and appreciative paper on 'Captain Mayne Reid: Soldier and Novelist.' The magazine is profusely illustrated.

THE July number of THE ART AMATEUR contains three coloured plates which are alone well worth the price of the magazine. There is a picture and account of a beautiful bronze sanctuary lamp which hangs in the church of the Paulist Fathers in New York. The magazine contains a great quantity of valuable papers on various subjects relating to art.

ALSO received: **THE MODERN CHURCH.**

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Iron Clappers or Wood Clappers?

SIR,—Having read a great deal in local papers respecting the incessant noise caused by the ringing of church bells, I beg to suggest as a remedy that if the clappers were made from teak or boxwood the tone would be so much more subdued, and less disagreeable to those who complain. Then probably we should hear more of the art of change-ringing than we do at the present time, instead of the monotonous tolling of one single bell, oftentimes emanating from belfries which contain a full peal. I, for one, should feel sorry that church bell-ringing should cease to exist, which, practically speaking, it does in some districts at the present time. C. WHEELER.

93 Hugh Street, Pimlico, S.W.

A Meeting at Duffield Bank, Derbyshire.

MR. PERCIVAL HEXWOOD will be happy to see members of the Midland Counties' and other Ringing Associations at a garden party at Duffield Bank, on Saturday, July 25th, from two to six o'clock. Tea at 4.30. The peal of ten at the parish church will be at the disposal of visitors from two to nine o'clock. The presence of any of the clergy will be especially welcome.

A District Meeting at Benington, Herts.

A DISTRICT MEETING of the Hertford County Association of Change-ringers was held at Benington, at the invitation of Leonard Proctor, Esq., on Saturday, the 27th ult. Benington may be termed the Hertfordshire home of change-ringing, and possesses a band difficult to be beaten in the intricate methods rung, although some of its members have passed the allotted span of man. It has stood at the top of the tree, but 'time waits for no man.' The peal of eight at St. Peter's are a fine ring, and, coupled with the unique and salubrious position of the village, a large muster was anticipated, but such was not the case. The following representatives were present:—Messrs. J. R. Haworth, C. F. Winny, R. A. Fowler (London), W. H. L. Buckingham, J. C. Mitchell, C. Biggs, T. Conley, G. W. Cartmel, W. T. Waller (St. Albans), E. Bray, G. T. Spicer, J. Phillips, T. Webb (Baldock), J. Gray, G. Munns (Gravelly), and the local band, which included L. Proctor, Esq., C. Shambrook, John Kitchener, J. Warner, L. Chapman, Joseph Kitchener, S. Page, and others. The bells were rung during the afternoon, and at five o'clock all sat down to tea at the Squire's residence. The business meeting followed, under the chairmanship of Leonard Proctor, Esq. In the absence of the Secretary (Mr. E. P. Debenham), the Assistant Secretary (Mr. G. W. Cartmel) read the minutes, which were adopted. Messrs. G. Munns and J. Wright (Gravelly), and H. Parkins (St. Albans), were elected ringing members, and the next district meeting was fixed to be held at Hatfield, in October. Votes of thanks concluded the business, the ringers resorting again to the tower. Squire Proctor kindly lent a vehicle to convey the ringers to and from Knebworth Station, and it was much appreciated.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

ON Saturday, June 27th, the monthly meeting of the Guild was held at Sefton, and members attended from Aughton, Bootle, Crosby, Halsall, and Ormskirk, besides the local company. Service commenced at five p.m., when an address was given by the Rector. After service a substantial meat tea was provided in the schoolroom. Captain Green presided at the business meeting, and gave an address which was greatly appreciated, after which Mr. Martin gave an interesting account of witnessing the casting of a peal of bells at Messrs. Taylor's foundry, Loughborough. Several items of interest was afterwards discussed; one honorary and two performing members were elected, and the usual vote of thanks brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

The Kent County Association.

SWANSCOMBE BRANCH.—The annual meeting of the above was held in the vestry of the parish church on Saturday, the 4th inst., the Rector (the Rev. R. G. Hale) in the chair. The report of the Secretary, which showed an increase of three members, and four new methods rung, was read and adopted. The Captain, Vice-Captain, Secretary, and Treasurer were all re-elected, while Mr. M. Digby was elected steeple-keeper. The Rector, in the course of an excellent address to the ringers, said he felt he must congratulate them on the way they attended to their duties, also that he considered they were quite as much Church officers as the choir; and he quite believed they were stimulated by the higher desire of rendering glory to God more than they were of becoming the best change-ringers. In conclusion the reverend gentleman said he wished to subscribe 1*l.* to the Society, and he hoped to have the pleasure of meeting his ringers on many such occasions. It was also decided to have a holiday at Eynsford during the summer, to help the local company, who have lately joined the Kent County Association.

A Presentation at West Kirby, Cheshire.

A VERY pleasing incident took place in the Old School, West Kirby, on Thursday the 9th inst., when the bell-ringers of the Parish Church, West Kirby, presented Mr. F. R. T. Bolton with a very handsome cane walking-stick. It has a massive ivory handle, and a gold band bearing the following inscription:—'Presented to F. R. T. Bolton, Esq., by the Bell-ringers, West Kirby, July 9, 1891.' Mr. Henry Smith, captain of the belfry, after an interesting speech, giving an account of his connexion with the belfry during the last thirty-five years, presented the stick on behalf of the ringers. Mr. Bolton expressed his best thanks for such a handsome and unexpected gift, and said that some of his happiest hours were spent amongst the ringers. Mr. Bolton has for about fifteen months held the office of Branch Secretary of the Chester Diocesan Guild of Church Bell-ringers.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Foxearth, Essex.

On Wednesday, the 1st inst., eight members of the Essex Association rang a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 53 mins. N. J. Pitstow (composer and conductor), 1; Z. Slater, 2; O. Garwood, 3; S. Slater, 4; W. P. Gridley, 5; R. Mingay, 6; A. J. Clarke, 7; R. Gowers, 8. Tenor, 5½ cwt. The composition is in one part in sixteen courses, and has the 6th the extent wrong at four course-ends, the extent at home at six course-ends, and has never been previously rung.

At St. Lawrence's, Upton St. Leonards, Gloucestershire.

On Saturday, the 4th inst., eight members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 46 mins. H. Mitchell, 1; F. E. Hart, 2; J. H. Brawn, 3; E. B. James (conductor), 4; J. E. Groves, 5; E. E. Beviak (twentieth year), 6; H. G. Gardiner, 7; O. C. Lehane (first peal), 8. Tenor, 18¾ cwt.

At St. Paul's, Hounslow, Middlesex.

On Tuesday, the 6th inst., eight members of the St. James's Society rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 49 mins. G. Stanbrook, 1; J. Basden, 2; R. Flaxman, 3; J. J. Parker (conductor), 4; S. Quinton, 5; F. G. Goddard, 6; A. H. Tabor, 7; T. Beadle (first peal), 8. Tenor, 8½ cwt. Messrs. Beadle, Quinton, and Stanbrook were made members of the St. James's Society before starting for the peal. Stanbrook belongs to Windsor; Basden, Hanwell; Flaxman, Slough; Parker, Farnham Royal; Quinton, Salt Hill; Goddard and Beadle, Isleworth; and Taber, Ealing.

At the Parish Church, Hughenden, Bucks.

On Wednesday, the 8th inst., the following members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. E. Gadsden,* 1; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 2; W. E. Yates, 3; F. Biggs, 4; A. W. Tubb,* 5; R. Biggs, 6; J. C. Truss, sen.,* 7; F. Kirby,* 8. The ringers thank the Vicar (the Rev. H. Blagden) for permission to ring the bells. [* First peal of STEDMAN.]

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT HIGH WYCOMBE, BUCKS.—On Wednesday, the 8th inst., an attempt was made by the Oxford Diocesan Guild to ring a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, but after ringing about a thousand changes, 'stand' was called, owing to the bad 'go' of the tenor. A. W. Tubb, 1; W. E. Yates, 2; F. Biggs, 3; A. Headey, (longest touch of STEDMAN), 4; J. Evans, 5; R. Biggs, 6; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 7; F. Kirby and E. Elburn, 8.

AT WYLAM, NORTHUMBERLAND.—On a Thursday, two peals of MINOR were rung upon this heavy ring of six. A 720 TREBLE BOB MINOR in 30 mins. C. L. Routledge (conductor), 1; H. Ferguson, 2; H. Lindsey, 3; J. Clapperton, 4; J. Pattison (Winlaton), 5; F. Lees, 6. And 720 BOB MINOR. H. Lindsey, 1; J. Clapperton, 2; H. Ferguson, 3; J. Pattison (conductor), 4; C. L. Routledge, 5; F. Lees, 6. This latter was called with eighteen singles and three bobs. Tenor, 22 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, DUCKLINGTON, OXFORD.—On a Thursday evening, for practice, 720 COLLEGE SINGLE. G. Thomson, 1; H. J. Fisher, 2; J. Fisher, 3; N. Spindlow, 4; H. Druce, 5; J. H. Fisher (conductor), 6. The first 720 of COLLEGE SINGLE by all the band, and the first on the bells. And on a Monday evening, for practice, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR (thirty-eight bobs and twenty-two singles). A. Edwards (first 720 of MINOR, age fourteen), 1; J. H. Fisher, 2; H. J. Fisher, 3; W. Fisher, 4; J. Fisher, 5; N. Spindlow (first 720 as conductor, age seventeen), 6.

AT ALL SAINTS', FULHAM, MIDDLESEX.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of 1259 GRANDSIRE CATERS. W. F. Meaton (first quarter-peal), 1; W. H. Rowland (first quarter-peal with a bob-bell), 2; J. Nicholls, 3; J. W. Driver, 4; E. H. Adams, 5; J. C. Green, 6; H. Kenten, 7; C. Charge, 8; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 9. W. Crocker, 10.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, STOKE-UPON-TRENT.—On a Sunday, for morning service, 720 COURT BOB MINOR in 27 mins. G. Wood, 1; W. Tabernor, 2; J. Morton, 3; W. Baddeley, 4; E. Glover, 5; J. Wood (conductor), 6.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, WHITLEY, DURHAM.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR. W. Henderson (Jarrow), 1; R. Gofton, 2; R. S. Story, 3; W. Charlton (first in the method), 4; T. T. Gofton, 5; F. J. Harrison (conductor, Jarrow), 6.

AT CAPEL, SURREY.—On a Sunday, in the afternoon, 720 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE in 23½ mins. J. Parker, 1; R. Jordan, 2; E. Jordan, 3; A. Mills, 4; F. Rice, 5; D. Jordan, 6. And for evening service, 720 LONDON SURPRISE. F. Rice, 1; R. Jordan, 2; E. Jordan, 3; A. Mills, 4; J. Parker (first 720 of LONDON), 5; D. Jordan, 6.

AT LOCKERLY, HANTS.—On a Saturday, six members of Romsey Abbey paid a visit to the above place, by permission of the Vicar, and rang 720 BOB DOUBLES, 480 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, and three separate peals (120) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. F. Russen, 1; J. Ellcomb, 2; G. Newman, 3; T. Cole, 4; G. Tribe (conductor), 5; J. Walker, 6. First 120 of GRANDSIRE by all except the conductor, and first on the bells.

AT BEBBINGTON, CHESHIRE.—On a Sunday, for evening service, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR. J. Millington, 1; E. Breeze, 2; J. A. Hough, 3; J. Cliffe, 4; E. Spencer, 5; H. E. Hough (conductor), 6. This is the first by the local company.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK

DISEASED LUNG—SEQUEL OF INFLUENZA—
CASE OF A LADY AT WIGAN.

Miss N. (who says: 'Make use of my letter, if you will, but for a particular reason, do not publish my name') wrote me in November last a full statement of her case.

Asthma and Consumption had been prevalent in the family. Aunts, cousins, and her grandmother had died from one or other form of chest disease. Patient had influenza, then sore throat, then symptoms of lung affection. Cough, more or less, constantly, greenish expectoration, periodic pains, &c. Had been painted with iodine with slight benefit.

The liniment I ordered had a far better effect than any preparation of iodine. She commenced my medicine at once, and writing me in December (three weeks afterward) she reports herself very much better, and the cough nearly gone.

And writing me in March, she says:—'It is my duty to thank you for the very great good your medicine has done me. It is valuable indeed. I am keeping well since I last wrote you.'

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words as believing that 'there await the sinner in "the ages" yet to come, God's fiery judgments: that æonian discipline ("disciple" in the text is an obvious misprint) protracted till the will of man yield to the will of "our Father," and till, as in the silent policy of the familiar words, "that will be done on earth as it is in heaven." This he defends with ability and the knowledge that comes of wide and deep reading.

ALTARS PROHIBITED BY THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND. By the Very Rev. W. Goole, D.D., dean of Ripon. Second edition, edited by Rev. E. W. Bullinger. (London: J. Nisbet & Co. 1891. 1s.)—A reprint of a polemical treatise, famous when first published in 1844.

THE MAZE AND ITS CLUE. An Inquiry into the Purport and Purpose of Christian Baptism. By James Tyeth Hart. (London: Elliot Stock, 1891. 1s.)—Mr. Hart would seem, judging from internal evidence, to be a Congregationalist minister in Wellington, New Zealand, or, at any rate, not a Churchman. He is struck with the general vagueness of Nonconformist teaching on the subject of baptism, quoting instances to prove this, and seeks to discover the reason. His inquiry is limited to the few pages of a pamphlet, and so far as it goes is fairly satisfactory, if only in the way of showing that baptism does mean something. We do not think he has yet discovered all it means, and as he asks for suggestions we venture to make two. Has he considered (1) the full meaning of the description of baptism as resurrection, as found in St. Paul's Epistles, and (2) as regeneration, as described in St. John, iii., and what the force of those two words implies (1) as to adult and (2) as to infant baptism? From a Church point of view his thesis is interesting, as showing how Nonconformity loses by the absence of sacramental teaching, witness Dale's remarkable words quoted by him, and Dr. Dale's subsequent manual, which made such a stir in Congregationalist circles, and in its original form was withdrawn.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ENGLISH HYMN TUNES FROM THE SIXTEENTH CENTURY TO THE PRESENT TIME. By Rev. A. W. Malin. Containing twenty-one musical illustrations. (London: Wm. Reeves. 1891. 1s.)—A critical and fairly exhaustive account of the various classes of hymn tunes written by composers from Tallis to Sir John Stainer, worth attentive study by all who value the service of song in the sanctuary.

THE MASTER'S WORDS TO WOMEN. By Mrs. James Martin. (London: J. Nisbet & Co. 1891. 2s.)—Mrs. Martin has selected various classes of women—worrying, widowed, working, weary, waiting, weeping, wretched—and has written short expositions of the way in which the Master dealt with their various troubles and sorrows. By so doing she has produced a helpful and useful book.

MESSRS. LONGMANS have published new editions of five of the admirable historical stories of the late Rev. A. D. Crane (price 2s. 6d. each). They are **EDWY THE FAIR**, **BRIAN FITZ-COUNT**, the **HOUSE OF WALDERNE**, the **RIVAL HEIRS**, and **ALFGAR THE DANE**. Some of these books have reached a seventh edition. They are excellent books, thoroughly interesting and highly instructive, and we can think of none more suitable for putting into the hands of young people. Now they are published at so cheap a price they ought to circulate very largely indeed.

VOL. I of the third series of **THE CLERGYMAN'S MAGAZINE** (Hodder & Stoughton—price 4s.) contains some useful matter for clergymen, young and old. The contents are for the most part devotional and religious, and do not touch upon controverted or deep subjects. Mr. Moule's addresses 'To my Younger Brethren,' are admirable for their spirit of calm self-consecration; and Dean Chadwick's expository sermons are also good. The religious tone of the magazine is excellent, but it might be made a trifle brighter.

FRANK DELITZSCH, A Memorial Tribute. By Samuel Ives Curtiss, Professor in Chicago Theological Seminary. (Edinburgh: T. & T. Clark, 1891. 3s.)—Contains a brief life, the story of the last hours and funeral, an estimate of Delitzsch as teacher and theologian, as author and friend of authors, and as the friend of Israel, all written with a loving and sympathetic pen. Franz Delitzsch towers above almost all his contemporaries as an expositor, and those who have learned from him—and who has not?—will want to know something of the man. Professor Curtiss has laid the theological world under many obligations, not the least of which is the publication of this 'memorial tribute.'

RECITATION. A Handbook for Teachers in Public Elementary Schools. By Arthur Burrell, M.A. (London: Griffiths, Farran, Okeden, & Welsh. 1891. 3s. 6d.)—The method followed in this book is admirable. The various sounds, simple and compound, are analysed, and their mode of production clearly enunciated. Would that every London schoolmaster would teach his children thus to pronounce. Our ears would be free from many irritating noises. The same applies to choir-masters. The selections given for practice are also good. Some of the best gems in our literature are introduced, and there is also an appendix containing references to further pieces fit for reading and recitation. Mr. Burrell is to be thanked for a timely and excellent book.

The literature arising out of the Lincoln Judgment grows apace. We have received (i.) **THE INVERTED RUBRIC: A TIMELY REMINDER OF THE PRIVY COUNCIL.** By Rev. W. Coker Adams. (London: Masters. 6d.)—(ii.) **HISTORICAL NOTES ON THE ARCHBISHOP'S JUDGMENT, PARTICULARLY IN REFERENCE TO MR. J. T. TOMLINSON'S PAMPHLET.** By Christopher Wordsworth, M.A. (London: Longmans. 1s.)—(iii.) **THE MIXED CHALICE AND THE LINCOLN JUDGMENT.** By Rev. Warwick Elwin. (London: Griffiths & Farran. 6d.)—These all bristle with controversial matter of the most difficult kind. To those who have time and patience there is no lack of material for work in these three polemics. What we shall have when the Privy Council judgment is given—but we will not anticipate evils.

FORTUNES MADE IN BUSINESS. A Series of Original Sketches from the Recent History of Industry and Commerce by various Writers. Edited by James Hogg. New edition, revised and enlarged. With six portraits. (London: Griffiths & Farran. 1891. 5s.)—A new and cheaper edition of a work that has now become standard. The romance that gathers round the history of our merchant princes is here graphically told. The Holdens, Curries, Bessemers, Platts, Mintons, Astors, and others are household names in the business world, the envy of seniors, the ideal of beginners in life. How they won their present positions Mr. Hogg's lucid and brief histories will inform the reader.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Essex Association of Change-ringers.

A DISTRICT meeting of the above was held at Coggeshall on Saturday, the 18th inst. Several of the neighbouring parishes were represented, and even Ipswich sent two members from St. Mary's tower. Various touches in different methods were rung. At three p.m. a portion of the ringers were conveyed in a brake to the quiet village of Great Tey, where there is a ring of eight musical bells in the fine old Saxon tower. The drive through this well-timbered district was very enjoyable. At 5.45 a company of twenty, including the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary, the Rev. T. Papillon (of Writtle), and the Rev. H. Eyre (of Great Totham), sat down to a meat tea at the 'White Hart' Hotel. At its conclusion a business meeting was held, and votes of thanks passed to the Vicars of Coggeshall and Great Tey for the use of the bells.

A Date Touch of Grandsire Triples.

By A. W. TUBB, Wycombe.

7	5	2	6	3	4	1
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	2	7	4	6	5	3
	6	7	2	3	4	5
	5	3	6	4	7	2
	4	3	5	2	6	7
*	3	5	4	2	6	7

4	6	3	5	7	2	3
3	7	4	6	2	5	3
6	7	3	5	4	2	5
2	5	6	4	7	3	1
4	5	2	3	6	7	5
5	2	4	3	6	7	4

Twice repeated.

* Single at the middle of the 2nd part and at the end of the 3rd part. Make the odd change thus:

1	2	3	5	4	7	6
2	1	3	5	4	7	6
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Round at hand.

Contains the 24-6-7's.

A Commemorative Tablet at Northampton.

ON Saturday last the members of the Midland Counties' Association of Change-ringers erected a tablet in St. Edmund's belfry to commemorate a peal of 5040 **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** which they rang in April last. Councillor Tomes, who unveiled the tablet, and Canon Hughes both spoke of the excellent way in which the bells were rung. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to these gentlemen for coming amongst the ringers, to which they suitably responded. There was no ringing, on account of the alterations in the church. The ringers then adjourned to St. Peter's Church, through the kind permission of the Rev. E. N. Tom, and rang several touches, in which the following took part:—S. Hall, T. Ealey, J. Mackey, E. Haxby, A. Stewart, F. C. Heritage, E. Maul, J. S. White (conductor); also with W. Thompson as conductor.

Belfry Restoration at Pavenham, Beds.

A SALE of work in aid of the Belfry Restoration Fund was held on the Vicarage lawn on Monday. At three o'clock the Pavenham brass band paraded the village and proceeded to the church, where a short service was held, and a suitable service given from Zech. xiv. 20, by the Rector of Turvey. After the service the sale was opened by Mrs. Tucker (of Pavenham Bury),

who spoke of the interest her late husband took in the bells, and expressed the hope that they would soon be put into good order. Among those present at the opening were the Rev. G. F. W. and Mrs. Munby (Turvey); Mrs. Duke and friends (Stevington Rectory); Rev. — Patteson (London); the Misses Hilton (Carlton); and Mr. and Mrs. H. Fleming (Felmersham). The most friendly spirit was evinced by the Wesleyan friends, several of whom were present. The sale was continued on Tuesday, and the band attended. A public tea was provided on the lawn, and at the close of the sale a gospel meeting was held, addresses being given by Mr. Howe (churchwarden), Salim the Soudanese, Miss Young (Brighton), and the Vicar (Rev. J. E. Linnell). About 27l. 10s. was realised by the sale, and the collecting cards are estimated to bring in another 16l.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Foxearth, Essex.

On Wednesday evening, the 8th inst., a mixed band of members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers rang a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB in 2 hrs. 35 mins. N. J. Pitstow, 1; G. Slater, 2; O. Garwood, 3; S. Slater, 4; W. P. Gridley, 5; R. Mingay, 6; A. J. Clarke, 7; R. Gowers, 8. Composed and conducted by Mr. N. J. Pitstow. Also on Saturday, the 11th inst., a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB in 2 hrs. 50 mins. N. J. Pitstow, 1; R. Mingay, 2; A. Clarke, 3; W. Howell, sen., 4; W. J. Nevard, 5; A. Papworth, 6; R. Brett, 7; C. Sillitoe, 8. Composed by Mr. N. J. Pitstow, and conducted by Mr. C. Sillitoe. It is a one-part peal, and contains the 5th and 6th bells their extent each way in 5-6.

At St. Matthew's, Bristol.

On Thursday, the 9th inst., nine members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. C. Walters, 1; G. H. Colston, 2; W. J. Hinton (conductor), 3; C. H. Gordon, 4; A. Parish,* 5; C. Tomkins,* 6; G. Gould, 7; R. Channing* and F. W. Powell,* 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. [* First peal.]

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Fareham, Hants.

On Monday, the 13th inst., eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild and the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 46 mins. G. Williams (conductor), 1; J. Staples, 2; G. Grafham, 3; F. Bennett (first peal in the method), 4; F. Hill, 5; H. White, 6; J. W. Whiting, 7; J. E. Warren, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. Messrs. Williams came from Brighton; Staples, Havant; Bennet, Guildford; White, Basingstoke; the rest belong to the local band.

At All Saints', Duffield, Derby.

On Tuesday, the 14th inst., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association rang a peal of 5024 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR in 3 hrs. 21 mins. G. Dawson, 1; S. Johnson, 2; W. Hickling, 3; J. Howe, 4; G. Hingley, 5; E. Sugden, 6; W. Clark, 7; A. P. Heywood, Esq. (arranger and conductor), 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. This composition, which is the first in the method by all except the conductor, is founded on Thurstans' thirty-course peal of TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

On Saturday, the 18th inst., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths (also members of the Essex Association) rang a peal of 5006 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 9 mins. J. W. Driver, 1; C. F. Winny, 2; J. N. Oxborrow, 3; F. G. Newman (conductor), 4; W. H. L. Buckingham, 5; E. Adams, 6; E. E. Richards, 7; F. J. French, 8; W. E. Garrard, 9; S. Howe, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At St. MARGARET'S, LEICESTER.—On a Friday, 720 CANTERBURY PLEASURE MINOR were rung at the first attempt on the front six of the ring of ten. J. W. Challenor, 1; S. Cotton (conductor), 2; J. O. Lancashire, 3; J. G. Walton, 4; W. Miller, 5; C. Walker, 6. First 720 in the method by all except the conductor.

At ALL SAINTS, SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, 672 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. W. Cross, 1; N. J. Pitstow, 2; G. Brown, 3; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 4; J. Campin, 5; W. Howell, sen., 6; W. J. Nevard, 7; H. Brackett and W. Howell, jun., 8. Also on handbells, retained in hand, a course of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. C. Sillitoe, 1-2; G. Brown, 3; W. J. Nevard, 4; J. Campin, 5; W. Howell, 6; N. J. Pitstow, 7-8.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, BLETCHINGLEY, SURREY.—On a Saturday, 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. J. Reed, 1; T. R. Bell, 2; A. G. Ellis, 3; H. R. Newton, 4; H. S. Ellis, 5; J. Willshire, 6; J. N. Oxborrow, 7; W. Croyley, 8. And three courses of BOB MAJOR. J. Reed, 1; J. Oxborrow, 2; T. Duff, 3; T. Bell, 4; J. Bashford, 5; H. Ellis, 6; J. Willshire, 7; H. Newton, 8. Also 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. H. Newton, 1; — Boniface, 2; J. Oxborrow, 3; J. Bashford, 4; J. Willshire, 5; E. Moses, 6; H. Ellis, 7; G. Killick, 8. And a course of TREBLE BOB MAJOR, the band standing the same as in the last 504. Also 300 of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. Holman, 1; T. Bell, 2; J. Reed, 3; J. Pryor, 4; G. Killick, 5; H. Newton, 6; H. Ellis, 7; W. Lamb, 8.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, MONEWDEN, SUFFOLK.—On a Wednesday, for practice, 720 BOB MINOR in 25 mins. R. H. Hayward (conductor), 1; J. Tarrant, 2; H. Moss, 3; J. Hunt, 4; W. Archer, 5; S. W. Martin, 6. The above are all parishioners, and this is the second 720 rung by them. The population of Monevden is under 200, and there are eight resident ringers.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, TANFIELD, DURHAM.—On a Sunday morning, for service, 720 OXFORD BOB. F. Lowe, 1; H. Tyson, 2; T. Brewis, 3; T. Goffon (Whitley), 4; W. Brewis, 5; F. Harrison (conductor), 6. Also for

evening service 720 BOB MINOR. G. Murgison (first 720), 1; T. Brewis, 2; H. Tyson, 3; F. Harrison, 4; W. Brewis, 5; T. Goffon (conductor), 6.

At St. PAULINUS', CRAYFORD, KENT.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 42 mins. F. Davis,* 1; F. Rumens,* 2; T. Saxby, 3; C. Wilkins, 4; J. E. Davis,* 5; R. Wilkins, 6; E. Barnett (composer and conductor), 7; A. E. Peill, 8. [* Came from Lewisham.]

At St. STEPHEN'S, WESTMINSTER.—On Friday, July 10th, the usual whole-pull-and-stand was rung as a token of respect to the memory of Mrs. Tennant, widow of the late Rev. W. Tennant, first Vicar of the above church. S. J. Reed, 1; J. Willshire, 2; A. G. Ellis, 3; H. S. Ellis, 4; E. Duff, 5; W. Lamb, 6; J. N. Oxborrow, 7; J. M. Hayes, 8. Followed by 400 STEDMAN TRIPLES, with J. M. Hayes (conductor), 6; W. Lamb, 8.

At St. GILES'S, SANDIACRE, DERBYSHIRE.—On a Sunday evening, before Divine service, the local company rang 720 BOB MINOR in 27 mins. A. Freeman, 1; J. Bonsall, 2; J. Hall, 3; T. D. Thompson, 4; W. T. Burton (first 720 as conductor), 5; H. W. Wilde, 6. Tenor, 16½ cwt., in F.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, GODSTONE, SURREY.—On a Saturday, two peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, one of STEDMAN DOUBLES, and 300 BOB MINOR, by Messrs. Newton, Oxborrow, Duff, Bell, Reed, Holman, Ellis, Lamb, Pryor, Croyley, and Willshire.

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TREATMENT—A LETTER FROM BALLARAT.

The writer of the letter is minister of St. John's Church, Ballarat, Victoria, Australia. His letter bears date March 17th of this year.

Enclosing a cheque for a large quantity of medicine for members of his congregation, he says:—

'My faith in your treatment was created by witnessing its effects on my own father many years ago. He came to see you at Coombe Lodge, and after nearly two years' perseverance he completely recovered. He is still alive, and is residing at Glasgow.'

(I searched out the case on reading this. The father, Mr. Malcolm Mackay, came to me May 19th, 1870. He was an ordnance surveyor, and forty-seven years of age. He had been two years affected. His case was one of the most obstinate type of chronic bronchitis, and the lungs had become implicated.)

'My mother also after that was very ill in a similar way, and your medicine under God restored her to health.

'I have never since these experiences missed an opportunity of recommending it, and have given much of it away.

'I do not say I have never seen it fail; but, when rationally and persistently taken, I have seen it in many cases accomplish wonderful cures.

'In one case, that of Miss F., a member of my church—a devoted Sabbath-school teacher and Christian worker—two years ago she came home, and was apparently at the point of death with lung disease. Your medicine was at once resorted to by my recommendation. For some time I expected her to die—that she would only obtain relief and not a cure. However, she persevered, and by and by began to improve. Then this improvement became marked and rapid. Now I fully expect to see her shortly perfectly well by God's blessing on the means.'

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in this volume. We see no poetry in Miss Harris, save her desire to be buried beneath wild flowers rather than 'sculptured marbles.' She is most at home, perhaps, in colloquial rhymed conversations, like those in 'Granny on the Jubilee,' when the old lady remarked:

'But I am thinking of the weight, says I,
Of that there crown on "she"!"'

Her sentiments are excellent, and her stories occasionally touching; but everything is spoilt by the hopeless jerkiness of a line or two in each, with the exception of 'It was Eventime,' which is quite successful and pleasing. One feels nothing but regret after the perusal of so much attempted and unachieved; but there is no excuse for calling a seraph a 'childding fair.'

JOHN KENNETH MACKENZIE, MEDICAL MISSIONARY TO CHINA. By Mrs. Bryson. (London: Hodder & Stoughton. 1891. 6s.)—Mrs. Bryson is well qualified to write Dr. Mackenzie's life from the fact of her having been a witness of his work in China for thirteen years, and she has fulfilled her task with credit. Dr. Mackenzie was a remarkable man, and succeeded in working what amounted to a revolution in the medical history of China by founding and conducting the first Government medical school in the empire, and thus giving an impetus which nothing else could have given towards the introduction of the best Western methods in medicine and surgery. He also met with much success as an Evangelist under the London Missionary Society, and the story of his life's work in the two branches of evangelisation and medical pioneer enterprise is one that cannot be read without exciting admiration for his zeal and faith, and raising the hope that the work thus begun may not be allowed to lapse for want of like-minded qualified men. Mackenzie was a hero, and all lives of heroes are stimulating.

THE ARAB AND THE AFRICAN. Experiences in Eastern Equatorial Africa during a Residence of Three Years. By S. Tristram Pruen, M.D., F.R.G.S. With Illustrations. (London: Seeley & Co. 1891. 6s.)—Dr. Pruen dedicates his book to Colonel Sir Charles Euan-Smith, whose etched portrait forms the frontispiece, and who is well known for his energetic and devoted labours in the cause of the African slaves. In spite of the many books that have recently appeared on Africa, there is room for Dr. Pruen's. He describes in detail 'the daily life of the natives of Central Africa who live in and around the districts which have so recently been brought under British influence,' and also hopes that his book 'may throw some new light upon the Slave Trade.' Dr. Pruen has had exceptional advantages in his study of the people, and has been permitted 'to see and hear things hidden from the passing traveller, and even from the resident who rules over, rather than lives amongst, the people with whom he is brought into daily contact.' The question of the Slave Trade is here treated with great fairness. The case in favour of the dealer, and that against the slave, is stated equally with that in favour of the abolition of the awful traffic, and the book is thus indispensable to any who wish to make themselves masters of this very pressing and difficult problem. The description of the daily life of the natives is very minute, and indicates close observation, in addition to throwing light upon some points that needed clearing up. Dr. Pruen also discusses very fully the missionary question, and concludes in the most practical manner with a list of things needful for a year's travel in Central Africa. The study of the text is much helped by the excellent illustrations, of which there are over twenty.

MAGAZINES.

THE ENGLISH ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE has an admirably written account of Tewkesbury Abbey from the pen of the Dean of Gloucester, and a graceful paper entitled, 'Old Landmarks,' by Dewey Bates. John Todhunter contributes an appreciative article on the clever but little-known painter George Wilson, who died a short time ago. Mr. F. Marion Crawford's hypnotic tale, 'The Witch of Prague,' is continued, and the Rev. S. Singer, rabbi of North-west end Synagogue, writes of 'The Russo-Jewish Immigrant,' and says all he can in his favour. 'Gentleman Jim,' by Mary Gaunt, and 'Dickens and Punch,' by F. G. Kitton, complete the contents of this month's magazine.

THE Midsummer Holiday Number of the *Century Magazine* contains some very good reading. The first paper is from the pen of Poulteney Bigelow, and is entitled 'The German Emperor;' it is one of the best accounts of the Emperor which we have seen, because it is from the pen of one who knows him and sympathises with him in his aims. Mr. Bigelow gives a short sketch of the Emperor's doings since he came to the throne, and shows him to be a hard worker, as well as a man who thinks nothing too small for his own investigation. Mr. Bigelow declares that the undoubted popularity of the Emperor is owing to three facts: first, that he has courage; second, he is honest; third, he is a thorough German. He also tells us that an American officer who was presented to the Emperor gave it as his opinion that he was 'immense,' and 'had a genuine Yankee head on him.' G. W. Edward's 'Thumb Nail Sketches: Mozglasben,' is very amusing, and 'A Common Story' by Wolcott Balestier has a moral which might be profitably laid at heart

by match-makers. H. Van Dyke's paper 'On the Study of Tennyson' is well written, and shows that he knows and loves the poet; F. R. Stockton's amusing story of 'The Squirrel Inn' is nearing its conclusion, and there is another instalment of E. Eggleston's 'Faith Doctor.' Of the remainder of the contents Joseph Pennell's 'Play in Provence,' Mary H. Catherwood's 'The Little Reynault,' and Willard B. Farwell's 'Cape Horn and Co-operative Mining in '49,' deserve special mention. The pictures fully maintain their well-known high character.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

ON Saturday last, the 25th inst., by the kind invitation of Miss Rosa Macalpine-Leny (an honorary member of this Society), a party of the above company paid a visit to Speldhurst. The members who took this opportunity of going were Messrs. M. Wood, W. Cooter, G. Dorrington, E. Horrax, J. R. Haworth, W. D. and G. J. Smith, H. Springall, H. R. Newton, W. E. Garrard, and J. Comb. Squire Proctor, of Benington Hall, Hertfordshire, who was present, was much pleased with the invitation from Miss Leny. Upon arriving at Tunbridge Wells, a conveyance was in waiting, and they were conveyed to Speldhurst Rectory, where they were cordially received by Miss Leny and the Rev. D. D. MacKinnon and Mrs. MacKinnon. Luncheon was served in the Rectory, after which the tower of Speldhurst Church was visited, and various touches of GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN TRIPLES and TREBLE BOB were rung, assisted by several of the local band. In the afternoon several members availed themselves of the pleasure of inspecting the hop-fields, and others by ringing handbells on the lawn of the Rectory. The Honorary Secretary, Mr. T. Woodley, arrived in the course of the afternoon, and had the pleasure of joining the party. At six o'clock they sat down to a substantial dinner, and were joined by the following local ringers:—Messrs. F. Still, B. Winn, J. Baker, G. Turley, J. Maynard, R. Pelling, A. Edwards, and O. Baker. After dinner Mr. Woodley proposed, and Mr. Haworth seconded, a hearty vote of thanks to their honorary member, and also to the Rector and his wife for their kind hospitality, which was carried with acclamation. Miss Leny and the Rector suitably responded, and they also expressed a hope that the company would again visit them. Handbell-ringing on the lawn filled up the remainder of the evening, and soon after eight o'clock the London band started for home with a parting cheer from the local ringers. Leaving Tunbridge Wells at nine o'clock, they arrived in London soon after half-past ten. An amusing incident took place between Speldhurst and Tunbridge Wells, and which was nearly the cause of the band losing the last train. The quadruped drawing the conveyance evidently did not relish drawing such a load, and took to jibbing at every incline; but, owing to the admirable manner one of the band acted as conductor, the station was reached in time.

Annual Meeting of the Kent Bell-ringing Association.

THE annual meeting of the Bell-ringers' Association of Kent was held at Folkestone on Monday, July 13th. The bells in the tower of the Parish Church were raised soon after nine o'clock, and during the morning various bands indulged in touches of different methods. At 12.30 there was a special service at the church, when the Rev. H. G. Sprigg, one of the six preachers of Canterbury Cathedral, was the preacher.

At two o'clock dinner was served, and about two hundred sat down. The Vicar of Folkestone presided, and was supported by several clergymen from different parts of Kent who accompanied their several bands of ringers, most of them being members of the Association. After dinner the health of 'The Queen' was drunk, and then the principal business of the day was transacted. Rev. E. W. Carpenter, hon. secretary of the Association, presented the report for the year, and said that, owing to some changes in his work, he would have to resign the position of Secretary, although he was not losing any interest in the Kent Association, and would always continue to do his best to help them. With regard to their annual meeting, the question had been raised whether the present time was the best for holding it, as it was rather hard for some to attend just at the busiest time of the year with them. He knew of one five-bell tower that had withdrawn from the Association on that account, and it would be for them to consider if any alteration of the time should be made. For the benefit of his successor he would urge upon Secretaries of bands to make themselves acquainted with the notices in the ringers' papers, for he found that it sometimes took four or five weeks to get them to respond to matters of business that should be at once attended to. It was a question, too, whether more might not be done for young bands by providing paid instructors, as other Associations had done. He desired to heartily express their thanks to Mr. Curteis, who, in his neighbourhood, had brought in some thirty members, and he hoped Mr. Curteis would be at Sevenoaks for a very long time to come.

The report stated that the annual meeting last year was held at Maidstone, when a testimonial had been presented to Mr. Hugessen, and a balance of the fund handed over to that gentleman for his bells. Three bands of ringers had left the Association during the year, and four others had joined. They had at present 160 honorary members and a total membership of 616. He found that many bands had not elected new members for a long time. It was very well, perhaps, to hang together without new members, but they ought to look ahead for future changes. The expenses for the year had been 78l. 13s. 9d., and the subscriptions 75l. 15s. 3d., leaving a deficit of 2l. 18s. 6d. He had made exertions to get in the honorary subscriptions, but there was a certain class that required to be written to four times, and he had not been able to make application more than once. It was rather a

hopeless task to expect to get subscriptions from this class of honorary subscriber. The extraordinary number of peals rung by the Association during the year had placed them suddenly at the top of the Associations in this respect. In 1889 the number of peals rung was thirteen only, but in 1890 no less than sixty-one peals had been rung by 135 members, under twenty-seven conductors, in nineteen towns. They were advancing also in the various methods, and leaving GRANDSIRE to the more elementary bands of ringers. He was sure that the Association were quite capable of taking up the study of DOUBLE NORWICH. One band was practising it, and he hoped the Association would soon ring their first peal in that intricate method, and that he should be one of the ringers when it was scored.

The Vicar (Rev. M. Woodward) said he was happy to welcome them all to Folkestone, and that although they had hardly time to look round the church, they would always find its doors open, and at any visit he would always be glad to meet any of them to conduct them round the church.

The Rev. T. S. Curteis, rector of Sevenoaks, proposed the re-election of the Vice-Presidents and Treasurer of the Association, and said he thought the best way to retain their services was to add others to the number. He had the pleasure to add the names of the Lord-Lieutenant of the County, Lord Stanhope, Lord Sackville, and the Very Rev. the Dean of Rochester. The Rev. E. W. Carpenter seconded, and it was carried. The remaining business was the election of Hon. Secretary. Two nominations had been sent in—Mr. Curteis and Mr. Helmore, precentor of Canterbury Cathedral. Each of these gentlemen addressed the members of the Association, and a ballot was taken, which resulted in sixty-eight votes being given to the Rev. A. Helmore and sixty-one votes to the Rev. T. S. Curteis.

The North Notts Association.

THE quarterly meeting of this Association was held at the village of Everton, on Saturday, the 18th inst., and was attended by members from Shireoaks, Worksop, Blyth, Bawtry, Retford, and Everton. Several touches in the TREBLE BOB method were rung, and peals attempted, but were not finished, on account of having to make up companies of different ringers who have had very little practice. One 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR was rung by James Bee, J. Briggs, W. Skelton, N. G. Hunt, H. Haigh, and R. Potter. James Bee came from Bawtry, and the rest are from Retford. At 5.30 upwards of thirty sat down to tea, and the following business was afterwards transacted:—It was proposed and carried that the best thanks of the Association be given to the Vicar, the Rev. W. B. Ramsey, for kindly placing the bells at the disposal of the ringers. It was also proposed by H. Haigh, and seconded by R. Beeston, that the next quarterly meeting be held at Bawtry, on Saturday, October 10th, which was carried unanimously. The meeting then broke up.

5040 Treble Bob Maximus.

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H. DAINS.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Mary's, Horsham, Sussex.

On Saturday, the 18th inst., eight members of the Sussex County Association rang Dains' peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 12 mins. G. Rice, 1; T. H. Colburn, 2; F. Bennett, 3; E. Jordan, 4; R. Jordan, 5; F. W. Rice, 6; G. Williams (conductor), 7; H. H. Chandler, 8. Tenor, 24 cwt. The first peal of TREBLE BOB on the bells, also the first peal on them since they were rehung.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At ST. PAUL'S, WALKDEN, LANCASHIRE.—On Sunday evening, the 19th inst., 720 BOB MINOR were rung in 29 mins., with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Hon. Algernon Egerton, uncle of the Earl of Ellesmere, who was buried on Saturday, the 18th inst., at St. Mark's Church, Worsley. J. Worthington, 1; Jno. Potter, 2; Jno. Donner, 3; S. Oakes, 4; Jos. Potter, 5; J. Brookes (conductor), 6. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

At ST. MARTIN'S, CHERITON, KENT.—On a Monday, 720 BOB MINOR (fourteen bobs and two singles) in 25 mins. S. Mockett, 1; H. Denne, 2; E. Hyder, 3; G. Denne (conductor), 4; H. Castle, 5; S. Parker, 6. Tenor, 7½ cwt. E. Hyder came from Aldington; the rest from Deal.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, KETERING, NORTHANTS.—On a Tuesday, 168 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. G. Toseland, 1; G. Lillyman, 2; T. Hensher, 3; J. Neal, 4; E. Underwood, 5; B. Panther, 6; G. Lewis (conductor), 7; J. Spence, 8. Three peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, each called differently. B. Panther, 1; G. Lillyman, 2; E. Underwood, 3; J. Neal, 4; G. Lewis (conductor), 5; G. Toseland, 6. Also smaller touches. The touch of TRIPLES is the longest by the present local band.

At ST. GEORGE'S, CAMBERWELL, SURREY.—On a Sunday morning, for service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 41 mins. F. Davis, 1; H. N. Davis (first quarter-peal with a bob-bell), 2; W. Baron, sen. (conductor), 3; W. Baron, jun., 4; J. Davis, 5; W. Jones, 6; F. J. Pitts, 7; A. Davis, 8.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, MILTON-NEXT-GRAVESEND, KENT.—On a Tuesday, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 28 mins. J. Avis, 1; F. Hayes (conductor), 2; J. Allen, 3; R. Munn, 4; J. Smith, 5; B. Spinner, 6.

At ST. PETER'S, TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.—1259 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 46 mins. J. Mugeridge, 1; J. Maynard, 2; E. Mankelov, 3; S. Perkins, 4; T. Card (conductor), 5; W. Latter, 6; G. Card, 7; J. Baker, 8.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.—On a Monday, for practice, 881 GRANDSIRE CATERS. J. Smith, jun., 1; J. Smith, sen., 2; T. Watson, 3; M. Kearney, 4; T. Hindle, 5; S. Wood (conductor), 6; R. Proctor, 7; J. Watson, 8; J. Walker, 9; M. Adams, 10. Longest touch by all except the conductor. Also 648 in the same method. J. Smith, sen., 1; S. Wood, 2; J. Smith, jun., 3; W. Slater, 4; A. Thompson, 5; T. Watson, 6; J. Haworth, 7; J. Watson, 8; J. Walker (conductor), 9; M. Adams, 10.

The Musical Handbell-Ringers' Instructor. By S. B. Goslin. Part II. Second edition. (McCorquodale & Co. 2s.)—In the first half of this pamphlet Mr. Goslin gives a useful summary of the history of bells, so far as that history is known. As his *Instructor* is meant for teaching the ringing of tunes on handbells, his sketch of bell-history is naturally occupied more with small bells than with large ones. It is accompanied by many excellent reproductions of ancient and quaint woodcuts. Following this come two or three chapters devoted to the ordinary rudiments of music. Then there is a page or two dealing with some of the difficulties of handbell tune-ringing, the reader being referred to Part I. for fuller explanations. After this the author gives a series of exercises and tunes—reduced for the sake of utility and uniformity, to the scale of C. Tune-ringers will find the book a useful repertory of instruction and amusement.

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TERRIFIC COUGH WITH EXTREME PROSTRATION
—LETTER OF REV. J. SMITH, OF NEWMARKET.

(The writer is a Baptist minister, and author of *Epistolary Studies: An Alphabet of Ethics for Young Thinkers*, a work highly commended by Rev. C. H. Spurgeon, Dr. Clifford, and others.)

This patient had suffered much from severe bronchial asthma, returning every winter. His last attack had left a terrific cough, entirely disturbing his night's rest, and tearing him (as it were) to pieces in the day, and causing him extreme prostration. On the 2nd of March last he applied to me for medicine; after which this is what he writes me on May 5th:—'Dear Sir,—Such were the exhausting effects of the terrible cough of which I wrote you that three persons from three different villages went home and said "Mr. Smith is going fast." Your medicine at once relieved me, and I could sleep without the narcotic to which I previously had recourse. The cough is gone, and I have gradually regained the flesh and strength that I had lost. You can use this testimony as you please.'

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NOTE.—Days of Consultation.—TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and SATURDAY MORNINGS ONLY, at Coombe Lodge, Peckham. Patients from any long distance should choose either of the two former days. Every one is expected to have seen the book first.

interesting story of girl-life in a Swiss boarding-school; the paper on 'Visitors, and how to treat them,' is capital; and 'Nursery Needlework' will be of use in many homes.

OUR OWN GAZETTE (Y.W.C.A.) is suitable for others besides the young women for whom it is intended, and we wish mistresses, as well as servants, would study the Editor's 'Monthly Letter' for August, 'Faults on Both Sides.' Bessie Tremaine offers valuable 'Hints on Sick Nursing,' whilst Sybil Grey gives recipes for 'Preserving at Home.' 'Luman Skinkle's Religion' is, however, the gem of the little magazine just now, and we could wish that, when finished, it might be republished in book form.

FRIENDLY WORK and FRIENDLY LEAVES (G.F.S.) are good penny-worths in their way, but they somehow lack the attractiveness and 'go' of the Y.W.C.A. publications. The ASSOCIATES' JOURNAL AND ADVERTISER (G.F.S.) gives in full the Bishop of St. Asaph's sermon, preached in St. Paul's Cathedral on the occasion of the Society's recent Anniversary, and also contains reports of the various meetings and conferences.

THE CHURCH SUNDAY-SCHOOL MAGAZINE (C.E.S.S. Institute) supplies the questions set, with the examiners' reports on the answers made thereto, in the Church Sunday School Teachers' Examination of this year. We find that the number of candidates examined has decreased, but that a larger percentage than in previous years have passed. Church teachers might pick up a good many hints from an article reprinted here from the *Guardian* on 'Dissenting Sunday Schools.'

THE YOUNG MAN.—This number contains a very reasonable article on Norway, placing before us the bright side of the picture; which is perhaps as true as that we get from the reading of modern Norse literature. Miss Dora Jones writes sympathetically, and yet with discrimination, on Edna Lyall. Mr. Frank Ballard's 'Science up to Date' is very carefully compiled to combine effectually interest with instruction.

THE SCOTTISH STANDARD BEARER continues its usual features, and well maintains the high place which it has won.

THE THEOLOGICAL MONTHLY has three noteworthy articles this month. First, the 'Paraphrastic Analysis of Hosea,' by Marcus E. W. Johnson, which is well done; the Second Part of Dr. James Orr's discussion of 'John Stuart Mill and Christianity;' and Mr. T. E. Slater's account of 'Theosophy in India.'

THE CHURCH WORKER (C.E.S.S.I.) has an increasingly flippant tone, which we are sorry to see. The comment on 'Eastbourne Salvationists,' and the allusion to the death of a certain Scotch opponent of instrumental music, are decidedly irreverent. The Rev. E. Hicks contributes his second essay on 'Christ as a Pattern Teacher,' dealing with his subject thoughtfully.

THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' COMPANION (C.E.S.S.I.) ought to be popular amongst our Sunday scholars. 'The Story of Brother Lawrence' is told this month, and turned to practical account as an example for children; and the 'Anti-Grumbling Guild' described would be a capital society, membership in which should not be limited by age or sex.

ONWARD AND UPWARD (Partridge & Co.) contains a sketch of the life and work of 'Lady Rosebery,' by Principal Donaldson. The 'Bible Notes' are good, but Mary, the mother of St. Mark, was not 'aunt' to Barnabas! 'Through Canada with a Kodak' is a narrative of travel and adventure which will delight the boys as much as 'Her Day of Service' will please and help the girls, whilst WEE WILLIE WINKIE (a tiny booklet enclosed every month with its parent magazine) is charming for infantine readers.

HELP: A JOURNAL OF SOCIAL SERVICE (the organ of the Association of Helpers) is not altogether suitable for general perusal; but to matured and earnest-minded men and women it offers much that is worth considering. Mr. Stead, in his plea 'For the Citizenship of Women and the Sanctity of the Home,' holds up to the light many little-known wrongs, which, painful as it is for Christian people to learn them, can only be righted after exposure. The same may be said of the cases of cruelty to children and to animals revealed in the pages of the CHILD'S GUARDIAN and the ZOOPHILIST. It is mere cowardice to shrink from reading of the horrors which our fellow-creatures are made to endure; and, if these and similarly outspoken publications were faithfully studied, such a wave of public opinion would surely arise that of every giant evil it should soon be affirmed—

'The people, in a mighty band,
Rose up, and drove it from the land.'

Now that human beings, in hospitals and workhouse schools, have been experimented on, and the daily papers have taken up the matter, many indignant protests have been made: but the world has yet to realise that this is only the 'thicker end of the wedge,' and Christians have yet to learn that if their compassion is to be Christ-like it must extend and take

active shape towards every sparrow, and dog, and cat, and rabbit, since 'not one of them is forgotten before God.'

THE BIBLE SOCIETY MONTHLY REPORTER and GLEANINGS FOR THE YOUNG (British and Foreign Bible Society) are fair average numbers, the former occupied mainly with the second part of the 'Survey of a Year's Work;' the latter full of short, happily chosen stories and bits of news, exactly fitted to enlist children's sympathies and efforts on behalf of the cause which the Society has at heart.

THE JEWISH INTELLIGENCE (Nisbet & Co.) describes the 'Commencement of the New Girls' School Premises, Jerusalem,' and reports progress in 'promoting Christianity amongst the Jews' in various countries. We learn that the first section of the railway between Jaffa and Jerusalem, viz., from Jaffa to Ramleh, was opened in May for traffic. This little monthly is well worth its price (one penny), especially to Sunday-school teachers, for its frequently recurring views of places in Palestine and other Eastern lands.

THE C.M.S. periodicals are, as usual, full of life and energy. The INTELLIGENCER has a deeply interesting narrative of 'A Short Journey into Ibo Land,' sent from Africa by the Rev. H. H. Dobinson, who has found and taken advantage of new openings for missionary work behind the banks of the Lower Niger. The GLEANER treats chiefly of mission-stations and recent efforts in India and Ceylon; AWAKE! is occupied with Japan and the Japanese; and the CHILDREN'S WORLD is charming in its variety of anecdotes, prize competitions, Bible questions, &c.

THE MISSION FIELD (S.P.G.) opens with a stirring and sensible article on 'Parochial Associations' at home in aid of foreign mission work, and proceeds to give details of the Society's recent labours in Canada, Mashonaland, the Telegu country, and other regions.

THE GRAIN OF MUSTARD SEED and CENTRAL AFRICA (Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co.), the LITTLE PAPERS and THE M. P. S. (Bemrose & Sons), and the GUILDSMAN (Mowbray & Co.) do not call for notice in detail, with the exception of the thrilling account of his shipwreck contributed by the Bishop of Honduras to the *Little Papers*.

We have received from the R. T. S. the fourth part of OUTDOOR GAMES AND RECREATIONS (for boys and young men), occupied with 'Boating and Canoeing,' and the corresponding number of the GIRL'S OWN OUTDOOR BOOK, treating of summer holidays under various aspects, and suggesting ways and means of increasing the enjoyment and the beneficial results of the holiday weeks. 'A Girls' Walking Tour' seems to us a good idea, but the young ladies depicted need not have made themselves so peculiar in dress and other details.

THE QUARTERLY STATEMENT OF THE PALESTINE EXPLORATION FUND reports various discoveries made of late, chiefly in the neighbourhood of Jerusalem.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

'Peal' and 'Ring.'

SIR,—May I call attention to the frequent, but incorrect, use of the words *peal* and *peals* for *ring* or *rings*, in speaking of bells?

In a recent number of *Church Bells* I notice four such instances in the 'Bell-ringing' column (page 611), and two others in one of the advertisements. Many of us are trying to teach the correct use of terms. R. S. T.

The Lancashire Association.

THE quarterly meeting was held on Saturday, the 18th ult., at St. Mary's Church, Rawtenstall, members attending from various parts of the county. Ringing commenced early in the afternoon. GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, STEDMAN TRIPLES, BOB MAJOR, and TREBLE BOB MAJOR, were the principal methods rung. The scholars in connexion with St. Mary's Church were celebrating their annual 'field-day.' The proceedings commenced with the usual procession through the principal streets of the town, accompanied by two bands. The local ringers generously provided tea free of cost to all members.

The meeting was subsequently held, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, M.A., presiding, who was supported by the Rev. J. Norris, M.A., vicar, and the Secretary; Messrs. J. Eachus, H. W. Jackson, A. E. Wreaks, R. Hill, G. Longden, J. Harrison, H. H. Nutter, and J. Horrocks, officers. Messrs. J. Shepherd, F. Birtwistle, and W. Brown, branch secretaries, were also present. The Rev. J. Norris said he was pleased to welcome the ringers of that large and useful Association. It was very gratifying to meet co-workers in the church. He could see no better employment for a body of men than that of ringing, and he noticed a wonderful improvement in the character and *status* of the ringers at the present time. He paid a high tribute to his ringers for their general conduct and assistance in all parochial matters. He again welcomed the members, and sincerely hoped they had that day enjoyed themselves. The President, adverting to the remarks of the Vicar, maintained the high character of ringers throughout the country, and advocated a feeling of brotherhood amongst them. The Secretary was requested to send copies of resolutions, condoling with the widows and families of the late J. T. Stott (Newchurch) and John Tattersall (Ramsbottom). Votes of thanks were

accorded to the Vicar and Wardens for the use of the bells and the schools, also to the local company for their kindness in providing tea.

The Church Bells at Lodsworth, Sussex.

SUNDAY, the 26th ult., was a joyous day for Lodsworth. The church bells, which had been taken down some two months ago for the purpose of recasting, were heard again, with the addition of a fourth bell. For long it had been desired that the parish church bells should be recast, but no funds were forthcoming. Help came, however, most unexpectedly. Mrs. Marriott, a lady living in the parish, placed in the hands of the Vicar the handsome sum of 150*l.*, to be used for the above purpose. The work was entrusted to Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, of Whitechapel, who supplied a new ring of four, allowing a certain sum for the old metal. Including the new framework and platform supplied by Mr. Lewis, of Midhurst, the entire cost amounted to nearly 180*l.* Subscriptions towards the extra 30*l.* were kindly given by Lord Egmont, the Archdeacon of Chichester, Rev. Prebendary L. S. Clarke (former Vicar of Lodsworth), Colonel Hollist, Mrs. Starling, and Rev. C. S. Chilver. The congregation assembled in the churchyard at the close of the morning service, when the bells were rung by some of the Midhurst bell-ringers, headed by Mr. George, who kindly gave their services, and did full justice to the rich tone of the bells. A short form of dedication was used, and the service was choral, with special psalms and hymns. It may be mentioned that each bell bears an inscription. On the tenor is inscribed:—

'Let Christ be known around,
And loved where'er I sound.'

And on the others:—

'Praise God in His Sanctuary.'
'Let all the people praise Thee, O Lord.'
'Holiness unto the Lord.'

This great success should encourage people to help towards the much-wished-for addition of fifth and sixth bells, when 720 changes could be rung instead of the present twenty-four.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Peter's, Caversham, Oxford.

On Tuesday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 48 mins. H. Simmonds, 1; W. W. Gifford, 2; W. C. Baston, 3; A. W. Pike, 4; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 5; E. Menday, 6; Rev. G. F. Coleridge, 7; J. W. Washbrook (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. Mr. Gifford came from Salisbury; Messrs. Washbrook and Baston, Oxford; Rev. F. E. Robinson, Drayton, and the above is his 350th peal.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Headcorn, Kent.

On Saturday, the 25th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 2 mins. J. Woolgar, 1; W. E. Pope, 2; W. Pope (conductor), 3; A. Hinds, 4; R. Edwards, 5; W. Collison, 6; E. Pope, 7; T. G. Colvin, 8. Tenor, 24 cwt. The first peal of TRIPLES on the bells, and the first peal since the restoration by Messrs. Warner & Sons.

At the Parish Church, Great Tey, Essex.

On Saturday, the 25th ult., the following members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers succeeded in ringing a true and complete peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 7 mins. C. Sillitoe, 1; A. J. Clarke, 2; A. Papworth, 3; W. J. Nevard, 4; R. Brett, 5; F. Wells, 6; S. Slater, 7; R. Gowers, 8. Composed by Mr. W. Harrison, of Mottram, Cheshire, and conducted by Mr. C. Sillitoe. This is the first peal rung on these bells in this method, and also the first in any method since the year 1828, the long period of sixty-three years. Several attempts have been made by companies, but all have ended in failure. The ringers were kindly entertained by the Rector after the ringing.

At St. Alphege's, Greenwich, Kent.

On Monday evening, the 27th ult., nine members of the Society of Trinity Youths rang 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 5 mins., in honour of the ninetieth birthday of Sir George B. Airy, late Astronomer-Royal, who the same evening turned up the gas for the first time in the new illuminated clock in the tower. W. Pead, 1; John J. Lamb, 2; W. Weatherstone (conductor), 3; F. Rumens, 4; E. E. Richards, 5; T. Taylor, 6; F. W. Thornton, 7; S. Gibbs and F. Palmer, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt.

At St. James's, Clerkenwell, London.

On Monday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 10 mins. J. Barry (first peal in the method), 1; B. Foskett, 2; A. Jacob, 3; C. H. Martin, 4; W. Short, 5; A. Pittam, 6; J. Barber, 7; G. Newson (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 22 cwt. This composition has the 6th twenty-four times right and eighteen times in 5th's place, the 2nd never being there at a course-end. It is now rung for the first time, and is the first peal of DOUBLE NORWICH on the bells since September 22nd, 1840.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Foxearth, Essex.

On Tuesday, the 28th ult., a mixed band rang a peal of 5184 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. C. Sillitoe, 1; C. Honeybell, 2; C. Adams, 3; F. Wells, 4; W. P. Gridley, 5; W. Howell, 6; Z. Slater, 7; R. Gowers, 8. Composed by the late Mr. James Platt, of Saddleworth, and conducted by Mr. C. Sillitoe. It contains the 6th bell nine course-ends at home, and is in three parts. The above are all members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers, Mr. C. Adams being elected a member the same evening.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ST. STEPHEN'S, HAMPSTEAD, LONDON.—On a Saturday, an attempt was made to ring a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, but after ringing 2 hrs. 30 mins. the conductor called 'Stand,' owing to a change-course. A. Jacob, 1; W. Short, 2; H. Swain, 3; J. B. Fenton (Lincoln), 4; E. F. Cole, 5; A. Pittam, 6; E. Pitts, 7; J. Barber, 8; G. Newson (conductor), 9; W. Ascott, 10.

AT HAVERSTOCK HILL, LONDON.—On a Saturday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. F. Pitts (first 720), 1; H. Hopkins, 2; W. Short, 3; J. B. Fenton (first 720), 4; J. Barker, 5; A. Jacob (conductor), 6.

AT ST. NICHOLAS'S, GUILDFORD, SURREY.—On a Thursday, 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. T. Colburn, 1; G. Croucher, 2; F. W. J. Rees, 3; J. Jones, 4; M. Brown, 5; F. Bennett (conductor), 6; C. W. Miller (first touch in the method), 7; G. Searies, 8. This was rung after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal of BOB MAJOR to celebrate the wedding of Mr. C. W. Miller, a respected member of the band.

AT ST. MARY'S, LEWISHAM, KENT.—On a Monday, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Rev. T. E. Teignmouth Shore, 1; J. Rose, 2; G. Daynes, 3; H. Warnett, 4; F. Rumens, 5; H. Battrum, 6; W. Bedwell (conductor), 7; H. Barrett, 8. Also on a Monday, 518 in the same method. H. N. Davis, 1; H. Barrett, 2; G. Daynes, 3; H. Warnett, 4; H. Chandler, 5; W. Bedwell (conductor), 6; H. Battrum, 7; A. Bedwell, 8. And on a Sunday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 41 mins. A. Bedwell, 1; H. N. Davis, 2; G. Daynes, 3; H. Warnett, 4; F. Rumens, 5; J. E. Davies, 6; W. Bedwell (conductor), 7; H. Barrett, 8.

AT ST. PETER'S, CROYDON, SURREY.—On a Monday, for practice, 854 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES. W. O. Gammon, 1; W. C. Palmer, 2; H. Brooker (conductor), 3; A. E. Collins, 4; W. Webb, 5; G. Burt, 6; F. G. Hermon, 7; B. Blake, 8. Also a touch of GRANDSIRE, in which F. Larby rang the third.

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NOT of yesterday—NOT a matter of Sensational Report, but well proved and demonstrated in a vast number of Cases—NOT merely of incipient cases upon which doubts may arise, and one diagnosis differs from another—BUT of Cases where Cavities have been formed, and suppuration of tubercle has been going on—CASES in which

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

CASE PRONOUNCED HOPELESS AT NEWTOWN,
MONTGOMERY.

'The doctor tells us he will certainly die of Consumption.' So wrote Mrs. Bowen of Tregynon, near Newtown, concerning her son, on the 4th December, 1888. At the same time I received from the father a statement of the case.

Mr. A. Bowen, then 23 years of age, was in a very critical state. His illness, which commenced with an ordinary cold, was followed with inflammation of the lungs, which terminated in phthisis. The cough was violent, with a great amount of purulent expectoration. He had got very weak, and was rapidly wasting away.

The patient regularly took my medicine for one year and a-half, the correspondence extending to twenty-two letters. The recovery was slow but sure.

Twelve months elapsed, and I received a letter from the father, which he says:—'I am glad to say my son is quite recovered. He takes a dose or two of your medicine still occasionally.'

Mr. CONGREVE'S Book 'On Consumption,' &c. may be had post free for
One Shilling from Coombe Lodge, Peckham, London, S.E.

NOTE.—Days of Consultation.—TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and
SATURDAY MORNINGS ONLY, at Coombe Lodge, Peckham. Patients
from any long distance should choose either of the two former days. Every one is
expected to have seen the book first.

REVIEWS.

ST. AUGUSTINE. 'De Fide et Symbolo.' 'Sermo ad Catechumenos.' 'S. Leo, ad Flavianum Epistola.' Translation, notes, creeds, and councils. By Rev. Charles Whitaker, vicar of Natland, Kendal. (London: Messrs. George Bell & Sons. 1891. 5s.)—Intended primarily for ordination candidates. Mr. Whitaker gives the text, a literal translation, and an account (with original texts) of the various creeds and councils bearing upon the three textbooks. The only poor part of the book is the binding. There are also enclosed some very useful Church History Charts.

THE PULPIT PALLADIUM OF CHRISTENDOM. Being Lectures on the Fundamental Essentials of Man's Personal Salvation. By T. Henry Skewes, vicar of Holy Trinity, Liverpool. (London: S. L. Partridge & Co. 1891. 3s. 6d.)—Mr. Skewes is evidently very much in earnest, and lashes out with no unsparing hand all round. Some of what he says is true enough; but are the churches quite as bad as he tries to make out? How many 'society' preachers, e.g., does Mr. Skewes know of in London of whom his description would be even approximately accurate, or in Liverpool, which he may be supposed to know more in detail? Mr. Skewes means well, but a cause does not gain, but loses by over-statements. Loudness is not power. More often is it true that 'in quietness and confidence shall your strength be.'

ARCHBISHOP TRENCH: POET AND DIVINE. By James Silvester, M.A. (London: S.P.C.K. 1891. 1s.)—The S.P.C.K. is doing good service in publishing these readable pamphlets sketching the life and character of our great Anglican divines. The present one is very well done.

IN COVENANT WITH GOD. A Book of Instructions on Confirmation. By the Rev. the Hon. Augustus Legge, M.A., vicar of Lewisham and Hon. Canon of Rochester. (London: Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co. 1891.)—The appointment of Canon Legge to the Bishopric of Lichfield lends an additional interest to this book, intended to be used by clergy in preparing their candidates for Confirmation. It consists of a series of plain and useful expositions of the Catechism, grouped round the central thought of covenant, with an appendix containing questions on the teaching of the book and forms of prayer, &c. The work is thoughtfully and lucidly written, and ought to receive a warm welcome from the clergy of the diocese of the new Bishop and many others.

MAGAZINES.

ILLUSTRATIONS, still under the editorship of Mr. Francis George Heath, will commence an entirely new series as a sixpenny monthly on August the 15th, and continue thereafter as a mid-monthly, comprehending recreation, art, biography, literature, invention, science, economy, and fiction, profusely illustrated.

THE CHURCHMAN for July has a temperate and fair paper on the Oxford Movement. It is very pleasant reading both for the style in which it is written and the generous spirit it discovers; and it certainly, by itself, gives a distinct character to this month's number. A short notice like the present is not the place for detailed criticism, but one note may be worth giving. In case the Dean has not seen Mr. Wilfrid Ward's article in the *Contemporary* of last week, we commend it to his notice, as calculated to throw, perhaps, some light upon what, following in the wake of Dr. Abbott, he calls the 'shifts, vacillations,' and so forth, of Cardinal Newman. It is very pleasant to have the beautiful passage in one of the best of Dean Church's sermons recalled to our minds, and easily frightened men at the present time may take comfort as well as advice when they read it on the last page of the paper we are noticing. Mr. Diggle writes on 'Assisted Education;' and 'Systematic Alms-giving' is well and briskly handled by Mr. Egerton Hubbard. It is a decidedly good number throughout.

The August number contains another interesting article by Dean Boyle, hearing on the Oxford Movement, Archbishop Tait being the subject of it. The Dean opens with a vindication of the late Archbishop's character, and complains that it has been greatly misunderstood, and consequently misrepresented. There is a careful discussion of 'Pessimism' by Rev. M. Kaufmann; a short paper on 'Padre Curci,' by Canon Meyrick; and an interesting article, which we would recommend to all young preachers, on 'My Cases of Old Sermons,' by Rev. R. Glover.

THE CONTEMPORARY PULPIT has some exceptionally strong sermons in it this month. The two new outlines are both of them by contributors to *Luz Mendis*: and the 'Outlines for the Church's Year' include one of Dr. Mozley's celebrated University sermons on 'Gratitude.'

ST. NICHOLAS opens with a beautiful illustration that will please the lovers of fairy tales. There are also some good portraits of the crowned children of Europe. An excellent number.

THE NET gives a vivid account of the shipwreck of the late Bishop of Honduras, written by himself. We learn also that Mrs. McKenzie

the widow of the late Bishop for Zululand, is coming home, and that she is sister to the excellent missionary, the Rev. W. C. Porter, of the Central African Mission, who also is coming to England, being much in need of rest. The brother and sister will have much to say to one another. We hope they will not be worked too hard in England as 'deputations.'

THE NEWBURY HOUSE MAGAZINE opens with a good paper, 'Bishop Blyth and C. M. S.,' by the Rev. Haskett-Smith, who has spent the last few years in Palestine, but without active ministerial work. He says it is an historical mistake to consider the Greek Church as the Church of the Holy Land, and that, if any Church is to be considered the mother Church of Syria, it is the ancient Syriac Church, which still exists. This is a serious consideration. 'One Church for one place' is, unhappily, no rule in that place where the One Church had its beginning. 'Are the Planets Habitable?' brings in some things which were not known when Whewell wrote his *Plurality of Worlds*. We are rather sorry that *Newbury* has taken the trouble to give a serious refutation of F. G. Lee's preposterous essay on the 'Sinless Conception of the Mother of God.' Still there may be some to whom the refutation may be useful.

A NEW volume of GREAT THOUGHTS commences this month. In addition to the usual well-known features of this excellent magazine, there are special articles on Savonarola, by the Rev. W. J. Dawson; 'The Image that Fell Down from Jupiter,' by Dr. Thain Davidson; 'Imperial Penny Postage,' by J. Henniker Heaton, M.P.; 'A Sunday Evening with the Sailors,' by the Countess of Meath; and a biography of the Rev. Dr. Nicoll, by Dr. Joseph Parker.

ALSO received: THE GENTLEWOMAN, THE ANGLICAN CHURCH MAGAZINE, Part 47 OLD AND NEW LONDON, Part 83 AN OLD TESTAMENT COMMENTARY, Part 23 THE HOLY LAND AND THE BIBLE, Part 19 THE LIFE OF CHRIST.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

A QUARTERLY meeting was held at Cromer on Thursday, the 23rd ult., which was attended by thirty-six members, representing the following companies:—St. Peter Mancroft, Norwich, Diss, Lynn, Swaffham, Weston, Hethersett, Beccles, Somerleyton, Cawston, Hingham, and Bunwell. The weather was very wet up to eleven o'clock, which prevented some from attending; but after that hour the sun shone brightly, and a pleasant afternoon was enjoyed. The bells of the parish church were kept going throughout the day, several peals (720) of TREBLE BOB MINOR being rung, as well as shorter touches for the benefit of the learners, of whom many were present. Luncheon was served at half-past one, the Hon. Secretary taking the chair, supported by the Rev. T. H. Marsh (rector of Cawston), and the District Secretaries for Norwich and Beccles (Messrs. F. Knights and H. Hopson). A short business meeting followed, at which the Hon. Secretary congratulated the members present on the continued progress of the Association. Thirty-one members and probationers were admitted at this meeting, including two entire new companies, bringing up the numbers on the roll to close upon 650. It is hoped that this meeting may lead to the formation of a company for Cromer, to make proper use of the ring of six in the church tower; and to the enlistment of other companies in the neighbourhood.

Visit of Wigan Ringers to London.

THE bell-ringers of the Parish Church, Wigan, Lancashire, had their annual holiday on Monday and Tuesday, the 3rd and 4th inst. Having visited Lincoln and Chester in the two previous years, it was decided on this occasion to visit London. Leaving Wigan shortly after midnight on Sunday, they reached London before eight on Monday morning. After breakfasting a start was made for Charing Cross, afterwards visiting St. Paul's Cathedral and the Tower of London. After dinner tram was taken for Bethnal Green, where the bells of St. Matthew's Church had, by the kindness of Mr. M. A. Wood, tower-keeper, been placed at the service of the Wiganers. After ringing three or four touches of GRANDSIRE and BOB TRIPLES, Mr. T. Halliwell, on behalf of the visitors, thanked the Vicar of St. Matthew's and also Mr. Wood, for their kindness in granting the use of the bells. The rest of the day was spent at the Crystal Palace. On Tuesday the ringers visited the National Gallery, Westminster Abbey, the Houses of Parliament, South Kensington Museum, Albert Memorial, the Naval Exhibition, and several other places of interest, returning home by the midnight train.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At All Saints', Duffield, Derbyshire.

ON Friday, the 31st ult., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association (Duffield Branch) rang Sottan-stall's peal of 5184 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR in 3 hrs. 9 mins. W. Clarke, 1; S. Johnson, 2; A. P. Heywood, Esq. (conductor), 3; J. Howe, 4; G. Hingley, 5; B. Sugden, 6; Rev. F. E. Robison, 7; W. Hickling, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. The above peal, which is the first ever rung in the method by a clergyman, has not, it is believed, been previously performed.

At St. Peter's, Benington, Herts.

On Wednesday, the 29th ult., Thurstan's Original peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung in 2 hrs. 58 mins. S. Page, 1; J. Kitchener, 3; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 3; L. Chapman (first peal in the method), 4; J. Warner, 5; W. W. Gifford (Salisbury), 6; C. Shambrook, 7; W. Spicer, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt., in F sharp.

On Thursday, the 30th ult., the party visited St. Lawrence, Ardeley, Herts, and on the fine ring of six bells (tenor, 10 cwt., in B minor) they rang 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, and 240 of STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, conducted by Mr. W. Washbrook, of Oxford.

Squire Proctor writes: 'This ringing of 5040 STEDMAN, and the ringing at Ardeley, was considered by several ringing friends to be the very best that had been heard at Benington and Ardeley for many years past, if ever before. Simply beautiful.'

At All Saints', Loughborough, Leicestershire.

On Friday, the 31st ult., a peal of 5044 STEDMAN CATERERS was rung by the following members of the Midland Counties' Association in 3 hrs. 28 mins.:—J. Howe, 1; J. Smith, 2; S. Johnson, 3; B. Sugden, 4; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 5; W. T. Billingham, 6; S. Smith, 7; T. Holmes, 8; J. W. Taylor, jun., 9; A. P. Heywood, Esq., 10. Composed by A. Percival Heywood, Esq., and conducted by J. W. Taylor, jun. The above peal has the 6th fixed in 2nd's place, and has not previously been rung.

At Holy Trinity, Long Melford, Suffolk.

On Saturday, the 1st inst., a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR was rung in 3 hrs. 4 mins. W. Howell, sen., 1; A. Ambrose, 2; A. J. Clarke, 3; C. Sillitoe, 4; H. Smith, 5; F. Wells, 6; A. Symonds, 7; S. Slater, 8. Composed by Mr. G. H. Hardy, of Earlsheaton, and conducted by Mr. C. Sillitoe, of Sudbury. It is a three-part peal, and has the 6th bell at home the last two course-ends in each part. This makes the fiftieth complete peal of 5000 changes and upwards that the conductor has taken part in. Tenor, 16 cwt.

At New College, Oxford.

On Saturday, the 1st inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 15 mins. C. Fowler,* 1; A. Dubber,* 2; W. W. Gifford, 3; S. Hounslow, 4; A. Fox, 5; C. Hounslow, 6; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 7; A. Barney, 8. Tenor, 24 cwt. [* First peal.]

At St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, Westminster, London.

On Saturday, the 1st inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstan's One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 4 mins. W. H. L. Buckingham, 1; W. Garrard, 2; E. Reader (Loughborough), 3; C. F. Winny (conductor), 4; J. M. Hayes, 5; H. S. Ellis, 6; F. G. Newman, 7; W. Cropley, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt.

At the Parish Church, Woodstock, Oxford.

On Monday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 57 mins. J. Franklin, 1; W. C. Baston, 2; A. Dubber, 3; W. W. Gifford, 4; H. Judge, 5; C. Masters, 6; J. W. Washbrook, 7; W. Franklin, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt.

At St. George's, Dunster, Somerset.

On Tuesday, the 4th inst., eight members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association rang a variation of Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 4 mins. T. Elliott, 1; G. Atkins (first peal with a mobbell), 2; R. Hole, 3; J. Pugsley, 4; J. Grabham, 5; W. W. Thrush, 6; W. W. Thorne (conductor), 7; J. Payne, 8. Tenor, 21 cwt. Messrs. Atkins and Pugsley came from Minehead.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

On Saturday, the 8th inst., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5006 STEDMAN CATERERS in 3 hrs. 9 mins. G. T. McLaughlin, 1; W. E. Garrard, 2; F. G. Newman (conductor), 3; W. H. L. Buckingham, 4; J. M. Hayes, 5; E. Adams, 6; H. S. Ellis, 7; C. F. Winny, 8; F. J. French, 9; S. How, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GLEMSFORD, SUFFOLK.—On Monday, the 3rd inst., on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Jessie Slater (only daughter of John Slater, the veteran ringer) to Mr. Walter Goody, a peal of 720 BOB MINOR was rung by the following:—R. Gowers, 1; Z. Slater, 2; A. Papworth, 3; A. J. Clarke, 4; J. Bradmin, 5; S. Slater (conductor), 6. Also 720 BOB MINOR. A. J. Clarke (conductor), 1; Z. Slater, 2; C. Honeybell, 3; J. Wheeler (London), 4; R. Gowers, 5; O. Garwood, 6. Afterwards, for the wedding of Mr. E. A. Fenn to Miss E. W. Jarmin, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR was rung by the following:—F. Wells, 1; A. Garwood, 2; A. Papworth, 3; A. J. Clarke, 4; Z. Slater, 5; R. Gowers (conductor), 6. In the afternoon the company paid a visit to Assington, near Sudbury, where there has been recently put up a new ring of six bells. Here the following was rung:—216 BOB MINOR. R. Brett, 1; S. Slater (conductor), 2; C. Adams, 3; C. Honeybell, 4; J. Bradmin, 5; R. Gowers, 6. This was followed with a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB. S. Slater (conductor), 1; C. Honeybell, 2; C. Adams, 3; F. Wells, 4; R. Brett, 5; R. Gowers, 6. Also 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. R. Brett, 1; R. Gowers, 2; E. Adams, 3; F. Wells, 4; C. Honeybell, 5; S. Slater (conductor), 6.

AT STEYNING, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday, for Divine service in the morning, 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. G. Gatland, 1; J. Smart, 2; W. B. Hills, 3; W. N. Holt, 4; T. Searle, 5; C. Chambers, 6; G. Smart (conductor), 7; C. Smart,

8. And for the afternoon service 1008 STEDMAN TRIPLES. J. Smart, 1; E. Brackley, 2; G. Smart (conductor), 3; W. N. Holt, 4; C. Chambers, 5; T. Searle, 6; C. Smart, 7; G. Gatland, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, NORTON CANES, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On a Monday, six peals (120) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. J. Hildick (first 720), 1; G. Benton, 2; T. Benton, 3; J. Rock (first 720, conductor), 4; A. Rock (first 720), 5. G. and T. Benton came from Cannock.

AT ST. SWYTHIN'S, HEMPSTEAD, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—On a Sunday, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB in 21 mins. H. Mitchell, 1; E. E. Bewick, 2; F. E. Hart, 3; E. B. James, 4; J. E. Groves, 5; W. J. Sevier (conductor), 6. Also 360 DOUBLE STEDMAN SLOW-COURSE MINOR. H. Mitchell, 1; E. E. Bewick, 2; F. E. Hart, 3; E. B. James, 4; J. E. Grove, 5; W. H. Brunson (conductor), 6. Tenor, 14 cwt.

AT BRAMFIELD, SUFFOLK.—On a Monday, a date touch (1891 changes) was rung in 1 hr. 8 mins., being 451 of PLAIN BOB DOUBLES, and 360 of each of the following methods:—ST. SIMON'S, GRANDSIRE OLD, and VIOLET. G. Eastaugh, 1; E. Chatten, 2; J. Larter (conductor), 3; E. W. Thain, 4; J. Punhard, 5. G. Eastaugh came from Whenhaston, and J. Larter from Henham; the rest belong to the local company, and are all members of the Norwich Diocesan Association of Ringers. This is the longest touch ever rung on these bells.

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CONSUMPTION—A SEQUEL OF INFLUENZA—CASE OF A FARMER, CO. TYRONE, IRELAND.

The sister of Mr. Thomas Nixon, of Grannan, Co. Tyrone, applied to me on his behalf in October last.

The patient had a sharp attack of Influenza in the spring, which left him in a very weak state. Eight weeks before this he began to spit blood. Severe cough followed, with lancinating pains in the right side. Offensive heavy expectoration came on; also flushes and palpitations. Had lost flesh all over the body. Had got gradually weaker, and was now confined to his bed.

Providentially, at this time the family saw an article in the *Christian Advocate* relative to my treatment, which gave them confidence to apply to me. They did so.

In the following month the sister writes:—"My brother has improved a little—the cough is less violent, breathing easier, pains less, appetite good.

When he first got up (which he was shortly able to do) he took a slight cold: but a fortnight after that the sister writes:—"His cold is gone, and the cough has ceased. He walks a little every day, and is a wonder to everyone. His old doctor has been to see him, and was surprised. He says the lungs are nearly healed, and his heart's action is now good."

On the 2nd February last I received a letter from the patient himself, in which he says:—"By the blessing of God upon your medicines, I have been brought up from the gates of death, and I feel it my duty to write you. I am a wonder to all my friends."

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it because it represents a large amount of work. But the tunes simply abound in false relations of every kind, consecutive fifths, &c., while in time the editor does not seem to know the elements of his art. Thus in No. 6 the time signature of which is $\frac{3}{4}$, the first three bars contain six quavers, the third *nine*, and the same anomaly reappears in the second and third lines. Again, in 142 it is a novelty to find fourteen crotchets in a bar with a common-time signature. Some of the words are the veriest doggerel. Mr. Jitler has musical taste, but it needs educating and training.

DAY-DAWN. Consolation and other Poems. By J. Mellor. (London: Elliot Stock. 1891. 5s.)—Three hundred and forty-two pages of poetry, chiefly of a religious type, some of it tuneful, some of it not. Sometimes the rhymes are strained, as, e.g., 'Consolation in Faith':—

'Gracious God, unto all here
There is granted unto faith
Visions of the meeting where
There is no more death.'

On the opposite page 'death' is made to rhyme with 'wrath.' We cannot say much of some of the ideas, e.g.:—

'Good cheer comes to spread the table,
Father Christmas likes a feast;
Make a good one when you're able,
Let the wine be of the best.
Christmas goose do not despise,
Plum puddings, tarts, or mince pies,
Plentiful are the supplies
For a Christmas feast.'

The accent in the last line but two is wrong, or seems to demand mince.

MISCELLANEOUS

JOHN HOWARD. By Rev. James J. Ellis. 'Men with a Mission' Series. (London: James Nisbet, & Co. 1891. 1s.)—A brief graphic sketch of the great philanthropist. The story of John Howard is always worth reading, and his memory should be kept green.

TOURIST GUIDE TO THE CONTINENT (6d.); HOLIDAYS IN BELGIUM (1d.); WALKS IN HOLLAND (6d.); WALKS IN THE ARDENNES (6d.). (Published for the Great Eastern Railway Company at 125 Fleet Street, 1891.)—We have received the 1891 editions of these excellent guides, edited by Percy Lindley, and illustrated by J. F. Weedon and others. They are indeed admirably got up, and tempt the intending holiday-maker to follow the advice given, and spend a few days on the Continent. Few, perhaps, realise how very cheaply this can be done, and we recommend those who have, and those who have not, visited the varied scenery and art treasures so easily accessible to take Mr. Percy Lindley as their guide, philosopher, and friend for travelling purposes.

A VOICE FROM THE DIM MILLIONS. (London: Messrs. Griffith, Farran, Okeden, & Welsh.)—This is a sad history of a working woman's life in London. A respectable family are driven, by misfortune, to seek their livelihood. Gradually they are forced lower and lower, and misery dogs their footsteps until merciful death releases all but two of them. It is a sad history of awful poverty.

SINS OF TRADE AND BUSINESS, by the Hon. and Rev. W. H. Lyttelton; and THE MORALS OF TRADE, by Herbert Spencer. (London: Lottibray & Co. 1891. 1s.)—A timely reprint of Canon Lyttelton's sermon and Mr. Spencer's essay. Those who think of Herbert Spencer only as a very dry and involved writer on profound scientific and philosophical questions will be surprised, and perhaps pleased, to find that he can write simply and practically when occasion requires. His strictures on commercial immorality are very severe, and the illustrations thereof not imaginary.

THE STRAND MAGAZINE has for its frontispiece an engraving of Mr. H. Stacy Marks' well-known picture, 'A Select Committee,' and for its first article a most interesting account of an interview with that artist. 'Quarantine Island' is a short, powerful story by Mr. Walter Besant; 'The Prisoner of Assiout' is one of a similar character, by Mr. Grant Allen, and Mr. A. Conan Doyle's second adventure of Sherlock Holmes, entitled, 'The Red-headed League,' is strongly sensational. 'The Story of a Game,' from the French of M. Albert Delpit, and 'The Doctor's Story,' from the French of M. Guy de Maupassant, are both typical short French tales. 'Cats,' by Mr. J. Maclaren Cobban; 'Up a Shot Tower,' by Mr. J. Johnson; 'Celebrities at Play,' by Mr. J. S. Sullivan; the 'Portraits of Celebrities,' 'In and about Newmarket,' 'The Music of Birds,' and 'The Blue Cat,' from the French of Daniel Dare, complete the ample table of contents of this month's magazine, which has not a dull page in it.

ERRATUM.—In the review last week of James Silvester's *Archbishop Trench, Poet and Divine*, the price was wrongly stated to be a shilling. It should have been one penny.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE members of the above Society are asked to attend the meeting at headquarters, on Tuesday evening next, the 25th inst., at 8.45 p.m., when important business will be brought forward.
40 Lillington Street, Pimlico. RICHARD T. WOODLEY, Hon. Sec.

Annual Meeting of the Surrey Association.

THIS meeting was held at Ewell, by kind permission of the Vicar, on Monday, the 27th ult. Ringing began about four p.m., and continued at intervals till six, chiefly in the GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN methods, with two courses of TREBLE BOB. At six o'clock tea was served at the 'Cave' Coffee Tavern, where thirty-six members were present. After tea, the chair was taken by the Rev. Albert Low, who kindly welcomed the members to Ewell. The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. Four peals were ordered to be entered in the peal-book. The Secretary drew the attention of members to the fact that the peal-book would only hold about thirteen more peals, and that a new book would soon be required. Some discussion took place on the subject of booking peals, and it was remarked that certain other societies had their peals entered much more cheaply. It was resolved to make no alteration in the arrangements before the present book is filled up. Fifteen new ringing members and four honorary members were elected. The officers and Committee were re-elected for the ensuing year, and the names of Mr. Arther Bowers and Mr. Francis Grove were added to the list of Committee as representatives for East Molesey and Ewell respectively. Mr. Woodiss proposed, and Mr. Hallt seconded, that the next quarterly meeting be held at Guildford. Mr. Kenten moved to amend the resolution by the substitution of the word 'Beddington' for 'Guildford.' This was seconded by Mr. Beams and carried. The resolution was finally carried in this amended form after an unsuccessful further attempt to amend it in favour of Reigate. It was agreed, on the motion of Mr. Woodiss, that the next quarterly meeting be held on a Saturday. The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chairman. More ringing took place after the meeting until about nine p.m., and included a touch of four courses of DOUBLE NORWICH (the first on the bells).

The Lancashire Association.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.—The monthly ringing meeting was held at the Parish Church, Farnworth, near Widnes, on Saturday, the 1st inst. Ringers were present from Liverpool, Garston, Halewood, and Southport, besides the local company. The meeting in the schoolroom was presided over by the Curate (Rev. J. Leigh), and the minutes of the last meeting were passed. He then addressed those present, giving all of them a hearty welcome, and wishing them every prosperity in the art of change-ringing and Church work, &c. The Secretary (Mr. Hill) also made a few remarks on the progress of ringing in the branch and throughout the county generally since the formation of the Association in 1879, and he hoped they might continue in the same prosperity. Votes of thanks were passed for the use of the bells and schoolroom, and to the Curate for presiding, who briefly responded. The next meeting was fixed to be held at Halewood (eight bells), on Saturday, September 5th, and the meeting closed with the Benediction. GRANDSIRE DOUBLES and several peals of GRANDSIRE MINOR were rung during the evening.

Reopening of the Church Bells at Hinderclay, Suffolk.

A SERVICE, consisting of special prayers and appropriate psalms and hymns, was held in the above church at 3.30 p.m., on Friday, August 14th, for the dedication of the church bells after restoration. The Rev. W. W. Hawkins, rector, intoned the prayers, and the lesson (Numb. x. 1-10) was read by the Rev. J. S. Sawbridge. The surpliced clergy then proceeded to the tower for the proper dedicatory portion of the service, and during an interval one short peal was sounded on the bells by the following ringers:—G. Bullock (Ixworth), 1; R. Pilbrow (Hinderclay), 2; H. Lambert (Ixworth), 3; Rev. R. W. Pitt (North Lopham), 4; G. Driver (Hinderclay), 5; G. Lambert (Ixworth), 6. In the unavoidable absence, through illness, of the Ven. the Archdeacon of Sudbury, who was to have preached the sermon, this duty was excellently well performed, on very short notice, by the Rev. T. Holt Wilson, rector of Redgrave, and formerly curate-in-charge of Hinderclay. The preacher founded his address upon 1 Cor. xiv. 10, 'There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices, and none of them is without signification,' showing, in an impressive manner, the various ways in which church bells especially may speak to those who live around. The service concluded with the singing of the *Te Deum*, followed by the Benediction, and as the congregation dispersed the bells again broke forth into a joyous peal. The offertory, which was for church expenses, amounted to *l. 16s. 10d.* This fine old ring of six bells, which was famous in the district for purity and beauty of tone, had been for some years so far out of repair that it was not deemed safe to do more than chime them; and their restoration to full use is a matter for congratulation to the parish and the Rector, whose efforts have been for some time past directed to the collection of the necessary funds. The workmanship was carried out by Mr. G. Bullock, bellhanger, of Ixworth.

A Silver Wedding Peal.

THE sweet bells of All Saints', South Acton, Middlesex, never rang out so merrily as they did on Monday evening, August 10th, when the united parish, congregation, and friends of its popular Vicar and his wife met together in the Parish Hall to present them with a magnificent horse, silver harness, and landau, on the occasion of their silver wedding. It is now

twenty years since the Rev. A. Hunter Dunn, M.A., started the work of All Saints' in a school church in a rapidly increasing part of Acton, and the progress and ramifications the church has since made have been most phenomenal, until Christ's work in such a poor London suburb as South Acton is a byword all over the diocese of London. The many friends of the Vicar were sadly troubled about four years ago, when he was offered the far richer living of Great Yarmouth, and their joy was so unbounded when he decided to stay with them that they quickly put together over 200*l.*, and presented Mr. and Mrs. Dunn with some highly prized and suitable gifts. And now, on the occasion of their silver wedding, another spontaneous testimonial has been made to show the love and esteem the parishioners have for such a sterling man and his no less popular wife, whose hard-working and unselfish labours have won the hearts of their people as much by the study of their temporal good as by the honest care of their souls. The willing ringers of All Saints' bells last week were doubtless urged on in their self-imposed task by the knowledge that the bells were not bidding good-bye to a departing bride, but in cheering on the bride and bridegroom of many summers, whom they had learned to love so well.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Mary's, Beddington, Surrey.

MONDAY, the 3rd inst., being the anniversary of the opening of the bells of the above church, there was a good attendance of ringers, among whom were several well-known friends from London and Kingston. Various methods were rung, including STEDMAN CATERNS, STEDMAN TRIPLES, GRANDSIRE, TREBLE, BOB MAJOR, and ROYAL, and DOUBLE NORWICH. Ringing began soon after two o'clock, and was kept up until late in the evening.

Muffled Peal at the Parish Church, Ashby-de-la-Zouch, Leicestershire.

On Friday evening, the 7th inst., a Date Touch (1891) of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 69 mins. G. Hatton, 1; E. W. Beadmoore, 2; T. Jacques, 3; J. H. Dunmore, 4; W. Owen, 5; A. Hitchcock, 6; W. Canner, 7; G. Thornley, 8. Arranged by J. Jaggard, and conducted by Walter Canner. Also on Sunday evening, the 9th inst., for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 44 mins. G. Hatton, 1; E. W. Beadmoore, 2; T. Jacques, 3; J. H. Dunmore, 4; G. C. Tunnicliffe (Melbourne), 5; A. Hitchcock, 6; W. Canner, 7; G. Thornley, 8. Composed and conducted by Walter Canner. The above were rung with the bells half muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of William Edward Smith, Esq., who died August 3rd. Mr. Smith had been a Warden of the parish church for thirty-one years, and was also a Vice-President of the Ashby-de-la-Zouch Parish Church Society of Change-ringers.

At St. John's, Waterloo Road, London.

On Saturday, the 8th inst., eight members of the Waterloo Society rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. H. N. Davis, 1; F. L. Davies, 2; J. W. Mansfield, 3; W. Baron, jun., 4; J. E. Davis, 5; A. E. Church, 6; G. W. Wild (conductor), 7; W. F. Meads, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. H. L. Partington to Miss Mary Edwards.

At the Minster, Beverley, Yorkshire.

On Saturday, the 8th inst., eight members of the Yorkshire Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 53 mins. C. Jackson (conductor), 1; J. Highfield, 2; J. W. Stickney, 3; H. W. Needham, 4; D. W. Brown, 5; J. Dixey (birthday), 6; W. T. Cockerill (London), 7; H. Jenkins, 8.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

On Monday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association rang Sotanstall's peal of 5084 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 58 mins. C. L. Routledge, 1; R. C. Hudson (aged thirteen, first peal in the method), 2; R. S. Story, 3; H. Ferguson, 4; W. Story, 5; G. Atkinson, 6; W. Holmes, 7; F. J. Harrison (conductor), 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt. The composition is in one part, and has the 4th, 5th, and 6th, their extent in 6th's place, and the 2nd never there; the 6th bell is at home at the last twelve course-ends.

At Salisbury, Wilts.

On Monday, the 10th inst., four members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Salisbury Diocesan Guild rang, on handbells retained in hand, Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 38 mins. W. S. Wise (conductor), 1-2; W. W. Gifford, 3-4; A. P. Goddard, 5-6; W. Greenleaf, 7-8. Rung on a set of handbells by R. Wells, of Aldbourne, Wilts, and are probably one hundred years old.

At St. Martin's, Birmingham.

On Tuesday, the 11th inst., ten members of the St. Martin's Guild rang the late H. Johnson's peal of 5000 KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL in 3 hrs. 37 mins. H. Bastable (conductor), 1; J. Joynes, 2; T. Russam, 3; C. Stanbridge, 4; W. Mundy, 5; W. R. Small, 6; T. Reynolds, 7; W. Kent, 8; J. Buffery, 9; H. Johnson, 10. Tenor, 36 cwt. This peal contains the 6th twelve times each way in 5-6, with the bells in and out of the Titum position, and is the first peal of TREBLE BOB ROYAL on these bells since December 28th, 1819.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At ST. THOMAS'S, NORTHAW, HERTS.—On Sunday, the 16th inst., for evening service, six peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, each called differently, in 27 mins. R. Stiles, 1; F. Stiles, 2; W. Tucker, Esq. (conductor), 3; W. H.

Bonsey, Esq., 4; G. Stevens, 5; C. Griggs, 6. Tenor, 12 cwt. 3 qrs. 26 lbs. The above was the first complete 720 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, with six different callings, which has been accomplished at this church. Each ringer is a member of the parish band.

At QUORNDON, LEICESTERSHIRE.—On Wednesday evening, the 12th inst., the local ringers, with the assistance of Messrs. Matthews, Reader, and Taylor, of Loughborough, rang their first 500 of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. T. Herbert, 1; W. T. Inglesant, 2; E. Reader, 3; A. W. Matthews, 4; W. Dexter, 5; J. W. Taylor, jun. (conductor), 6; A. Jacques, 7; G. Walton, 8.

At ST. MARY'S, HORNSEY, LONDON.—On Sunday, the 9th inst., 720 BOB MINOR was rung by the following in 25 mins.:—J. Ward, 1; A. Howell, 2; H. Stubbs, 3; W. Short (conductor), 4; T. Tichener, 5; J. Barry, 6.

At ST. PETER'S, TUNBRIDGE WELLS, KENT.—On a Monday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 42 mins. C. Button, 1; W. Gibson, 2; P. Brooker, 3; E. Mankelov, 4; J. Mugeridge, 5; T. Card, 6; W. Latter (conductor), 7; J. Groombridge, 8. Messrs. Button and Gibson came from Tottenham.

At ST. MARGARET'S, HORSMONDEN, KENT.—On a Sunday morning, 720 BOB MINOR (forty-two singles) in 30 mins. T. Lambert, 1; G. Hodge, 2; F. Butchers, 3; F. Lambert (conductor), 4; W. Lambert, 5; J. Beach, 6.

THE CURE OF CONSUMPTION AN ESTABLISHED FACT.

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BRONCHO-PHTHISIS—CASE OF A CHURCH OF
ENGLAND LAY PREACHER.

Mr. W. had laboured very hard in mission work, and been in a weak state for two years. A hacking cough had come on, the sequence of a severe cold. Still he kept on with his duties. The result of this was pleurisy, then inflammation of the right lung, which completely laid him aside. Writing me May 2nd last year, he says:—'My mother died of consumption when I was twelve years old.'

The symptoms at this time were much cough with expectoration, and very severe pains, difficult breathing, night perspirations, loss of flesh and strength; and the report of the doctor was 'Chronic bronchitis, merging into consumption; also, no doubt, there were pleuritic adhesions and sub-acute inflammation of the lungs.'

Six weeks passed, and I heard from the patient (June 14). He had attended carefully to all directed, and was better. Tonic ordered in addition to other medicine.

In July he writes:—'I continue to find benefit under your treatment. Cough better, phlegm less, night sweats gone, appetite better. Friends are astonished.'

In August, a soreness of which he had complained, was removed by the rubbings ordered.

In November (4th) he writes:—'I am thankful to report myself much more improved, and all who knew me before I began your treatment are amazed.'

Mr. W. persevered still, and into the New Year. On the 11th March last, writing me for some of my books to lend in his parish, he expresses his intention to make my treatment known. 'I cannot (he says) speak loudly enough of the benefits I have received.'

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THROUGH MISTY VEILS! Verses of the Past and of Day-Dream-land. By Rowe Lingston. (London and Sydney: Griffith, Farran, Okeden, & Welsh.)—Mr. Lingston knows how to tell stories in spirited and musical verse. He is at home in legends like *The Laidly Worm*, and excites his reader's interest in the weird and stirring events of which they are composed. We do not, however, personally like his method of leaving off without finishing the tale, as though he said, 'And of course you know they lived happily ever afterwards, so that it is folly for me to trouble to tell you that this was the case.' We quote two instances of this peculiarity:—

'Friends that have followed this legend hoary,
Led by my taper's flickering fire,
Lightly now can ye finish the story,
Gentle-lady or courteous squire.'

And again—

'Lady fair, or gentle sir,
Well mayst thou guess how died the Lord Shand,
How Sir Hugh gained the castle and the land.'

We may note, also, in passing, that the author apparently expects a high class of readers, unless he is imitating the old minstrels in the phrases 'gentle lady' and 'gentle sir.' He has evidently a keen appreciation of nature, and writes fanciful but sympathetic dialogues between a man and an old pine, or a man and the sea, as well as a curious song in 'the glades of the woodlands' between the 'stately pine' and a 'silver birch.' This reminds us of the vegetable passion of Mr. Gilbert's would-be æsthete, though we are at a loss to know why Mr. Lingston should have written verses in eloquent praise of a tomato, which are nearly as ridiculous as the 'attachment à la Plato for a bashful young potato or a not too French French bean.' It is interesting, *perhaps*, to be told that

'A cucumber in early spring,
Might please a sated Cæsar;'

but we cannot fancy the tomato—

'With juice and flavour overfilled,
Fit subject for my ballad,
Or comest thou frittered, baked, or grilled,
Or sliced into a salad?'

NADESCHDA: A Poem in Nine Cantos. By John Ludvig Runeberg. Translated from the Swedish by Mrs. John Shipley (Maria E. Brown). (London: Elliot Stock.)—We are sorry to have been led to the conclusion that Mrs. Shipley has performed a labour of love with more diligence than success. She is justly, we fancy, impressed with the nobility of Runeberg's nature and the grandeur of his poetry, and has made the laudable attempt to introduce him to English readers by a translation of one of his chief works: but she is unfortunately without a sense for style, and, while apparently following her author pretty closely, has robbed his ideas of their magnetic force by clothing them in prosaic and limp sentences. The first of the following two lines is almost inexcusable:—

'Soon though, softened by his mild repose,
She, with fondness, kissed his silver locks.'

Mrs. Shipley has narrated the story of Runeberg's busy, hard life with a genuine enthusiasm that awakens one's interest in the man and in his biographer. We are heartily glad to hear again of this patriotic Finnish poet, and to read once more, in whatever form, of his delightful *Nadeschda*. The story of this poem is singularly simple and brief, but the characters stand out most clearly before us; we realise their thoughts and their lives, while instances of the customs of Russia, in which the events take place, remind us with cruel distinctness of the horrible tyranny with which appearances are made to cover the misery and wretchedness of that country. Our sympathies are aroused for both the princes who love *Nadeschda*, and we do not personally belong to that class of critics who demand an unhappy ending to satisfy what they call their artistic sense. We especially welcome cheerfulness in a Norse genius.

IN CLOVER AND HEATHER. By Wallace Bruce. Second Edition. (Edinburgh: William Blackwood.)—Mr. Bruce represents a pair of contradictory interests, having fond associations with both Scotland and America: but his experiences have unfortunately not made him a poet, though they have left him with a generous reverence for the three heroes of literature—Shakespeare, Sir Walter Scott, and that 'glorious chief' Robbie Burns. He has indeed the proper national pride in the ploughman poet, and writes best in Scotch dialect, and in the special metres which one connects chiefly with Burns:—

'I traced the love-lit winding stream,
Sw-et monogram of passion's dream;
I _____ i to hear the moonlight gleam
In loving croon,
So gently fell its fondling beam
On bonnie Doon.'

To Shakespeare, too, he pays special tribute by writing three lay songs supposed to be sung by Juliet to Romeo, Ferdinand to Miranda, and Anthony to Cleopatra respectively, but these daring attempts are unfortunately totally inadequate to their subject. He indicates his American connexion by dedicating the volume 'To the abiding friendship of Walter Scott and Washington Irving, which has widened into national affection,' and by poems on American localities. Apart from these, he writes smooth, flowing verse on various subjects of scenic or emotional interest, which are at times degraded by the use of such expressions as 'The same is true,' 'the poet who has the cheek,' and 'my better half,' while they are illuminated by such beautiful lines as this:—

'Alakelet, that seems but a valley's tear;'

and this, of a stream:—

'And, though the spring's no longer mine,
I kiss its cooling lips.'

He apparently holds the favourite fallacy of all people over a certain age that

'Sweetest truth
Is written on life's title-page.'

'The Christmas Story,' contained in the poem called 'Inasmuch,' is interesting and brightly told, while he has added to the interest of this the second edition of *In Clover and Heather* by furnishing it with a facsimile of the manuscript of Burns' 'Blue-eyed Lassie.' The Eastern legend about the stranger to whom Abraham refused refreshment because he omitted to say grace is also delightful, though we like Leigh Hunt's version of it better than Mr. Bruce's.

MAGAZINES.

THE central attraction in the REVIEW OF REVIEWS is the character sketch of the Emperor of Germany, illustrated with some capital portraits. The various sides of the Emperor's character are indicated, and the main lines of his policy, home and foreign, clearly pointed out. The summaries of the month's magazines and reviews are as usual ably done.

In addition to a condensed account of the religious articles in current periodical literature, the RELIGIOUS REVIEW OF REVIEWS (which is improving) contains a character sketch of Archdeacon Farrar, a sermon by the Rev. J. C. Carlile (founder of the Church Army), and a reply to Professor Huxley by Canon Hayman.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Books for Ringers.

SIR,—I have a spare copy of *Standard Methods*, by Snowdon; *Change-ringing*, by Banister; and *Campanologia*, by Shipway (the reprint). I shall be glad to send them to any one of your readers who will write to me. I will only ask for repayment of the postage. J. E. A.
16 Augustus Road, Birmingham.

The Bells of Beverley Minster.

SIR,—I shall be much obliged if one of your numerous readers will give me the weight of the ring of bells at Beverley Minster, and also that of the bell in the south tower, together with any other particulars which may be of interest. H.

1 Lowther Street, Kendal.

The Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

THE next Meeting of this Association will be held at Clent, on Saturday, September 12th, in St. Leonard's Schoolroom, by kind permission of the Rev. F. R. Lawson (vicar), who will preside. Committee Meeting at 6 p.m. prompt. General Meeting at 6.45 prompt. The tower will be open for ringing during the afternoon. The tower of St. John's, Hagley, will also be open, by the kind permission of the Rev. W. C. Gibbs (rector).

JOHN SMITH, Hon. Sec.

The Middlesex Association.

ON Monday, the 3rd inst., five members of the above Association from Finchley, and C. Tucker, of Hendon, visited the parish church of Hadley, and rang 720 OXFORD BOW (eighteen bobs and two singles). W. Tubb, 1; C. Tucker, 2; F. Sparks, 3; W. Webb, 4; W. Burrows, 5; F. Carroway (conductor), 6. Afterwards a move was made to South Mimms, Mr. J. Sumpter, of Barnet, having got permission to ring. 720 BOB MINOR was attempted, but came to grief just over the half-way. A second attempt was made, but with the same result after ringing 600 changes. The bells go badly, and it is almost impossible to ring on them. The tenor is said to be about 15 cwt. by the local band, but in Messrs. Mears & Stainbank's list it is given as 11 cwt.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Michael's, Minehead, Somerset.

ON Saturday, the 15th inst., eight members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association rang a peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (the first half of

Reeves' Variation and the last half of Holt's Ten-part) in 3 hrs. 3 mins. J. Haut, 1; W. W. Thorne (conductor), 2; G. Atkins, 3; J. Grabham, 4; J. Pugsley, 5; W. W. Thrush, 6; H. Moore, 7; J. Passmore, 8. The peal was rung on the occasion of the first annual meeting of the above Association, held at Bath on this date, by those members who were too far away to attend. Messrs. Thorne, Grabham, and Thrush came from Dunster; the rest belong to the local band.

At St. Andrew's, Wraysbury, Bucks.

ON Saturday, the 15th inst., Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 3 hrs. 8 mins. W. Leader, 1; W. Baron (conductor), 2; A. C. Fussell, 3; W. Baron, jun., 4; W. Wilder, 5; G. Whatmore (first peal), 6; H. Fussell, 7; E. Woodley, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt. This is the first peal on the bells, which were opened by H.R.H. Princess Christian, June 3rd, 1890. Permission was kindly given by the Vicar, the Rev. J. H. Hindson, who also met the band in the belfry. Mr. Baron and his son came from Waterloo, Mr. Whatmore belongs to Wraysbury, and the rest to Slough.

Opening of a New Organ at Lilleshall, Salop.

TUESDAY, the 4th inst., was the day selected for the opening and dedication of a new organ in the parish church, erected by the Marchioness of Stafford in memory of her father, the late Earl of Rosslyn. The sermon at the dedicatory service was preached by the Archbishop of York. Six members of St. Peter's Guild of Wolverhampton rang some excellent peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. Some good touches were also rung with one or two of the local band, who only lately started to learn to ring, and credit is due to them for the progress they have made.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, BROMLEY, KENT.—On Sunday, the 16th inst., a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 43 mins. P. Harman, 1; T. Durling, 2; T. Harford, 3; J. Emery (conductor), 4; G. Durling, 5; E. Dunn, 6; H. G. Fruin, 7; W. James, 8.

AT THE CATHEDRAL, LINCOLN.—On a Saturday, 224 BOB MAJOR. W. A. Hodson, 1; J. S. Harris, 2; H. Maidens, 3; W. Knowles, 4; J. Austin (conductor), 5; F. W. Walker, 6; G. Chester, 7; I. Vickers, 8. Also 576 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR. F. W. Walker, 1; J. B. Fenton, 2; J. S. Harris, 3; J. Holman, 4; J. Austin (conductor), 5; I. Vickers, 6; G. Chester, 7; W. Knowles, 8. And 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. I. Vickers, 1; G. H. Doughty, 2; J. Holman, 3; C. Wells (conductor), 4; J. B. Fenton, 5; J. Austin, 6; J. S. Harris, 7; W. Knowles, 8. J. Holman came from Sheffield. Tenor, 20 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, DALTON-IN-FURNESS.—On a Sunday, for evening service, 720 BOB MINOR (thirty bobs and two singles) in 24 mins. T. R. Jackson, 1; T. Townson, 2; J. Spencer, 3; T. Stuart, 4; T. Watson (conductor), 5; J. Burrows, 6.

AT ST. LAURENCE'S, READING, BERKS.—On a Sunday, 518 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 18 mins. L. Rolfe (first 500), 1; E. C. Foxell (conductor), 2; W. Holloway, 3; C. Giles, 4; J. H. Maskell, 5; A. Watmore, 6; W. Newell, 7; T. Harvey, 8. And on a Tuesday, a quarter-peal of 1296 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 52 mins. C. Giles, 1; H. M. Bawden, 2; C. Foxell, 3; J. Potter, 4; W. H. Holloway, 5; A. Whatmore, 6; W. Johnson, 7; W. J. Williams, 8; W. Newell (conductor), 9; W. Shipway, 10. Composed by W. Meadows. The above touch was rung to commemorate the coming of age of Mr. Newell's eldest son.

AT ST. MICHAEL'S, GLOUCESTER.—On a Thursday, for practice, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES (Thurstans') in 48 mins. W. H. Brunson (conductor), 1; F. E. Hart, 2; E. B. James, 3; W. C. Jones, 4; J. Grove, 5; R. Brunson (first quarter-peal in the method), 6; A. Roberts, 7; W. G. Arkell, 8. And on a Sunday morning, for Divine service, 210 UNION TRIPLES and 300 DUFFIELD MAJOR, by R. J. Wilkins, S. E. Romans, E. B. James, F. E. Hart, W. C. Jones, G. L. Brunson, W. G. Arkell, W. Brunson, and A. Roberts. Conducted by W. Brunson and E. B. James respectively. Tenor, 21 cwt., in E. The above are all members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association, and the St. Michael's Juniors, Gloucester.

AT ST. GILES'S, READING, BERKS.—On a Sunday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. A. W. Reeves,* 1; C. Giles, 2; H. Dibley,* 3; A. E. Evans, 4; F. Sweetzer, 5; A. Whatmore, 6; A. E. Reeves (conductor), 7; C. Hind,* 8. Rung to commemorate the forty-first birthday of C. Hind. [* Longest length with a bob-bell.]

AT ST. MARTIN'S, SALISBURY.—On a Saturday, 1260 STEDMAN TRIPLES. W. S. Wise (conductor), 1; S. Macey, 2; C. A. Clements, 3; W. Greenleaf, 4; R. W. J. Gollup, 5; W. W. Gifford, 6; A. P. Goddard, 7; C. H. Watts, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, STANMORE, MIDDLESEX.—On a Tuesday, for practice, two peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. W. Cheshire, 1; E. Heading (conductor), 2; W. Boduncade, 3; H. G. Rowe (Aldenham), 4; A. Horrod, 5; T. Moxom, 6. Also 120, conducted by H. G. Rowe.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, TICKHILL, YORKS.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 VIOLET in 25 mins. A. Wright, 1; F. Durdy, 2; G. W. Stevenson, 3; T. Manfield, 4; C. Ainley, 5; J. S. Jenkinson (conductor), 6. Also 240 DUKE OF YORK. After service [720 PRIMOSE in 25½ mins., standing as above. Messrs. Stevenson and Durdy came from Everton, and are members of the North Notts Association.

AT ST. MARY'S, PRESTON, SUFFOLK.—On a Sunday, for afternoon service, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB (nine bobs). J. Brady, 1; W. Hollocks, 2; A. Symonds, 3; J. Moore, 4; W. G. Crickmer (conductor), 5; W. Ruffels (first 720 in the method), 6. W. G. Crickmer came from Earl Soham; J. Brady and W. Ruffels, Debenham.

AT SS. PETER AND PAUL'S, LAVENHAM, SUFFOLK.—On a Sunday, for morning service, 1008 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. W. Boby, 1; A. Symonds, 2; W. Ruffels (first 1008 in the method), 3; H. Smith, 4; W. G. Crickmer, 5; W. Snell, 6; T. King (conductor), 7; W. Moore, 8.

AT BUCKLAND, SURREY.—On a Sunday, two peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. A. Holman, 1; F. Sanders, 2; J. Robinson, 3; R. Holman, 4; G. Allen (conductor), 5. Also three peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. A. Holman, 1; G. Allen, 2; J. Robinson, 3; R. Holman, 4; F. Sanders (conductor), 5.

AT THE PRIORY CHURCH, CHRISTCHURCH, HANTS.—On a Saturday, a start was made for Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, but after ringing 1 hr. 30 mins., a change-course occurred. A. Grist, 1; J. Bristow, 2; T. Best, 3; J. G. Bennett, 4; T. Green, 5; G. Preston (conductor), 6; J. J. Bristow, 7; T. Belben, 8. Tenor, 32 cwt. This is G. Preston's first attempt to call a peal, also the longest length by him and T. Best.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, REIGATE, SURREY.—On a Monday, for practice, 252 STEDMAN TRIPLES. F. Hoad (conductor), 1; F. Linter, 2; F. Smith, 3; W. R. Smith, 4; W. Argent, 5; E. Moses, 6; E. Kenward, 7; J. Howard, 8. And 504 in the same method. F. Hoad (conductor), 1; F. Linter, 2; F. Smith, 3; W. R. Smith, 4; J. Dashford, sen., 5; E. Moses, 6; E. Kenward, 7; J. Howard, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.—On a Monday, for practice, a half-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 2520 changes, in 1 hr. 22 mins. J. Taylor, 1; S. Lord, 2; J. Ashworth, 3; L. Taylor, 4; W. Taylor, 5; J. Shepherd, 6; J. S. Wright, 7; J. Diver, 8.

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Mr. B., of Peterborough, visited Coombe Lodge in June of last year.

He was recommended by Rev. Geo. Edwards, of that city.

He first had bleeding from the lungs twelve years before this, and various attacks since. These were becoming more and more frequent, and came on without any warning.

In consequence of this he had become much weaker, and was fast losing flesh. On examination his case was reported 'hæmorrhagic phthisis,' and the left lung was found to be diseased. Special instructions were given.

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NOTE.—Days of Consultation.—TUESDAY, THURSDAY, and
SATURDAY MORNINGS ONLY, at Coombe Lodge, Peckham. Patients
from any long distance should choose either of the two former days. Patients
expected to have seen the book first.

with the 'Women's Help Society,' and a beautiful little poem by S. L. Ewbank, entitled 'Work.'

IN THE GIRLS' OWN PAPER (R. T. S.) Lily Watson's story of Swiss school-life, 'A Fortunate Exile,' keeps up its interest; and Ruth Lamb's short tale on the discomforts of married life, when the bride has in no way qualified herself for her position, gives hints by which girls would do well to profit. 'Midst Granite Hills' seems to us poor. Of the occasional papers, perhaps the best is that on 'The Recreation of Eminent Women,' by the Rev. W. Cowan.

OUR OWN GAZETTE (Partridge & Co.) contains a plea against the use of 'Birds in our Bonnets,' an account of 'The Martyrdom of Anne Askew,' and a clearly written chapter of advice upon the question, 'How to Open a Banking Account with the Government.'

We have to thank THE SUN MAGAZINE (Alexander Gardner) for standing forth as a staunch champion of the rights of the animal creation. The paper by Isabella Fyvie Mayo, headed, 'A Mouth Opened for the Dumb,' is a forcible statement of what is really meant by the proposed 'Institute of Preventive Medicine' in London, showing that it might be more truly denominated an Institute for the Practice of Protected Vivisection. As Sir Michael Hicks-Beach has granted the required licence to register the Institute as a Limited Liability Company, with the omission of the word 'Limited,' the protest comes, we fear, too late to do more than open the eyes of its readers to a legalised iniquity; still, if public opinion can be roused with respect to the scheme, a revolt against its barbarities may come in time. At least let it be said, 'This thing was not done in a corner.'

THE CHURCH MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCER presses home on its readers the urgent claims of North India, pleading that 'there are tens of millions in India who have never heard of Christ at all,' and that the missionaries are scarcely in the proportion of 'one to each quarter of a million of souls.' Dr. Harford Battersby's journal of 'Medical Mission Work in the Soudan,' and the reports of labours amongst the Japanese will repay careful perusal.

IN THE GLEANER (C. M. S.) 'Medical Missions' are to the front; AWAKE deals with Africa; whilst THE CHILDREN'S WORLD gives delightful missionary stories for our boys and girls, from all parts of the globe.

THE MISSION FIELD (S. P. G.) contains interesting surveys of the Society's recent efforts in Delhi, Chota Nagpore, and other places.

THE LITTLE PAPERS and THE M. P. S. (Bemrose & Sons) and THE MORNING CALM (Griffith & Farran) have also reached us.

FROM the office of the G. O. P. and B. O. P. respectively, we have received the fifth parts of THE GIRLS' OWN OUTDOOR BOOK and OUTDOOR GAMES and RECREATIONS, the former occupied with picnics, garden parties, 'Etiquette in Walking, Riding, and Driving,' and 'The Art of Travelling,' and the latter with 'Holidays on the Thames.'

BABYHOOD: THE MOTHERS' JOURNAL OF NURSERY HEALTH (*Babyhood* Publishing Company) is a sixpenny periodical devoted to the diet, clothing, and care of infants. We do not consider the tone quite so good as that of Miss Yonge's magazine of the same scope; still, *Babyhood* offers many useful hints to young mothers on practical subjects.

THE SUNDAY FRIEND (Mowbray & Co.) is a little monthly full of brightly written tales and advanced Church teaching, and is designed, we should think, mainly for choirboys.

THE BAND OF HOPE REVIEW contains an amusing picture story in four parts, 'He would be a Smoker!' It also announces the results of a 'Prize Bible Question Competition.'

RECEIVED also: THE SCOTTISH STANDARD BEARER.—Also from Messrs. Cassell & Company, Part 20 of Archdeacon Farrar's LIFE OF CHRIST; Part 48 of OLD AND NEW LONDON; Part 84 of AN OLD TESTAMENT COMMENTARY, edited by Bishop Ellicott; and Part 24 of Dr. Cunningham Geikie's HOLY LAND AND THE BIBLE.

WALKS IN EPPING FOREST: A Handbook to the Forest Paths, with Cycling and Driving Routes. By Percy Lindley. Illustrated. New edition. (London: 123-125 Fleet Street. 1891. 6d.)—We are glad to welcome this new edition of Mr. Lindley's admirable and delightful guide to Epping Forest. It deserves very wide circulation, and cannot fail to interest the explorer of the many beauties of one of our most charming suburban retreats. The Forest only needs the approaches to it to be improved to become ideal, but we cannot say that the railway route from Liverpool Street thither is invigorating.

ARCHDEACON FARRAR left England on Thursday for Italy. He has just commenced to write a series of articles for the new *Review of the Churches*, which Mr. Percy Bunting and Dr. Lunn will bring out next month. The articles will be entitled 'The Great Philanthropies,' and will deal with our great national charities. The first of the series will be Dr. Barnardo's Homes.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

'Books for Ringers.'

SIR,—The result of my letter on this subject has been that I have had a far greater number of applications than I have been able to meet. I am sorry that so many of your readers will be disappointed, but this letter will explain the reason. If any one else has spare copies of change-ringing books, and will follow my example, I feel confident they will earn the gratitude of many brother-ringers.

J. E. A.

16 Augustus Road, Birmingham.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—At a meeting of this Society held at St. Saviour's on Tuesday, the 25th August last, a resolution was passed that the peals of this Society be entered in the peal-book every six months, viz., January and July in each year. The Secretary begs to call the attention of conductors of peals to Rule 7, as this rule in future will be strictly enforced.

40 Lillington Street, Pimlico, S.W. RICHARD T. WOODLEY, Hon. Sec.

The St. James's Society, London.

The annual business meeting of this Society took place on Monday, the 17th ult. The accounts for the year having been audited by Messrs. Newman and Payne, and the balance-sheet presented and passed, the following gentlemen were elected and re-elected as officers for the ensuing year:—Master, Mr. F. G. Newman; Secretary, Mr. G. W. Wild (re-elected); Treasurer, Mr. E. Albone (re-elected); Senior Steward, Mr. H. B. Payne; Junior Steward, Mr. E. H. Adams. GEO. W. WILD, Hon. Secretary.

8 Francis Street, Waterloo Road, London, S.E.

The Midland Counties' Association.

NUNEATON BRANCH.—A meeting of this Branch took place at Narborough on Saturday, the 22nd ult., members attending from Nuneaton, Barwell, Stony Stanton, &c., Messrs. S. Cotton and J. O. Lancashire being present from Leicester. By the kind permission of the Vicar the bells of the Parish Church was raised in peal, and several touches in various methods were brought round, including KENT TREBLE BOB, BOB MINOR, CANTERBURY PLEASURE MINOR, and GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN DOUBLES. At five o'clock the members adjourned to the schoolroom, where tea had been provided by the Rev. W. Langley, and about twenty-two sat down. A move was then made to the belfry to ring for evensong, which commenced at six p.m. All the members attended, some of them going into the choir, thus showing they can be Church workers in more ways than one. Divine service over, a few more touches were rung, and the bells lowered. At a business meeting subsequently held a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for granting the use of the bells, and for his kind invitation to tea. Train-time having now arrived, a final course of GRANDSIRE CATERERS was rung upon the handbells—H. W. Horwood, 1-2; T. Chapman, 3-4; A. R. Aldham, 5-6; S. Cotton, 7-8; J. Swinfield, 9-10—much to the delight of the inhabitants.

The Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change-ringers.

THE Annual Meeting of this Association was held at Bath on Saturday, the 15th ult. The proceedings commenced with a dinner at West's Dining Rooms, Upper Borough Walls. The chair was taken by the Rev. Prebendary Salmon (Weston-super-Mare), and among those present were the Rev. H. A. Cockey (master, Gloucester and Bristol Association), the Rev. C. W. H. Griffith (master, Bath and Wells Association), Mr. E. J. Lascelles (Newton-St.-Loe), Mr. W. Ludlow (Dunster), and Mr. Rupert Lewis (hon. secretary). Subsequently the Annual Meeting was held.

The Hon. Secretary read the first annual report, which stated that the happy auspices under which the Association was commenced in July last, at Taunton, could be said to have been fully realised. The books showed, for the first year, a list of 194 members, viz., twenty-nine honorary, six life, and 159 performing members, representing nineteen towers in union; also five peals had been recorded, and considerable energy and competition aroused. Turning with great satisfaction from these encouraging results, it would be as well to point out some of their special difficulties, so as to guide future effort. The diocese was an exceedingly difficult one to get about, from the defective train service, and from the distance of many large districts from the railroad. Consequently much depended on local energy for the spread of the work of the Association. The Central Executive held meetings in various parts of the diocese four times a year for business purposes and to promote unity and consolidation. But for more than this they were forced to look to local Secretaries to arrange and hold monthly district meetings throughout the diocese, and in this direction there was much need of more energy and faithful assistance. Next, there was a great want of more peal-conductors, and to meet this it was asked that if any promise appeared in any part of the diocese the local ringers would give them as much opportunity as possible to practise. Again, it was regretted that so few methods were practised. Additional ones were strongly urged to be attempted and persevered with. Attention was also drawn to some little indifference on the part of a few of the diocesan clergy to the Association's work, and the reminder was thrown out to clergy and ringers alike that in these days a ringer who did not belong to his Diocesan Association through his parish-church tower was nothing accounted of in the ringing world. In conclusion, the report emphasised the necessity for the enlisting of a wider sympathy in

the Association's work. The statement of accounts was also submitted, showing that with a total income up to January last of 21l. 10s., there was a balance in hand at the close of 1890 of 7l. 17s. 9d.

The Chairman thought the Association might be congratulated upon the admirable beginning it had made, and moved that the report and accounts be adopted, which was seconded by the Rev. H. A. Cockey.

The Rev. C. W. H. Griffith, in reference to the report, said he had thought it desirable that the objects of the Association should be set forth in it, so that when it was circulated among the various parishes of the diocese the work in hand might be better known and understood.

The resolution was then adopted.

The Rev. C. W. H. Griffith was unanimously re-elected Master, and Mr. Rupert Lewis, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer—the Chairman bearing testimony to the obligation they were under to Mr. Lewis for the pains and time he devoted to the furtherance of the Association in the diocese. The Rev. C. W. H. Griffith and Mr. Lewis briefly spoke in acknowledgment.

One or two matters affecting the welfare of the Association were briefly discussed, and several new members elected. An adjournment was then made to St. Mary's, Bathwick, where a special service was held. The prayers were read by the Rev. C. W. Griffith, and the lessons by Mr. Rupert Lewis and the Rev. H. A. Cockey. An appropriate sermon was preached by Prebendary Salmon.

The ringing subsequently done included a quarter-peal of 1260 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 45 mins., composed by George Hill. E. Wotton, 1; A. Melhuish, 2; W. Lewis, 3; J. Wotton (conductor), 4; H. Wotton, 5; J. Fussell, 6; H. W. Brown, 7; T. Hunt, 8. Also 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 27 mins. C. Bell, 8; G. Temple, 2; Rev. C. W. H. Griffith (conductor), 3; J. Wale, 4; J. Fussell, 5; H. W. Brown, 6.

Bridge-water was selected for the next district meeting.

The late Messrs. S. Smith and W. Jones.

On Friday evening, the 21st ult., the bells of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, London, were rung half-muffled (the usual whole-pull-and-stand) as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Mr. S. Smith, steeple-keeper of St. Margaret's, Westminster, and Mr. W. Jones, of Camberwell. Both were members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths for many years, and were highly respected.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Stephen's, Westminster, London.

On Saturday, the 22nd ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 9 mins. G. Lindoff (Chatham), 1; J. Willshire, 2; C. F. Winny (conductor), 3; J. M. Hayes, 4; W. Carter, 5; W. Haigh (Gillingham), 6; F. G. Newman, 7; S. How, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt.

At the Parish Church, Warnham, Sussex.

On Tuesday, the 25th ult., eight members of the Sussex County Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 45 mins. T. Branch, 1; T. Hogsflesh (first peal in the method with a bob-bell, also his birthday), 2; H. H. Chandler (conductor), 3; T. Andrews, 4; H. Buratow, 5; W. Short, 6; W. Charman, 7; W. Hooker, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Putney, Surrey.

On Wednesday, the 26th ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the All Saints' (Fulham) Society rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 59 mins. W. E. Garrard, 1; E. H. Adams,* 2; H. B. Paine,† 3; J. Nicholls,† 4; J. W. Driver, 5; C. F. Winny (conductor), 6; H. Kenten,* 7; W. Crockett (first peal), 8. Tenor, 16 cwt. The first peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES rung by members of the All Saints' (Fulham) Society. [* First peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES. † First peal in the method.]

At Merton College, Oxford.

On Wednesday, the 26th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 15 mins. A. Fox, 1; A. Dubber, 2; K. Payne, 3; W. Story,* 4; C. L. Routledge,* 5; C. Hounslow, 6; J. W. Washbrook (conductor), 7; A. Barney, 8. Tenor, 36 cwt. [* Newcastle-on-Tyne.]

At St. Andrew's, Steyning, Sussex.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., Thurstans' Original peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung in 2 hrs. 51 mins. J. Smart, 1; F. W. Harding* (Eastbourne), 2; W. B. Hills, 3; W. N. Holt, 4; G. Williams (conductor, Brighton), 5; C. Smart, 6; H. H. Chandler* (Warnham), 7; J. Matthews, 8. [* First peal in the method.]

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At ST. ALBANS.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. H. L. Waddington, 1; J. C. Mitchell (conductor), 2; R. Hammond, 3; R. Weatherley, 4; E. R. Mitchell, 5; W. H. L. Buckingham, 6; W. Battle, 7; G. Stebban, 8.

At THE CATHEDRAL CHURCH OF ST. PETER, LIVERPOOL.—On a Sunday, for afternoon service, 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. C. Williams, 1; J. Moore, 2; J. Brown, 3; J. Booth (first 500 in the method), 4; J. Martin, 5; R. Williams, 6; T. Hammond (conductor), 7; W. Williams (first 500 in the method), 8. For evening service, 560 BOB MAJOR. R. Williams, 1; C. Williams, 2; J. Moore, 3; J. Brown, 4; T. Hammond, 5; W. Booth, 6; J. Booth, 7; J.

Martin (conductor), 8. All belong to the Liverpool Branch of the Lancashire Association.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, SWANSCOMBE, KENT.—On a Monday, for practice, 720 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE. L. Digweed, 1; M. Digby, 2; F. Ring, 3; J. H. Cheesman (first 720 in the method with a bob-bell), 4; G. Hayes, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, BISHOP AUCKLAND.—On a Saturday, eight members of the Durham and Newcastle Association attempted a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, but after ringing 3840 changes, in 2 hrs. 8 mins., two bells changed course. G. Atkinson, 1; R. C. Hudson, 2; T. T. Gofton, 3; W. Holmes, 4; J. T. Bazzard, 5; E. T. Titt, 6; F. Charlton (South Church), 7; F. Harrison (conductor), 8.

At St. STEPHEN'S, WESTMINSTER, LONDON.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES in 46½ mins. C. F. Winny, 1; E. Duff, 2; W. Long, 3; J. Emery, 4; T. Harford (first in the method), 5; J. Willshire, 6; J. M. Hayes (conductor), 7; W. Cropley, 8. Messrs. Emery and Harford came from St. Mary Cray; W. Long, Birmingham.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, CHISLEHURST, KENT.—On a Monday, for practice, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR, with 6-8 covering, in 30 mins. G. Dickens,* 1; T. Durling (conductor), 2; E. Duff,* 3; I. Emery, 4; G. French, 5; W. Gutteridge, 6; T. Harford,* 7; N. French, 8. [* First 720 of GRANDSIRE MINOR.]

RECEIVED ALSO.—The Churchwardens of St. Mary's Parish Church, Lymm, Cheshire (next week); and others.

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CASE FOR THIS WEEK.

**CASE OF A LITTLE BOY—DISEASED LUNG AND
ATROPHY.**

In May of last year I received a letter from Mrs. Bird, of Dersingham, Norfolk, with statement of the case of her little son (now seven years old), with application for medicine and advice.

Here was Consumption inherited. The grandfather had died of that disease. In February the child had had inflammation of the right lung, which became chronic, and from that time he had a troublesome cough, the appetite had failed, he was sleepless and fretful, body much emaciated, back and ribs little but skin and bone.

After three months steady continuance with my treatment Mrs. Bird writes:—'I am glad to say the cough has quite gone, and he is generally improved.'

He continued improving. In the winter a fresh cold caused some little anxiety. Again the medicine, liniment, &c., were regularly used, and the symptoms were removed.

After this I had a letter, March 5th, of this year. Mrs. Bird writes:—'I am happy to say that my little boy is perfectly well now. I shall keep your medicine in the house to use at any moment of need.'

MR. CONGREVE'S Book 'On Consumption,' &c. may be had post free for **One Shilling** from Coombe Lodge, Peckham, London, S.E.

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tributes an interesting article on the 'Relation of the Cathedral to the Diocese.' The Rev. J. W. Reynolds, too, has some strong and bracing words on the subject of 'Personal Revelation.'

THE HOMILETIC MAGAZINE begins with two expositions by Mr. W. J. Deane, one on the Unpardonable Sin and the second on the Healing of the Man with the Dropsy—both worth reading. The Church's Year Sermons, by Dr. Davies, are likely to prove useful to the overworked or lazy clergy.

THE THEOLOGICAL MONTHLY opens with some very useful exegetical hints on the Old Testament by Canon Fausset, and contains also an interesting article on 'The Original Rechabites,' by Mr. E. M. Bowden, and the third part of Mr. E. Annville's discussion of the relations between Philosophy and Religion. The reviews of current literature are well done.

FRIENDLY WORK (Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co.) publishes the Bishop of Marlborough's address given in June at the G.F.S. Branch Secretaries' Conference. 'Penny Fiction' is a chatty review, by Christabel R. Coleridge, of some of the cheap stories which girls often read, well adapted to help them in making a wise choice as regards light literature. Amongst the 'Anniversary Notes' we are glad to see two important steps in the development of the Society's powers of usefulness: (1) the addition of 'Temperance' to the objects pursued, and (2) the extension of the Society's limits, enabling it to include married members.

FRIENDLY LEAVES (Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co.) contains good papers on 'Our Branch Festivals' and 'Reading and Writing for the Blind,' whilst 'It is not always May' forms a capital complete story.

THE G.F.S. ASSOCIATES' JOURNAL AND ADVERTISER gives a long and interesting account of the work in Ireland, and reprints a paper read at a recent Conference, on the Society's efforts for workhouse girls.

THE CHILD'S GUARDIAN (National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children) deals with the present aspect of 'Child Life Insurance,' comments on the case of cruelty proved against a Blackpool solicitor's wife, and fills several columns with sickening 'Sample Cases of the Month,' which, but for the Society's intervention, would probably never have been discovered. The punishments awarded, however, seem, as usual, miserably insufficient.

THE ZOOPHILIST is an excellent number. To all hospital subscribers we commend the 'special supplement,' with its four-page-long table of hospitals in connexion with which vivisection is practised.

IN addition to its usual well-known features, GREAT THOUGHTS contains portraits and biographies of President Harrison, Max Müller, H. D. Thoreau, Jean Ingelow, R. F. Horton; the conclusion of 'A Sunday Evening with the Sailors,' by the Countess of Meath; 'Impressions of the South of France,' by the Rev. W. J. Dawson. Dean Butcher contributes another instalment of his story, 'Fate against Faith.' A coloured plate, 'Windsor Castle,' is presented with the number.

THE FOREIGN CHURCH CHRONICLE AND REVIEW has a short, interesting paper on the late Padre Curci, and some other good reading.

THE CONTEMPORARY PULPIT for September includes one of Vaughan's delightful sermons to children. 'Lovest Thou Me?' is the subject, and he treats it as he alone can. 'It is a grand question,' he says, 'the grandest question that ever was asked in the world.' There is also a good 'Outline' by Dr. Dale on the Atonement.

ST. NICHOLAS is always good, and its illustrations generally pretty as well as good, but scarcely one of them this month would be called pretty. Boys will be interested in the chapter on 'Choosing a Boat.'

THE MISSIONARY REVIEW includes a 'Plea for Medical Missions,' by a doctor. The writer illustrates the fact that our Lord made His way to men's souls through their bodies.

THE YOUNG MAN for September has its usual complement of varied and interesting reading.

We are sorry to learn that the circulation of THE NET has decreased, and that Zululand finance is a somewhat anxious matter. We can strongly recommend a short account of the Zulu Mission, intended for children, but likely to interest adults, as given in the *Net* for this month. If we might give the editor a hint, we would suggest that the three pages of 'Missionary Finger-posts' should be otherwise filled next year, or perhaps earlier.

It will interest a great many to know that floors may be washed beautifully white, and paintwork cleaned, by using the 'IMPERIAL' Soft Soap, put up in tins and small casks, for household use and stable purposes. It is quite odorless. Be careful to see the words, 'IMPERIAL SOFT SOAP, manufactured by THE CHISWICK SOAP CO. LONDON,' on every package. Can be obtained of all Grocers, &c.—[Advt.]

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Bells of St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

IN answer to our correspondent (Mr. Meadow, Frog Lane, Wigan), the weight of the large bell ('Great Paul') is 16 tons 14 cwt. 2 qrs. 19 lbs. There is a ring of twelve bells in the north-west tower—tenor, 3 tons 2 cwt. (62 cwt.) A peal of 5014 STEDMAN CINQUES has been rung on them (two men ringing the tenor), occupying 4 hrs. 17 mins. The band are members of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and are the appointed ringers of the Cathedral. The bells are rung for Divine service every Sunday morning and afternoon.

The Lancashire Association.

ROCHDALE BRANCH.—A meeting of this branch was held at Christ Church, Healey, on Saturday, the 29th ult. 720 BOB MINOR were rung in 27 mins. W. Airey, 1; G. Hoyle, 2; E. Schofield, 3; J. Crossley (conductor), 4; R. E. Hoyle, 5; F. Birtwhistle, 6. Two other attempts were lost, one in the last two leads, with Mr. J. Gratix, of Manchester, on the third, the rest as before. At the meeting in the schools, Mr. G. Hoyle in the chair, it was passed that the next place of meeting be left with the Secretary, as the place fixed upon was not certain to be available on that day. The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks.

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

SAXMUNDHAM DISTRICT.—The sixth quarterly meeting of this district was held at Peasenhall on Saturday, September 5th, when twenty-four members attended from Aldeburgh, Leiston, Kelsale, Sweffling, Rendham, Sibton, and Peasenhall. The bells of Yoxford, Sibton, and Peasenhall, were most kindly placed at the disposal of the members, upon which various touches were rung in the GRANDSIRE, BOB MAJOR, and TREBLE BOB methods. The business meeting was held at 6.30, presided over by Mr. John Mills, when three performing members were enrolled. The Hon. Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, which included the annual reports, which were duly confirmed. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Kelsale on December 5th. A cordial vote of thanks was passed to the Rev. H. Parr, for the use of the Yoxford bells; to the Rev. W. Bromley, for the use of the Sibton bells; and to the Rev. A. S. Thompson, for the use of the Peasenhall bells, which brought to a close a successful and enjoyable meeting.

The Annual Holiday of the Newchurch (Lancashire) Ringers.

LATELY a meeting was held in the tower, the Rector presiding, to arrange about the holiday and to revise the rules. With respect to the rules, very slight alterations were made, as they had been found to work well so far. It was decided, however, that there should be added to Rule 4, which states that the ringers must attend Divine service at least twice a month, that they shall be expected to attend every Sunday. The holiday took place in due course. The company, consisting of ringers, wives, and friends, numbering twenty-four, set out in a wagonette and four at 6.35 a.m. The morning was cloudy and threatening. The route was through Whitewell Vale, Lumb, Water, Burnley, Padiham, and Reed, to Whalley, where they arrived at 9.10, having encountered a heavy shower on the way. A peep at the church, a good breakfast, fresh horses, and away through lovely country lanes and fields, with glimpses of the river Calder, past Stonyhurst and Ribchester to Preston. Here the party dined, and the ringers rang on the bells of the parish church. After a walk in the beautiful park and a stroll in the town, the return journey was begun. Blackburn was reached at 7.45 p.m., and again the unwearied ringers ascended to the bells. The parish church tower was already occupied, so they repaired to Holy Trinity, where they were allowed to ring by the kind permission of Dr. Moffatt, the Vicar. At 9.15 the party set forth once more, and passed through Blackburn, Accrington, and Haslingden, reaching Waterfoot at 11.15. All were delighted with their holiday, the weather having been beautiful from noon.

New Bells at Whitwick, Leicestershire.

THE bells of Whitwick Parish Church were rededicated on the 2nd inst. by the Bishop of Peterborough (Dr. Creighton). Four bells have been added to the old ones, making a ring of eight, which were 'opened' by the Ashby Parish Church Society of Change-ringers, under the direction of Mr. W. Liggins, the captain. At three o'clock the Bishop, Canon Beaumont, Canon Denton, the Vicar of Whitwick (the Rev. A. F. Tollemache), and other clergy assembled in the belfry, and the dedication service proceeded. The congregation were easily enabled to follow the order of service by means of printed forms. After it the beautifully toned bells rang out a short peal, listened to by the large congregation with evident pleasure. Evening prayer followed. The special psalms were xlvii., xcii., cl.; and the special lessons Josh. vi. 1-20; Rev. xiii. The Bishop was the preacher, taking his text from Ps. cxxii. 1—'I was glad when they said to me, Let us go into the House of the Lord.' In the course of the very practical sermon, his Lordship said that bells conveyed a message to those who never entered a church, and told them that prayer was being offered within the walls, and that there was still a ladder between Heaven and earth. The bells were of metal, and had no souls, but they proclaimed the spirit of the worshippers. If a church was a sermon in stone, the bells of the church were its tongue, and were a substitute for the old custom of proclaiming the hour of prayer by word of mouth, and asking them to 'go into the house of the Lord.' His Lordship gave kindly counsel, and the sermon was a pleasure to listen to. The last hymn—'O Lord of Heaven and earth and sea'—having been sung, the Bishop gave the blessing, and as the clergy retired the ringers rang a merry peal with that precision which characterises the well-practised ringers of Ashby, who were accompanied by Mr. H. G. W. Howe, their Hon. Secretary.

In the course of the evening the ringers gave several touches on the bells, which are finely toned, and certainly an acquisition to the grand old church.

The bells now dedicated are the successors to a very old ring believed to have been hung in the reign of Edward VI. In expectation the four old bells were taken down, the tenor having been tolled on the previous Saturday for the last time for the death of the Archbishop of York (Dr. Magee), better known in this district as the Bishop of Peterborough. The bells were sent away to Messrs. Taylor's foundry at Loughborough to be tuned, so as to ring in harmony with the four new bells. Messrs. Taylor undertook the work of constructing the new bells and retuning the old ones at a cost of 315*l.* 16*s.* Upon the four old bells are the following inscriptions:—On the two large bells are: 'IHS Nazarenos, Rex Judaeorum, Filie Dei, Misere mei, 1628.' On the second bell, 'Celorum Christe, Platiati tibi rex sonus iste, 1628.' On the first bell there is, 'God save the King, 1628.' The inscription on the two large bells is the same which appeared on the helmet on the effigy of a knight (Sir John Tacbott) in the north aisle of the church. The amount required was raised by voluntary subscriptions, and bells were given by Mr. Tollemache, Mr. Basil Taylor, Mrs. Dalby, and Mr. T. Jesson. Mr. W. Sheffield, Mr. G. Underwood, and Master Houghton gave bell-ropes.

The following are the particulars and the weights of the bells:—Treble bell (new), 4 cwt. 0 qr. 11 lbs.; 2nd, 4 cwt. 1 qr. 25 lbs.; 3rd, 5 cwt. 0 qr. 21 lbs.; 4th, 6 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lbs.; 5th (old), 6 cwt. 1 qr. 23 lbs.; 6th, 6 cwt. 3 qr. 18 lbs.; 7th, 9 cwt. 0 qr. 18 lbs.; 8th, 11 cwt. 3 qr. 12 lbs.—total, 54 cwt. 2 qr. 6 lbs. The treble bell had the inscription: 'Given by Thos. Jesson, of Ashby-de-la-Zouch, to the glory of God, and in memory of his ancestors and relatives, A.D. 1891.' The second bell bore the inscription: 'In memoriam, H. P. T., obit, A.D. 1890. d.d. A.T.B. A.D., 1890.' The third bell: 'In memoriam, T.E.T. obit, A.D. 1883. d.d. B.R.T., A.D. 1891.' Fourth bell: 'Given by Elizabeth Dalby, to the glory of God, and in memory of her parents and relatives. A.D. 1891.' A cast-iron plate in the belfry has the following: 'This peal was rehung, with four additional bells, A.D. 1891. Augustus F. Tollemache, vicar; Charles Burton, John Sharp, church-wardens.'

New Bells at St. Leonards, Sussex.

THE four bells for the tower of the Church of St. John-the-Evangelist, Upper St. Leonards, which have been cast by Messrs. Paccard, at Ancey, in the South of France, and are reported to be of exquisite tone, are about to be hung. Following a Continental fashion, they do not strike consecutive notes of the musical scale, but the four which form the major chord. The bells have been presented by one of the parishioners. A ring of bells was contemplated in 1883, when a faculty for building the nave, tower, and belfry was obtained. The cost of hanging the new bells will be defrayed by a friend.

Tubular Bells at Connah's Quay, Flintshire.

A RING of eight tubular bells, in the key of A flat (supplied by Messrs. Harrington, Latham, & Co., Coventry), have been presented to St. Mark's Church, Connah's Quay, by Charles Davison, Esq., high sheriff of the county, and were dedicated on Wednesday evening, September 2nd. The service used was that issued from *Church Bells* office, with the addition of the processional hymn, 'We love the place, O God,' the creed, and two lessons (Numb. x. 1-11 and John, ii. 13-18). An appropriate sermon was preached by the Rev. G. W. Petherick, rector of St. Bartholomew's, Salford, from Exod. xxviii. 34. During the afternoon the village was enlivened by many peals and tunes admirably rung by Messrs. Harrington's representative. He found two apt scholars connected with the church, who are quite prepared to chime on Sunday and other occasions.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Paulinus', Crayford, Kent.

On Friday, the 28th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association and the Society of Trinity Youths rang Parker's Five-part (No. 2) peal of 5040 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 48 mins. E. Barnett, 1; G. Conyard (conductor), 2; W. Axtell, 3; W. J. Sevier, 4; C. Wilkins, 5; F. J. Cullum,* 6; J. H. Cheeseman,* 7; H. Webb, 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt. [* First peal in the method.]

At the Parish Church, Aylesford, Kent.

On Saturday, the 29th ult., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Mr. G. Lindoff's peal of 5024 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 2 mins. G. Pawley,* 1; W. Taylor,* 2; G. Lindoff, 3; W. Easter, 4; W. Cooke, 5; W. Haigh, 6; A. C. West, 7; A. Palmer (conductor), 8. Tenor, 16 cwt. This is the first peal in the method on the bells. Mr. Taylor was elected a member of the Association previous to starting for the peal, and comes from Leiston, Suffolk; Messrs. Pawley, West, and Palmer, from Maidstone; the remainder from Gillingham. [* First peal in the method.]

At St. Michael's, Ashton-under-Lyne, Lancashire.

On Tuesday, the 1st inst., twelve members of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society rang a peal of 5015 GRANDSIRE CINQUES in 3 hrs. 41 mins. F. Brown,* 1; J. Hopwood, 2; S. Taylor,* 3; T. Wroe,* 4; S. Booth,* 5; T. Taylor, 6; W. Smith, 7; J. Thorp, 8; S. Andrew, 9; J. Adams, 10; S. Wood (composer and conductor), 11; A. Adams,* 12. Rung to celebrate the marriage of Mr. J. Longden, which had taken place the same day. [* First peal of CINQUES.]

At Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford.

On Tuesday, the 1st inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 STEPMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 18 mins. C. Hounslow, 1; P. A. Hind, 2; A. Fox,* 3; C. L. Routledge,* 4; W. Story,* 5; Rev. F. E.

Robinson, 6; J. W. Washbrook (composer and conductor), 7; A. Barney, 8. Tenor, 40 cwt. The composition is new, and is now rung for the first time. The ringers of the 4th and 5th bells came from Newcastle-on-Tyne. [* First peal in the method.]

At St. Paul's, Bedford.

On Thursday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Beds Association of Change-ringers rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 12 mins. W. Johnstone, 1; S. J. Cullip, 2; F. Sharpe, 3; E. Coleman, 4; I. Hills, 5; H. Sharpe, 6; C. W. Clarke (conductor), 7; F. Keech, 8. Tenor, 27 cwt., in D.

At St. Andrew Litchurch, Derby.

On Sunday morning, the 6th inst., the ringers of the above church arranged to honour the completion of the reredos, but owing to absentees were unable to do so: several touches of changes for Divine service were rung. For evening service, 720 PLAIN BOB MINOR with two covers. W. Shardlow, 1; T. Alton, 2; C. Hart, 3; S. Maskrey, 4; C. Draper, 5; T. Allbutt, 6; J. W. Thompson (conductor), 7; J. Dent, 8. Tenor, 21 cwt., in E flat.

At St. SAVIOUR'S, BATH.—On Thursday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Bath and Wells Association of Change-ringers rang a quarter-peal of BOB TRIPLES (1260 changes) in 42 mins. R. Lewis, 1; C. Goodenough, 2; A. Wilcox, 3; C. Bell, 4; H. Mills, 5; J. Fussell, 6; H. W. Brown (conductor), 7; W. A. Gully, 8.

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BRONCHIAL ASTHMA—CASE AT MALMESBURY.

It is four years now since Mr. B. first wrote me relative to his case. He had then suffered for three years. Just before writing me he had the severe attack which completely laid him by.

These attacks commenced with sore-throat first, which then extended to the chest, causing acute dyspnoea, so bad at night that he could not sleep.

The patient's mother had died of bronchitis.

He was recommended to me by a lady at Brompton, and by Mr. Tucker, of Faringdon, who had both known the remarkable benefits attending my cases and the use of my medicine.

The patient continued my treatment through that year and part of the next. I may mention that during that time he came to Combe Lodge. In September, 1888, he writes me:—'I got so well that I discontinued the medicine for six months. I have unfortunately contracted fresh cold, and will commence again with what had done me so much good.' This he did, and speedily every symptom disappeared.

I heard recently from a brother of his when writing on behalf of one to whom he had recommended my medicine, and he says:—'My brother, who derived such great benefit from your treatment, continues in perfect health.'

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.—Members are requested to attend the meeting at St. Saviour's on Tuesday next, the 22nd inst., at 8.45 p.m., when the question of the Anniversary Dinner will be brought forward, and to elect a dinner committee. All further communications respecting this Society (until further notice) should now be addressed, The Ancient Society of College Youths, 'King's Head,' Winchester Street, Borough Market, S.E.

RICHARD T. WOODLEY, *Hon. Sec.*

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE monthly meeting of the Guild will be held at Crosby on Saturday, September 26th. Bells open at three p.m.; meeting at six p.m.

REV. W. T. BULFIT, } *Hon. Secretaries.*
W. BENTHAM, }

The Lancashire Association.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN BRANCH.—The usual ringing meeting of this branch was held at the Parish Church, Garston, on Saturday, September 5th. Ringers attended from Liverpool, Halewood, Grassendale, and Southport, besides the local company. In the unavoidable absence of the Vicar (Dr. Oliver) the Rev. J. Shaw, M.A. (curate), presided. After the minutes of the last meeting were read and passed, the reverend Chairman gave a very interesting account of bells and their uses, and in the name of the Vicar offered all a hearty welcome at all times to Garston. He also spoke in the highest terms of their excellent steeple-keeper, Mr. Gough. It was proposed and carried that the next meeting be held at West Derby (six-bell tower) on the first Saturday in November. Votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicar for the use of the bells and Institute, the reverend Chairman for presiding, and Mr. Gough for having everything ready. Touches of TREBLE BOB, BOB MINOR, and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, were rung during the evening.

ROSENDALE BRANCH.—The first monthly meeting of this branch for the ensuing year was held at Ramsbottom on Saturday, September 5th. Members were present from Newchurch, Ramsbottom, Helmsore, and Rawtinstall. The Vicar (the Rev. W. H. Corbould) kindly provided tea (free); after which a meeting was held, presided over by the Vicar, supported by the Rev. C. Higson and Mr. H. H. Nutter. The Chairman gave them a hearty welcome to his tower, and was sorry a greater number were not present. Mr. J. Rollerson, 13 Railway Terrace, Rawtinstall, was elected Branch Secretary in place of Mr. J. Shepherd, resigned. Votes of thanks were passed to the Vicar for presiding and providing tea, to the Wardens for the use of the bells, and to Mr. Shepherd for his services during the past year.

The Worcestershire and Adjoining Districts Change-ringing Association.

On Saturday, the 12th inst., a committee and quarterly meeting of this Association was held in St. Leonard's Schoolroom, Clent, when a good number of ringers from Areley Kings, Clent, Cradley, Dudley, Hagley, Kidderminster, Lye, Netherton, Old Hill, Stourbridge, Tipton, West Bromwich, Wollaston, and Worcester, presented themselves. The Rev. F. R. Lawson (vicar), presided, supported by the Rev. W. C. Gibbs, rector of Hagley; Mr. Spittle, Master; and Mr. Smith, Hon. Secretary. During the course of the usual business, the Hon. Secretary proposed, and the Rev. W. C. Gibbs seconded, 'that no business meeting be held until January, 1892,' but suggested that ringing meetings be held at various centres in the meantime. On the motion of the Master, seconded by Mr. W. Micklewright, it was unanimously agreed that the suggestion be adopted, and arrangements made to carry out the same. The usual vote of thanks to the reverend gentleman for presiding, and for the use of the schoolroom, tower, and bells, brought the meeting to a close.

The tower of St. John's, Hagley (eight bells) was visited by some of the members, and touches of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, &c., were rung, and 360 KENT TREBLE BOB, 720 BOB MINOR, and other short touches, were rung upon the six bells of St. Leonard's, Clent. Courses of GRANDSIRE CATERS and TRIPLES were rung on the handbells.

Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Society of Church Bell-ringers.

On Saturday, August 29th, thirty-seven members of the above Society journeyed to Leicester, and spent a most enjoyable time in ringing on the famous old ring of ten at St. Margaret's, and the modern rings of eight at St. Mark's, St. Saviour's, and St. Mary's. Hugh Watts, a member of an ancient Leicester bell-founding family, who cast the old back six bells at St. Margaret's (1633), the third, seventh, and tenor at Wellingborough (1620-39), the tenor and other bells at Higham Ferrers (1633), and many more beautiful bells, still in existence in the Midlands, lies buried in St. Mary's Church. He died in the year 1643. His epitaph as given by Mr. North is as follows:—'Here lieth the body of Hugh Watts, the Elder, Gent, sometime Mayor and Alderman of this Corporation, who deceased in the 61 year of his age. An. Dni., 1643.' Bands of ringers from Raunds, Kettering, Wellingborough, Rushden, Higham Ferrers, and Earls Barton, handled the ropes by turns during the day. The arrangements made by the various steeple-keepers, and by the Hon. Secretary of the Association, the Rev. Hugh Bryan, were so excellently carried out that everything passed off pleasantly. All the bells made use of were in good going order. Many of the members spent some time in inspecting the various churches, the public park, and other points of interest in the town, under the able guidance of Mr. S. Millis, of St. Margaret's.

The best thanks of the Association are due to the Rev. A. M. Rendell, the Rev. Canon Broughton, the Rev. J. N. B. Woodroffe, and the Rev. J. E. Stocks for the use of their bells.

The principal rings of bells in Leicester are as follows:—St. Margaret's (ten bells), tenor, 30 cwt.; St. Martin's (ten bells), tenor, 21 cwt.; St. Mary's (eight bells), tenor, 18 cwt.; St. Saviour's (eight bells), tenor, 26 cwt.; St. Mark's (eight bells), tenor, 24 cwt.

New Bells for the Parish Church of Lymm, Cheshire.

A YEAR ago the Bishop of Chester dedicated the handsome tower of this church, which has been rebuilt under the direction of Mr. J. S. Crowther, the well-known architect of Manchester Cathedral. A ring of eight bells has now been hung, and dedicated (in the unavoidable absence of the Bishop) by Archdeacon Barber, of Chester, on Saturday, the 12th inst. The bells are from the foundry of Messrs. John Taylor & Co., Loughborough, and are every way worthy of the high reputation of this firm.

The following are their respective weights and notes:—1st, 6 cwt. 0 qr. 20 lbs., note D; 2nd, 6 cwt. 2 qr. 23 lbs., note C sharp; 3rd, 7 cwt. 2 qr. 10 lbs., note B; 4th, 9 cwt. 3 qr. 6 lbs., note A; 5th, 12 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lbs., note G; 6th, 14 cwt. 0 qr. 14 lbs., note F sharp; 7th, 19 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lbs., note E; 8th, 29 cwt. 3 qr. 8 lbs., note D.

These bells take the place of six which hung in the old tower, which, having become unsafe, had to be entirely demolished. Four of the oldest bells have been incorporated in the new ring, three of the remaining four being special gifts, whilst the fourth, being a magnificent tenor weighing a ton and a half, forms a most appropriate memorial to the late Mr. and Mrs. Battersby, of Lymm Hall.

The inscriptions *verbatim et literatim* on the four old bells have very properly been reproduced, whilst the other four bear inscriptions suitable to their origin. Each, however, in addition, bears on the crown the opening words of a canticle, so that the ring may be known as the 'Eight Canticles.' This was thought to be more suitable to the sacred uses of the bells than much of the doggerel often found upon church bells. The inscriptions in full run as follows:—

No. 1. 'Venite exultemus Domino, Curâ Ricardi Rowlinson: et Petri Steele: Ecclesiae Guard: 1703.' Recast 1891.

No. 2. 'Cantate Domino Canticum Novum. The gift of Jno. Gandy, junr.' Recast at the expense of this Parish 1817.' Recast 1891.

No. 3. 'Deus misereatur nostri et benedicat nobis. In dear memory of John Wright Parkinson, Churchwarden 1865-1872.' Given by his widow, A.D. 1891.

No. 4. 'Te Deum Laudamus. To the Glory of God, a thank-offering of William and Charlotte Bayley, on their Silver Wedding 1864: October 1899.'

No. 5. 'Magnificat anima mea Dominum. Joannes Leigh, Gen.: Semper intersit populo Britanno Anna Regina.' Recast 1891.

No. 6. 'Jubilate Deo omnis terra, Floreat Ecclesia legibus sancita, Georgius Leigh de Oughtrington, Gen.: Ectoniae Henricus Penn Feicit.' Recast 1891.

No. 7. 'Benedicite omnia opera Domini Domino. For the Honour of God, and the use of Lymm Church, this Bell was given by George Churnley Dewhurst of Beechwood, 1891.'

No. 8. 'Nunc dimittis servum tuum Domine in pace. In Memoriam William Battersby of Lymm Hall and Sarah Emmeline, his wife. The parishioners raised this Bell as a tribute of their Esteem, A.D. 1891.'

Besides the bells, and in order to complete the furnishing of the tower, a parishioner has presented the church with a turret clock by Potts of Leeds, constructed to the specification given by Lord Grimthorpe, and chiming the Westminster quarters. It bears the following inscription:—'To the Glory of God, this clock was given to the Parish Church, Lymm, by Laura Caroline Fox. A.D. 1891. Pereunt et imputantur.'

Death of the Oldest Change-ringer in Leicester.

On Monday evening, the 7th inst., by kind permission of the Vicar of St. Margaret's, the following members of the Midland Counties' Association of Change-ringers ascended St. Margaret's tower and attempted a muffled peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, containing 5111 changes, to the memory of the late Mr. Thomas Langham, who was interred in the Leicester cemetery the same day, but after ringing nearly 4500 changes a mistake took place, and the peal was lost. The ringers were:—G. Burrows, 1; J. Jarvis, 2; S. Cooper, 3; J. Needham, 4; W. P. Cooper, 5; J. Buttery (conductor), 6; J. Cooper, 7; S. Cotton, 8; J. Marlow, 9; W. Walker, 10. The deceased had been connected with St. Margaret's Church for upwards of sixty years, and rang his first peal in the year 1828. His next performance was at the opening of St. Mary's Church bells in March, 1831, which he followed by ringing at St. Margaret's his favourite method of GRANDSIRE CATERS, containing 5507 changes, in 3 hrs. 32 mins. In 1842 he rang a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES at Loughborough, which was conducted by Mr. Christopher Morley; and in 1848 he achieved his greatest performance on St. Margaret's bells by ringing 6012 changes in the GRANDSIRE method in 4 hrs. 3 mins., the longest peal yet rung in Leicester during the present century. He was afterwards appointed Instructor in the art, and held that post for nearly forty years. He was appointed steeple-keeper at St. George's Church in 1857 on the opening of the new ring of six bells, and resigned some fourteen years ago through failing health. The last peals he took part in were:—5130 at St. Margaret's, 1868; 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR at St. Mary's, and his final peal at the same church in 1872. The octogenarian received a place in Trinity Hospital by help of the Rev. Canon Broughton, vicar of St. Mary's, fourteen years ago. Muffled peals were also rung at St. Mary's and St. George's Churches to the memory of one so well known, and who was in his eighty-seventh year.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Michael's, Minehead, Somerset.

ON Tuesday, the 1st inst., eight members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association rang the Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-part (No. 2) peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 1 min. J. Hunt, 1; T. Elliott, 2; G. Atkins, 3; J. Pugsley, 4; W. W. Thorne, 5; W. W. Thrush, 6; J. Grabham (conductor), 7; J. Payne, 8.

At Christ Church, Southgate, London.

ON Saturday, the 5th inst., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and the Middlesex Association rang Dains' peal of 1520 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 18 mins. A. Jacob, 1; B. Foskett, 2; C. Tucker,* 3; F. Carroway,* 4; J. Barber, 5; C. H. Martin, 6; W. Short, 7; G. Newton (conductor), 8. Tenor, 25 cwt. This composition, which is now rung for the first time, is thought to be on a new plan, and has the 4th, 5th, and 6th the extent in 5-6, without the 2nd bell being in 6th's place at a course-end. [* First peal in the method.]

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Foxearth, Essex.

ON Saturday, the 5th inst., eight members of the Essex Association rang T. Day's peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. S. Sillitoe (conductor), 1; Z. Slater, 2; C. Adams, 3; C. Herbert (first peal in any method), 4; S. Evans (first peal in the method), 5; S. Slater, 6; G. Maxim, 7; W. P. Gridley, 8. Tenor, 8½ cwt. The above composition, in three parts, has the 6th at home the last two course-ends in each part. Messrs. Slater and Adams came from Glemsford; Maxim, Cavendish; Herbert, Woburn, Beds; Sillitoe, Sudbury; Evans and Gridley, Foxearth.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Whitwick, Leicestershire.

ON Sunday, the 6th inst., by the following members of the Midland Counties' Association, a peal of Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 48 mins. W. A. Taylor, 1; W. E. Tydeman, 2; R. Lane, 3; A. E. Matthews, 4; J. Smith, 5; E. Reader, 6; J. W. Taylor, jun. (conductor), 7; S. Smith, 8. Tenor, 11 cwt. 3 qrs. 12 lbs., in F. The first peal on the bells, which were dedicated on Wednesday, the 2nd inst., by the Bishop of Peterborough.

At the Cathedral, Llandaff.

ON Thursday, the 10th inst., at the Cathedral Church of Llandaff, was rung a peal in the difficult method known as STEDMAN TRIPLES. This was accomplished by a band of ringers, all of whom belong to the Ancient Society of College Youths (founded in 1537), and the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Change-ringers (founded in 1878). The peal was Thurstans', comprising 5040 changes, being the extent possible on seven bells, and was rung without intermission or repetition in 3 hrs. 4 mins. The ringers were as follows:—E. E. Bewick (Gloucester), 1; A. Roberts (Chepstow), 2; F. E. Hart (Gloucester), 3; F. E. Dawe (London), 4; F. E. Ward (Newport), 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson (Drayton, Berks), 6; H. L. James (Gloucester), 7; G. Watts (Chepstow), 8. Tenor, 22 cwt. Conducted by Mr. Dawe. An attempt was made for the peal at Whitsuntide last, but without success. The result, however, on Thursday was in every way satisfactory.

At the Parish Church, Erith, Kent.

ON Saturday, the 12th inst., 5024 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 4 mins. by the following members of the Kent County Association:—G. Conyard, 1; E. Barnett, 2; F. Cullum, 3; J. Emery,* 4; C. Wilkins,* 5; J. H. Cheesman, 6; W. Harper, 7; W. J. Sevier (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 18½ cwt. [* First peal of MAJOR.]

At Christ Church, Aughton, near Ormskirk, Lancashire.

ON Saturday, September 12th, eight members belonging to the Aughton and Southport Branches of the Liverpool Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5120 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 11 mins. W. Fairclough,* 1; Joseph Rimmer, 2; D. E. Rimmer, 3; T. Fielding, 4; W. Bentham,* 5; C. Sharples,* 6; James Rimmer, 7; J. W. Rimmer, 8. Composed by Henry J. Tucker, and conducted by D. E. Rimmer. The above is the first peal of BOB MAJOR rung by the Guild, also the first peal of BOB MAJOR rung on the bells. [* First peal in the method.]

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, NEWCHURCH, LANCASHIRE.—ON a Sunday, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 12 mins. J. Taylor, 1; S. Lord, 2; J. Ashworth, 3; L. Taylor, 4; J. Shepherd (conductor), 5; W. Taylor, 6; J. S. Wright, 7; J. Diver, 8. Also on a Monday, a half-peal of 2520 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 1 hr. 32 mins. J. Lord, 1; S. Lord, 2; J. Ashworth, 3; L. Taylor, 4; W. Taylor, 5; J. Shepherd (conductor), 6; J. T. Wright, 7; J. Diver, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, HENDON.—ON a Sunday, for Divine service, 720 BOB MINOR (forty-two singles). H. Martin, 1; H. J. Martin, 2; B. C. Pratchett, 3; C. Tucker, 4; C. H. Martin (conductor), 5; C. Crampton, 6. Also on a Friday, 720 CANTERBURY PLEASURE MINOR, being the first on handbells by the Middlesex Association. C. Tucker, 1-2; C. H. Martin (conductor), 3-4; F. Carroway, 5-6. On a Monday, 720 BOB MINOR (nine bobs and six singles). B. C. Pratchett, 1-2; C. H. Martin (conductor), 3-4; C. Tucker, 5-6.

AT ST. MARTIN'S, SALISBURY.—ON a Saturday, 1260 STEDMAN TRIPLES. W. S. Wise (conductor), 1; S. Macey, 2; A. W. Searle, 3; R. W. J. Gollop, 4; C. H. Watts, 5; W. W. Gifford, 6; W. Greenleaf, 7; C. A. Clements, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, WITNESHAM, SUFFOLK.—ON a Sunday, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. W. Flory, 1; S. Wightman, jun., 2; G. Wightman, 3; A. S. Wightman (conductor), 4; S. Wightman, sen., 5; S. W. Martin, 6. Also 360 BOB MINOR and 120 KENT TREBLE BOB. J. Durrant, 1; G. Sadler, 2; T. Sadler, 3; G. Pyett, 4; A. S. Wightman (conductor), 5; G. Wightman, 6.

AT ST. LAURENCE'S, READING, BERKS.—ON a Sunday, for Divine service, 1080 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 47 mins. C. Giles, 1; W. Holloway, 2; C. Foxell, 3; J. Potter, 4; J. F. Tarrant, 5; F. Hopwood, 6; W. Goseltine, 7; W. J. Williams, 8; W. Newell (conductor), 9; W. Routh, Esq., 10.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, BUSHEY, HERTS.—ON a Thursday, for practice, 1554 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 50 mins. G. Hunt, 1; E. E. Huntley, 2; F. Edwards, 3; A. Pates, 4; H. G. Rowe (Aldenham, 21st birthday), 5; E. P. Debenham (St. Albans, conductor), 6; W. Oakley, 7; W. Atkins, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, NORTHMOOR, OXFORD.—ON a Sunday evening, after Divine service, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR. C. Trinder (Northmoor), 1; J. Trinder (Stanton Harcourt), 2; C. Allen (Stanton Harcourt), 3; F. White (conductor, Appleton), 4; H. Woodwards (Appleton), 5; H. Walters (Northmoor), 6. Tenor, 11 cwt.

AT ST. PAUL'S, CLAPTON PARK, LONDON.—ON a Wednesday, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 26 mins. W. Burkin (conductor), 1; J. Pettit, 2; W. B. Manning, 3; F. Nunn, 4; G. J. Smith, 5; A. S. Barrell, 6. Also 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR in 26½ mins., being the first in the method on the bells. W. Burkin, 1; J. Pettit, 2; W. B. Manning, 3; A. S. Barrell, 4; G. J. Smith, 5; W. D. Smith (conductor), 6.

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CHRONIC INFLAMMATION OF THE LUNGS AND
PLEURA—WITH INCIPIENT PHTHISIS.

This patient (Mr. S. of Athenry, Co. Galway) was introduced to me in July 1890, by Mrs. French, of Monivea Castle, Athenry, who kindly interested herself much in the case.

For more or less he had suffered for five years from acute pains in the left side, brought on in the first instance by a severe cold. In the course of time this told upon him—more so in the first half of last year (before I first heard of him), part of which time he had been confined to his bed. He soon realized much relief from my medicine; my prescription for liniment also proved of great value in his case. The chest became stronger the symptoms of Consumption gradually disappeared.

I received a letter from him, dated April 11th of the present year, in which he says:—'I am now enjoying excellent health. I never thought I should be relieved of these severe pains that were such constant companions of mine for so long, but now, thank God, I have not the slightest pain. I also suffered terribly with my chest, but I am entirely relieved of all the symptoms. Thanks for your good medicine (I cannot say too much in its praise) and for your kind letter of advice.'

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PRAYER-HEALING. Thoughts on St. James, v. 14-16. By Rev. R. G. Ambrose, rector of St. Michael's, Kingston, Jamaica. (London: James Nisbet & Co., 1890. 1s. 6d.)—'Prayer offered up in a right spirit will save the sick, not necessarily his body, but certainly his soul. It behoves us, therefore to pray, for by so doing the Name of God will be glorified.' A general discussion of the necessity of prayer drawn out from the consideration of the special cases mentioned by St. James.

THE GLORIOUS LAND. Short Chapters on China and Missionary Work there. By the Ven. Arthur E. Moule, D.D., archdeacon in Mid-China. With Map and Illustrations. (London: C.M.S. 1891. 1s.)—Archdeacon Moule writes these short chapters to emphasise two appeals recently made; the one for a thousand new workers to be sent within the next five years to China; the other one specially addressed to the C.M.S. to send a thousand new labourers speedily into all heathen and Mahomedan lands, of which he asserts that China claims the largest share. His little book consists of a brief description of the land, some account of the Great Rebellion and its results, and of the work already going on in the mission field there. The book is interestingly and earnestly written.

FLORAL DECORATIONS. Suggestions and descriptions by Mrs. De Salis. (London: Longmans, Green & Co. 1891. 1s. 6d.)—The present generation has moved very rapidly in its love for, and use of, flowers. But their use might be much improved, and Mrs. De Salis has written a very charming little book dealing with their use on the table, in the ball-room, the house-boat, the drawing-room, the church, besides hints on special decorations for christenings, weddings, Christmas home decoration, &c. Her suggestions are marked by taste and sound common sense, and, if followed, would save many a feeling of inappropriateness, especially in the church.

HOW TO MARK YOUR BIBLE. By Mrs. Stephen Menzies. Prefatory Notes by D. L. Moody. Third Edition. (London: S. W. Partridge & Co. 1891. 2s.)—Mrs. Menzies' idea is good, but her mode of carrying it out not so. Her 'railways' mostly lead to mere verbal coincidences, which are often misleading. Moreover, we question the wisdom of using a Bible so marked. The unmarked passages are liable to be overlooked, or, if all are marked, the book is unusable.

A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO THE FORMATION AND MANAGEMENT OF DISTRICT AND PAROCHIAL BRANCHES OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND TEMPERANCE SOCIETY. By the Rev. T. Dixon Spain, Diocesan Organizing Secretary, Bath and Wells. New Edition. Revised and Rewritten. (London: C.E.T.S. 1s. 6d.)—Contains all that needs to be known in order to start and keep going a branch of the C.E.T.S. Given workers who will follow out the hints here given, and the work must succeed.

THE SCOTTISH EPISCOPAL CHURCH DIOCESAN MAP OF SCOTLAND. By J. Bartholomew. (Edinburgh: St. Giles' Printing Company. 1891. 1s.)—An admirable map, giving, besides the dioceses, a complete index to all churches and mission chapels in Scotland, and plans of Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen, Perth, Inverness, and Grief. Likely to be of great use to tourists as well as to our Scottish Episcopal brethren.

MAGAZINES.

THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS is a very interesting number this month. Mr. Stead's article on T. R. Lowell is alone well worth the money, and is admirably illustrated. There is also given an excellent portrait of Mr. William Watson, the new poet.

THE RELIGIOUS REVIEW OF REVIEWS gives us an illustrated account of the Holy Coat, a character-sketch of the new Bishop of Lichfield, and the usual summary of the month's theological literature. Its Church news is not very accurate, nor up to date, as, e.g., when it says that Mr. Stewart (Stuart it should be) of St. James's, Holloway, is mentioned as Dr. Forrest's successor at St. Jude's. We announced the name of the new vicar some weeks ago, and have good grounds for stating that Mr. E. A. Stuart was never a probable successor to the new Dean of Worcester.

THE INDIAN CHURCH QUARTERLY REVIEW contains a paper by the late Bishop French on 'The Moslem in Arabia and North Africa,' in which he gives a sketch of what appeared to him the chief features and phases of the imminent struggle between the Crescent and the Cross. The Rev. T. Pelham Dale writes on 'Design in Redemption,' and the Archdeacon of Calcutta contributes an interesting article on 'Assam as a Mission Field.' The remainder of the contents include several very valuable and interesting articles, to which we regret we have not space to refer in detail. The magazine is one of the highest class.

The issue of **GREAT THOUGHTS** for the 3rd October will contain a portrait of Archdeacon Farrar, with interview, and the opening chapters of a new serial story, 'Lapsed, but not Lost,' by the authoress of *Chronicles of the Schönberg-Cotta Family*. With this number will be given a handsome coloured plate entitled 'The Three Graces.'

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change-ringers.

At the monthly meeting of the Bath district, held at St. Saviour's Church on Monday, the 14th inst., there was rung a touch of 252 BOB TRIPLES—H. Wyburn, 1; Rupert Lewis, 2; A. Willcox, 3; W. Eames, 4; A. Melhuish, 5; C. Goodenough, 6; J. Fussell (conductor), 7; F. G. Beesley, 8. A touch of 252 BOB TRIPLES—W. Wale, 1; R. Lewis, 2; A. Willcox, 3; C. Goodenough, 4; J. Fussell, 5; A. Melhuish, 6; C. Bell (conductor), 7; W. A. Gully, 8. A touch of 280 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES—H. Wyburn, 1; C. Goodenough, 2; G. Hill (conductor), 3; C. Bell, 4; A. Melhuish, 5; J. Higgs, 6; J. Fussell, 7; W. Wale, 8. A touch of 1380 BOB TRIPLES was rung on Thursday, the 17th of September, at St. Saviour's, in 45 mins. R. Lewis, 1; C. Goodenough, 2; A. Willcox, 3; C. Bell, 4; H. E. Mills, 5; J. Fussell, 6; H. W. Brown (conductor), 7; W. A. Gully, 8.

Essex Association of Change-ringers.

A MEETING of the above will be held on Saturday, October 3rd, at West Ham Parish Church in connexion with the reopening of the bells after re-hanging. The towers of West Ham (ten bells) and Holy Trinity, Barking Road (six bells), will be open for ringing all day. A short service will be held in the Parish Church at 5 p.m. Tea at the Church Hall at 5.30 p.m., to be followed by business meeting. Members requiring reduced fares by G. E. R. must send notice to the Association Secretary not later than Michaelmas Day. HENRY T. W. EYRE, Association Secretary.

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CONSUMPTION—CASE OF A YOUNG LADY IN NORTH WALES.

The mother of this patient, writing me from Glenfield, Altrincham, Cheshire, in October last, requested me to send medicine to her daughter, Miss C. E. GILPIN, at Plas-y-coed, near Wrexham, together with such advice as I might think necessary. I did so.

The patient was a teacher and her age 17. Chest disease had been manifest in the family (her father's side). She had been always delicate, and for two months her strength had failed. There was a hacking cough, periodical dyspnoea, palpitations, wasting of flesh, and increasing weakness. Medical report, 'Consumption, first stage.'

In one month the mother reports a general improvement. By January she was able to discontinue medicine, except occasional doses. Mrs. G. writes:—'By taking your valuable medicine my daughter has benefited so much that she is better than she ever was in her life.'

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

THE next quarterly meeting of this Society will be held on Saturday, October 3rd (to-morrow), at Wombourn. Ringing at 2.30 p.m. Tea at six o'clock, one shilling per head. Arrangements will be made for a brake to leave the High-level Station at Wolverhampton at two p.m. for all those who send in their names, at one shilling per head, to S. REEVES, *Hon. Sec.*
10 Bull Street, West Bromwich.

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.

ON Friday, the 18th ult., at the Society's headquarters, 54 St. Martin's Lane, London, W.C., the election of officers for the ensuing year took place, the result being that Mr. George Newson (Master), and Mr. William Baron (Senior Treasurer), are retained in their respective offices. Mr. A. Jacob was elected Secretary; Mr. F. Pitts, Senior Steward; and Mr. W. Baron, jun., Junior Steward. A. JACOB, *Hon. Secretary.*

St. Michael's Juniors, Gloucester.

LATELY, on a Monday, the anniversary meeting of the above Society was held in the vestry of St. Michael's Church. The Treasurer read the report for the year, which was considered very satisfactory, several new members having been made. The following is a list of peals rung during the year:—GRANDSIRE CATERS, 1; KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 1; OXFORD TREBLE BOB, 1; seven MINOR methods, 1; five MINOR methods, 1; DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5; STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1: total, 11. This was considered a very creditable record for so small a company, comprising as it does one peal of CATERS, three different MAJOR methods, STEDMAN TRIPLES, and seven MINOR methods, four of which had never previously been rung by the Diocesan Association. Various attempts have been made for a peal of DUFFIELD MAJOR, but so far unsuccessfully. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year.—Master, W. C. Jones; Vice-Master, G. S. Brunson; Hon. Secretary, A. Roberts; Hon. Treasurer, S. E. Romans. A vote of thanks to the retiring officers brought the meeting to a close.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Stephen's, Westminster, London.

ON Saturday, the 19th ult., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 8 mins. S. J. Reed, 1; E. Duff, 2; J. N. Oxborrow, 3; T. R. Bell, 4; J. Willshire (first peal as conductor and birthday), 5; H. R. Newton, 6; H. S. Ellis, 7; W. Carter, 8.

At the Parish Church, Hughenden, Bucks.

ON Saturday, the 19th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild; rang a Variation of Thurstan's peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 47 mins. S. F. Goodchild, 1; H. Biggs, 2; H. Stratford, 3; J. Evans, 4; A. W. Tubb, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson (conductor), 6; R. Biggs, 7; Jos. Evans, 8. Tenor, 12 cwt.

At the Parish Church, Arundel, Sussex.

ON Monday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Sussex County Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 45 mins. D. Baker (first peal), 1; G. Balchin, 2; J. George (Rugby), 3; G. Baker, 4; C. Blackman, 5; F. Luxford, 6; G. Williams (conductor, Brighton), 7; A. Mills, 8. Tenor, 14½ cwt.

At St. James's, Clerkenwell, London.

ON Monday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Royal Cumberland Society rang a peal of 5040 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 9 mins. W. F. Meads (first peal of MAJOR), 1; B. Foskett, 2; C. H. Martin (composer), 3; C. W. Tucker, 4; J. Barry (first peal in the method), 5; E. T. Eldridge, 6; W. Short (conductor), 7; J. Barber, 8. Tenor, 22 cwt. This composition, which has the 2nd never in 6th's place at course-ends, is now rung for the first time, and on the 100th anniversary of the opening of the bells, with a peal of 5120 BOB MAJOR by the Cumberlands.

At St. Michael and All Angels', Ashton-under-Lyne.

ON Tuesday, the 22nd ult., ten members of the Ashton-under-Lyne Society rang C. H. Hattersley's peal of 5079 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 30 mins. S. Taylor, 1; J. Hopwood, 2; W. Smith, 3; T. Taylor, 4; G. Longden, 5; J. Thorp, 6; J. Adams, 7; B. Broadbent, 8; S. Wood (conductor), 9; A. Adams, 10. Tenor, 27 cwt., in D.

At St. Peter's, Fareham, Hampshire.

ON Wednesday, the 23rd ult., eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 42 mins. A. Coghlan, 1; J. W. Whiting (conductor, birthday), 2; F. Hill, 3; J. Staples, 4; F. Privett, 5; J. George, 6; G. W. Grafham, 7; T. Groves, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. J. Staples came from Havant; George, Rugby; Groves, Eastleigh.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, NORTON FITZWARREN, SOMERSET.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, on the occasion of the Harvest Thanksgiving, a peal of GRANDSIRE MINOR in 26 mins. J. Creed, 1; R. Crossman, 2; H. J. Creed, 3; J. Burge, 4; H. Chipland, 5; J. Maddox (conductor), 6.

AT ST. JOHN'S, PETERBOROUGH.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 20 mins. C. W. Holdich,* 1; W. H. Fussell (conductor), 2; F. V. Sinkins, 3; E. F. Read, 4; S. English, 5; T. Measures, 6; W. Johnson, 7; R. Squires, 8. Tenor, 28 cwt., in C. The first three ringers are members of the Royal Cumberland Society, Mr. Holdich being one of its oldest country members.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, GREAT STANMORE, HERTS.—On a Thursday, after the Harvest Thanksgiving, six peals (120) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, each called differently. N. Alderman (London), 1; E. Heading (conductor), 2; W. Bidmeade, 3; G. Moxom, 4; A. Horrod, 5; W. C. Cheshire, 6.

AT HORBURY, YORKSHIRE.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, 720 VIOLET TREBLE BOB. A. Yelland, 1; G. Horner, 2; G. Hunt, 3; H. Rowley (conductor), 4; G. F. Pickles, 5; R. Thickett, 6. First in the method by all except the second man.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, BROMLEY, KENT.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 41 mins. W. Fright, 1; F. Sanders, 2; J. Emery, 3; P. Harman, 4; G. Durling (composer and conductor), 5; T. Harford, 6; W. Smith, 7; W. James, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, WARNHAM, SUSSEX.—On a Sunday, an attempt was made for a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, but after ringing 54 mins. it finished. T. Andrews, 1; W. Short, 2; C. Clear, 3; C. Hills, 4; R. Jordan, 5; F. W. Rice (conductor), 6; J. Parker, 7; E. Jordan, 8. For evening service, 1120 in the same method in 36 mins. W. Short, 1; C. Hills, 2; C. Clear, 3; E. Jordan, 4; R. Jordan, 5; F. Rice, 6; J. Parker (conductor), 7; H. H. Chandler, 8.

AT OLD WINDSOR, BERKS.—Handbell-ringing.—On a Monday, six peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. T. E. Harwood, Esq. (first peal double-handed), 1-2; G. Stanbrook (conductor), 3-4; J. Guttridge, 5-6. And for practice, 336 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. T. E. Harwood, Esq., 1; G. Williams, 2; G. Stanbrook, 3; F. Tindal, 4; T. Gosling, 5; R. Flaxman (conductor), 6; J. Guttridge, 7; F. Guttridge, 8. Also two courses of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. F. Harwood, Esq., 1-2; G. Stanbrook, 3-4; R. Flaxman, 5-6; J. Guttridge, 7-8.

RECEIVED ALSO:—S. Reeves (thanks; your letter did not arrive till Wednesday night; all communications must arrive, at the latest, on Wednesday morning); J. George; and others.

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I think it well now and then to refer to some *old cases* and recent letters from old patients, showing that their

RECOVERY WAS PERMANENT.

Here are two:—

Mr. JOHN DAVIES, of Rose Hill, Menai Bridge, Anglesea (whose case appeared in this paper among the series of weekly cases—March, 1888), writing about a neighbour who (he says) 'is finding great good from your medicine,' speaking of himself, writes:—'I am very glad to inform you that I am still enjoying good health.'

This case was 'BRONCHITIS of LONG STANDING, and LEFT LUNG DISEASED.'

Miss ROSCOW (now Mrs. THWAITES) was a patient of mine in 1882. Her case ('CONSUMPTION, both lungs diseased') appeared in the Appendix of my book—No. LXL, page 23. In the year 1883, writing me, she said: 'By the blessing of God your medicine was the means of saving my life.'

In a recent letter, dated April 17, writing me on behalf of a relative, she says: 'I have no faith in anything but your treatment for this case.' She also says, 'Nearly ten years ago I was a patient of yours—when living at Kendal—and recovered by means of your medicine. I am now married and have two children.'

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Hertfordshire Association.

A DISTRICT MEETING will be held at Hitchin on Saturday, October 17th. By kind permission of the Rector, the tower will be open for ringing from 3 p.m. Tea at five o'clock at the Coffee Tavern. Cheap tickets on the Great Northern line. Members intending to be present will kindly inform me not later than Wednesday, the 14th inst. E. P. DEBENHAM, *Hon. Sec.*
St. Albans, October 6th, 1891.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

ON Saturday, September 26th, the monthly meeting of the Guild was held at Crosby, when there was a good attendance of members. Ringing commenced about three p.m., several touches of GRANDSIRE and BOB and TREBLE BOB MINOR being rung, when by the kind invitation of Captain and Mrs. Green the ringers sat down to an excellent meat tea; after which, Captain Green presided at the business meeting, being supported by the Rev. R. Love, W. T. Bulpit, and Messrs. J. Martin, Gregson, &c. The Chairman then addressed the ringers, and spoke of the good and useful work being done by the Guild. The Rev. W. T. Bulpit mentioned that since the last meeting a grant of 2*l.* had been made out of the Benevolent Fund to the widow and children of a late member of the Guild, and read a letter from the widow thanking them for their kindness and sympathy. Various items of interest were discussed, and several practical suggestions made by Mr. Martin, after which five honorary and two performing members were elected. The usual vote of thanks brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

The Lancashire Association of Six-bell Ringers.

LATELY, the usual quarterly meeting was held at Standish, on a Saturday. Members attended from Blackrod, Chorley, St. James's and St. Andrew's, Leyland, Preston, St. Mark's, Penwortham, and Standish. The methods rung were LONDON SINGLE BOB and BOB MINOR. Mr. G. Higson presided, and after the minutes of the last meeting had been passed, St. Andrew's, Leyland, was selected for the next quarterly meeting. The meeting closed with the usual votes of thanks to the Chairman, Rector, and ringers, for the use of the bells.

The Bells of Quedgeley, Gloucestershire.

A SPECIAL dedication service of the bells of the parish church of Quedgeley, near Gloucester, was held on September 22nd. Last Whitsun week the old ring of six were taken down and retuned, and fitted with new clappers, framework, and girders. Besides this, two new small bells were added, so as to complete the ring of eight. No doubt it would have been best to have followed the advice of Lord Grimthorpe, and added a new treble and tenor; but the tower was too small to admit of this being done with safety. As it is, the two new bells now hang with the old third bell above the rest of the peal. The service was the special form, so suitable for such occasions, issued by our office. The prayers were read by the Rector (Rev. E. L. Bryans), the lesson by the Rural Dean (Rev. E. C. Scobell), and the sermon, which was full of most interesting bell lore, by the Dean of Gloucester. After partaking of a substantial meal at the Rectory, the ringers (from St. Michael's, Gloucester), set themselves the task of ringing a full peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. This they did not quite accomplish; but, nothing daunted, they successfully repeated their efforts the following week. In due time, it is hoped, the village of Quedgeley will produce an efficient band of ringers, now the bells are in thorough order. The work was entrusted to Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, and carried out in a highly satisfactory manner.

On Wednesday evening, September 30th, eight members of St. Michael's, Gloucester, Junior Society rang Mr. J. Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 56 mins. W. T. Bennett, 1; W. H. Brunson, 2; T. Brown, 3; E. B. James, 4; W. C. Jones, 5; J. Austin (conductor), 6; E. E. Bewick, 7; A. Roberts, 8. This is the first peal ever rung on these bells.

[We congratulate the people of Quedgeley on not having followed Lord Grimthorpe's plan. Where there is a good ring of six it cannot but be unwise to chop it up for the sake of a problematical ring of eight. Lord Grimthorpe's advice on bells, as on many other subjects, is generally to be avoided.—Ed. C.B.]

The Jubilee Memorial at Beetham, Westmoreland.

LAST year we recorded the dedication of three new bells and Cambridge chimes in this ancient church. Lately, at evensong, on the Harvest Festival and Patronal Feast, the new oak screen to the belfry tower was unveiled by Mrs. Frith-Hudson, the Archdeacon of Furness saying a suitable prayer of dedication. As this completed the 'Jubilee Memorial,' 'God save the Queen' was sung. On the eve of the festival two statuettes of SS. Michael and Gabriel were placed in niches in the porch. They came from the studio of Mr. Boulton, Cheltenham, and were the gift of the High Sheriff (J. H. Argles, Esq.), Lady Bective, with other ladies, subscribed to that of the Angel of the Annunciation. They are both exquisitely beautiful.

A Visit to Lancashire, Hampshire, Sussex, &c.

DURING the last fortnight of September, the writer has had a most enjoyable holiday, having visited various churches in Lancashire, Hampshire, and Sussex, and desires, through the medium of *Church Bells*, to thank Messrs. Eachus, of Manchester; R. Hill, of Southport; J. W. Whiting, of Fareham; G. Garland, of Steyning; George Williams, of Brighton, and others, for the arrangements so kindly made. Seven peals were attempted, four of which came to a successful issue. GRANDSIRE CATERS was attempted at the Cathedral, Manchester, but came to an end after 2 hrs. 7 mins. BOB

MAJOR was attempted at Southport, but came to an end after ringing 1 hr. 30 mins. STEEDMAN TRIPLES were attempted at Steyning, but ringing only lasted 35 mins. The writer also paid a visit to Blackpool, Portsmouth, the Isle of Wight, and Brighton.—JAMES GEORGE, *Rugby.*

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Mary's, Mortlake, Surrey.

ON Monday, the 28th ult., eight members of the All Saints' Society, Fulham, rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. W. Meaton,* 1; W. H. Rowland (first peal with a bob-bell), 2; J. G. Green, 3; W. E. Garrard, 4; H. Kenten, 5; J. W. Driver (conductor), 6; G. Woodiss, 7; G. Roberts,* 8. Tenor, 16 cwt. [* First peal.]

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

ON Saturday, the 3rd inst., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths (being also members of the Fulham Society) rang a peal of 5579 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 28 mins. J. W. Driver (fiftieth peal), 1; W. H. Rowland, 2; W. T. Cockerill, 3; J. C. Green, 4; J. Nicholls, 5; W. Bumpstead, 6; E. H. Adams, 7; H. Kenten, 8; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 9; S. How, 10. This peal is the composition of Mr. J. Tebbs, of Leeds, and contains the sixty 8-9's and the sixty 9-7-8's.

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As stated last week, I think it well occasionally to refer to some old cases and recent letters from old patients, showing that the recoveries have been

PERMANENT AND SURE.

Here are two more (two were given last week):—

Mrs. LEONARD WOOD, of Regent Street, Stoke-on-Trent, was under my treatment for two years (about twelve years ago) and recovered. The case was *complicated and very critical*, and was pronounced to be 'A VERY REMARKABLE CASE.'

I was very pleased to hear from her recently (May 4). She occasionally takes my medicine whenever any little cough appears, and tells me that nothing does her such good.

The reader will find this case in the first part of my book (not the 'Appendix'), No. CVII., page 57, and is urged to note it well as it is one of the most interesting of the series.

Mr. MARSHALL A. PEARSON, of 138 High Street, Boston, Linc., whose case appeared in this journal in February, 1888, writing me for a relative recently (April 16), says: 'From my own experience I feel sure you will do him good. I am most happy to inform you that my own health has continued excellent, and this is due to your treatment alone, by God's blessing.'

The case was one of DECIDED DISEASE of the RIGHT LUNG, and was very critical.

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to see God in everything, there must always be some danger of our seeing Him in nothing. A will that is large enough to embrace the universe must be invisible while self, in its terrible nearness, rises above the height of our eyes. There is no escape from the difficulty except by escape from self. But when we have exchanged the poverty of self for the wealth of God; when, in the humility which is the consciousness of the infinity of Love, all our littleness has disappeared, the difficulty will have vanished too.

BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Society of Church Bell-ringers.

THE next Quarterly Meeting will be held at Raunds on Saturday, October 24th, at 2.30 p.m. Business meeting in schoolroom at 4 p.m.

HUGH BRYAN, *Hon. Sec.*

The Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

THE Quarterly Meeting in connexion with this Society was held on Saturday, the 3rd inst., at Wombourn, when there met in the fine old church representatives from the following places: Perry Barr, Handsworth, Wolverhampton, Walsall, Darlaston, Tipton, West Bromwich, Penn, Willenhall, Coseley, Brierley Hill, and Dudley. Ringing commenced about four p.m. with a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, after which a touch of STEDMAN TRIPLES was brought round. A short service was held at five p.m., and an address given by the Vicar of Wombourn, who is an honorary member of the Society, after which a committee meeting was held in the vestry, the Rev. J. R. Keble presiding. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, three new members were elected, and the next quarterly meeting fixed to be held at Handsworth early in January, 1892. Tea was served in the schoolroom, kindly lent for that purpose by the Vicar, who presided. When finished, a vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for his address, to Mr. Cartwright for his kindness in superintending the arrangements of the day, and to the ladies for so kindly attending to the wants of the visitors.

Reopening of the Bells of Marwood, North Devon.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 7th, was a red-letter day in the history of the parish of Marwood, as the fine old bells, cast in 1771 by Thomas Bilbie, of Collumpton (tenor, 16 cwt., in F), were then formally reopened after many years of silence. The treble had been cracked, and altogether their condition was dangerous even for chiming. However, the parishioners put their shoulders to the wheel, with the result that they now possess one of the finest rings of six in North Devon. The cracked bell has been recast very successfully by Messrs. Warner, while the work of rehangng was entrusted to Mr. H. Stokes, of Woodbury, and a right good job he has made of it, the new frame, fittings, beams, and floors showing thorough workmanship, while the 'go' of the bells leaves nothing to be desired. The Ilfracombe ringers represented the Diocesan Guild, and their splendid striking called forth the admiration of all present. The services during the day were as follows: Holy Communion at 8 a.m.; matins at 11 a.m., when the bells were rededicated, with an address by Canon Trefusis; evensong at 6.30 p.m.

Some old Devonshire Ringers.

THE funeral of the late Mr. William Tremlett, of Broadclyst, an old ringer, took place on Tuesday last week. The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. Sub-Dean Acland (Vicar). At the conclusion of the service a knell was rung. During a long lifetime spent in the parish Mr. Tremlett had won the respect and esteem of all who knew him. For upwards of forty years he was the leading member of the Broadclyst Band of Ringers, and will be remembered in many parishes of the county, the band having won several valuable prizes in open competition in bygone years. Of late, however, increasing age has compelled a cessation of active participation in ringing, and Mr. Tremlett's decease has caused the third breach in the band this year through death, the other two being George Skinner, whose age was seventy-four, and Thomas Broom, aged eighty-five years. When last the six members rang a peal together their combined ages exceeded 500 years. The remaining members are George Harris, aged seventy-four, who still handles the ropes on all notable occasions in the Exeter Cathedral belfry, John Skinner, and William Mogridge, the latter, however, being quite incapacitated from further service.

The late First Lord of the Treasury, Mr. W. H. Smith.

ON Saturday, the 10th inst., at St. Clement Danes, Strand, London, after the Rector (the Rev. J. J. Pennington) had delivered an address, the parochial ringers, by order of the Churchwardens (Messrs. Twining and Dobree), rang a muffled peal to the memory of Mr. Smith. Haworth, Langdon, Chew, Weatherstone, Combe, French, Hasted, Cockerill, Coxhead and Albone.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Peter's, Belgrave, Leicestershire.

ON Monday, the 28th ult., Taylor's Bob-and-Single peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rang in 2 hrs. 56 mins. by the following persons:—J. Smith, 1; A. Ballard,* 2; S. Cotton, 3; E. Smith,* 4; W. Miller,* 5; J. Pole (first peal as conductor), 6; S. Pole, 7; W. Bennett, 8. [* First peal.]

At St. Martin's, Tipton, Staffordshire.

THE Harvest Festival being held on Tuesday, the 29th ult., members of the Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the Worcester and Adjoining Districts Association from Birmingham, Netherton, West Bromwich, Dudley, Darlaston, and Tipton, assembled to take part in the ringing at the above church. Before evening service touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES were rung by the following:—L. Hares, E. Woodhall, E. Cashmire, W. R. Small (conductor), S. Smith, F. Goodman, E. Goodreds, A. Spittle, S. Spittle, W. Micklewright, and A. H. Hill. After service 756 STEDMAN TRIPLES. W. R. Small, 1; T. Horton, 2; H. Mills, 3; L. Goodman, 4; W. Micklewright, 5; S. Spittle, 6; S. Reeves (conductor), 7; L. Hares, 8. Also a course of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR.

Also on Sunday, the 4th inst., before morning service, 720 PLAIN BOB MINOR in 27 mins. A. H. Hill, 1; W. H. Godden, 2; E. Goodreds, 3; W. R. Small, 4; H. Mills, 5; L. Smith (conductor), 6. Also some STEDMAN DOUBLES and KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. Before evening service 518 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES by W. R. Small, E. Cashmire, E. Goodreds, W. Micklewright (conductor), A. H. Hill, H. Mills, W. Smith, and J. Foster. 252 STEDMAN TRIPLES by W. R. Small (conductor), W. H. Godden, E. Goodreds, W. Micklewright, A. H. Hill, H. Mills, W. Smith and E. Unitt. 448 BOB MAJOR. A. Spittle, 1; W. H. Godden, 2; E. Goodreds, 3; H. Mills, 4; A. H. Hill, 5; W. R. Small, 6; W. Micklewright (conductor), 7; John Smith, 8. After evening service, was rung 560 BOB MAJOR. A. Spittle, 1; W. R. Small, 2; W. H. Godden, 3; H. Mills, 4; A. H. Hill, 5; E. Goodreds, 6; W. Micklewright (conductor), 7; John Smith, 8.

ON Monday evening, the 5th inst., 720 BOB MINOR in 27½ mins. A. Spittle, 1; A. H. Hill, 2; W. Micklewright (conductor), 3; H. Mills, 4; L. Goodman, 5; W. R. Small, 6. Also 360 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. A. H. Hill, 1; H. Mills, 2; L. Goodman, 3; E. Goodred, 4; W. Micklewright, 5; W. R. Small (conductor), 6. Tenor, 12 cwt. 25 lbs.

At St. Mary's, Lewisham, Kent.

ON Tuesday, the 29th ult., nine members of the Society of Trinity Youths rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 52 mins. G. H. Daynes, 1; J. Rose, 2; F. Rumens, 3; H. Warnett, 4; F. W. Thornton, 5; J. E. Davis, 6; W. Bedwell (conductor), 7; H. Barrett and T. Chandler (first peal), 8. Tenor, 22 cwt. It was rung on the occasion of the Hon. and Rev. Canon Legge, late vicar of Lewisham, being consecrated Lord Bishop of Lichfield.

At St. Michael and All Angels', Basingstoke, Hants.

ON Tuesday, the 29th ult., eight members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 49 mins. J. Staple (Havant), 1; J. W. Whiting (Fareham), 2; F. Wilson, 3; T. Curtis, 4; J. Ballard, 5; J. R. Higgins, 6; H. White (conductor), 7; A. Knight, 8. Tenor, 16½ cwt.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Putney, London.

ON Wednesday, the 30th ult., eight members of the All Saints' Society, Fulham, rang Holt's original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 43 mins. W. Meaton, 1; W. E. Garrard, 2; J. G. Green, 3; J. W. Driver (conductor), 4; W. Bumpstead (Eye, Suffolk, first peal with a bob-bell), 5; E. H. Adams, 6; H. Kenten, 7; G. Roberts, 8. Tenor, 16 cwt. 25 lbs.

At the Parish Church, Erith, Kent.

ON Friday, the 2nd inst., a peal of 5088 CANTERBURY MAJOR in 3 hrs. 1 min. G. Cullum, 1; E. Barnett (composer and conductor), 2; H. Gibbs, 3; F. Cullum, 4; C. Wilkins, 5; G. Conyard, 6; J. H. Cheesman, 7; W. J. Sevier, 8. Also on Friday, the 9th inst., a peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 3 mins. F. Cullum (first peal in the method), 1; W. Bedwell, 2; H. Gibbs, 3; C. Wilkins, 4; J. Conyard, 5; W. J. Sevier, 6; E. Barnett, 7; J. H. Cheesman (conductor), 8. Tenor, 18 cwt.

At All Saints', Maidenhead, Berks.

ON Saturday, the 3rd inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. Rev. R. P. Newhouse, 1; W. E. Yates, 2; G. H. Wilkins, 3; F. Bisley, 4; J. J. Parker, 5; J. Richardson, 6; J. W. Wilkins (conductor), 7; E. Keeley, 8. Tenor, 17½ cwt. The new Rector, the Rev. H. C. Wilder, having been inducted to the Rectory of Farnham Royal on Friday, October 2nd, the above was rung as a welcome to the neighbourhood.

At the Parish Church, Newchurch, Lancashire.

ON Monday, the 5th inst., eight members of the Lancashire Association rang a Bob-and-Single peal of 5010 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. J. Taylor, 1; S. Lord (first peal and first attempt), 2; J. Ashworth, 3; L. Taylor, 4; W. Taylor, 5; J. Shepherd (composer and conductor), 6; J. S. Wright, 7; J. Diver, 8.

At the Parish Church, Hatfield, Herts.

ON Tuesday, the 6th inst., eight members of the Hertfordshire Association and the Hatfield College Youths rang a peal of 5040 BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 8 mins. W. J. Richardson, 1; A. Shepherd, 2; J. Shepherd, 3; W. G. Powers, 4; E. P. Debenham, 5; J. Kentish, 6; W. Short (conductor), 7; W. Barber, 8. Tenor, 28 cwt. The first peal of MAJOR on the bells since 1786; also the first peal of MAJOR by the first, second, third, fourth, and sixth ringers. Messrs. Short and Barber came from London, and were made members of the Association before starting.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 872.

At Christ Church, Southgate, London.

ON Monday, the 5th inst., eight members of the Essex Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 8 mins. W. Meads, 1; W. Short, 2; H. Bowell, 3; F. G. Newman (conductor), 4; A. Bowell, 5; J. Barber, 6; E. T. Edridge, 7; H. Chapman, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt., in D. Messrs. Short and Chapman were elected members of the Association.

At St. Martin's, Birmingham.

ON Tuesday, the 6th inst., twelve members of the St. Martin's Guild rang the late Mr. Johnson's peal of 5005 STEDMAN CINQUES in 3 hrs. 40 mins. W. Kent, 1; T. Miller, 2; T. Reynolds, 3; H. Bastable (conductor), 4; C. Dickens (first peal of CINQUES), 5; B. Witchell, 6; N. J. Pitstow, 7; Jos. Griffin, 8; H. Johnson, 9; T. Holmes (first peal of CINQUES with a bob-bell), 10; W. Wakley, 11; J. Buffery, 12. Tenor, 36 cwt., in C. This composition contains the first fourteen courses with the large bells in the ordinary Titium position, and the last twenty-four courses with the large bells at home at hand-stroke. Rung for the first time. Messrs. Griffin, Holmes, and Wakley, came from Burton; Pitstow, Saffron Walden.

At St. Mary Magdalene's, Woolwich, Kent.

ON Saturday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Kent County Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. F. H. Steward (first peal), 1; E. E. Richards (conductor), 2; H. Hill, 3; W. G. Grove, 4; F. W. Thornton, 5; B. J. Sheldon, 6; H. Harvey, 7; W. Forman, 8. Tenor, 13 cwt.

At the Parish Church, Dartford, Kent.

ON a Tuesday, eight members of the Kent County Association rang Taylor's Bob-and-Single peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 53 mins. E. Everson (first peal), 1; J. H. Cheesman, 2; G. Conyard, 3; E. Barnett, 4; F. Cullum, 5; F. French (conductor), 6; W. J. Sevier, 7; E. Daines, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt., in E flat.

At the Parish Church, Cliffe, Kent.

ON a Saturday, a peal of 5024 CANTERBURY MAJOR in 2 hrs. 56 mins. J. Tibbs, 1; F. Cullum, 2; W. J. Sevier, 3; G. Conyard, 4; E. Barnett (composer and conductor), 5; F. French, 6; W. Bedwell, 7; J. H. Cheesman, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt., in E flat. First peal of MAJOR on the bells.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT ROMFORD, ESSEX.—*Handbell-ringing.*—On Saturday, the 26th ult., a Date Touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung with bells retained in hand in 1 hr. 5 mins. by the following members of the Society of Cumberland Youths and the Essex Association:—W. Doran, 1-2; G. Pearl, 3-4; A. J. Perkins (conductor), 5-6; W. Nash, 7-8. Composed by Mr. Wilde, Landiacre. Largest length double-handed by all the band, and was rung at the third attempt.

AT St. SAVIOUR'S, BATH.—On Sunday, the 11th inst., for the harvest thanksgiving service, a quarter-peal of 1260 BOB TRIPLES in 48 mins. by the following members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change-ringers:—R. Tylee, 1; R. Lewis, 2; A. Willcox, 3; C. Goodenough, 4; C. Bell, 5; J. Fussell, 6; H. W. Brown (conductor), 7; W. A. Gully, 8. Also, after evening service, a quarter-peal of BOB TRIPLES in 41½ mins. R. Lewis, 1; C. Goodenough, 2; A. Willcox, 3; C. Bell, 4; H. E. Mills, 5; J. Fussell, 6; H. W. Brown (conductor), 7; W. A. Gully, 8.

AT St. PAUL'S, BRIGHTON, SUSSEX.—On a Thursday evening, 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. G. Williams (conductor), 1; E. C. Merritt, 2; H. Rann, 3; W. Palmer, 4; P. Allfrey, 5; J. George, 6; F. Harding, 7; W. Allfrey, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, SWANSCOMBE.—On a Sunday, for Divine service in the morning, 720 BOB MINOR. A. Fuller, 1; W. Clifford, 2; F. Ring, 3; L. Digweed, 4; J. Brown, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6. And for evening service 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. W. Clifford, 1; L. Digweed, 2; G. Hayes (conductor), 3; J. Brown, 4; M. Digby, 5; W. Martin, 6. On a Monday evening, for practice, 720 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE. L. Digweed, 1; M. Digby, 2; F. Ring, 3; J. H. Cheesman, 4; W. Martin, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6. First 720 in the method by all the ringers, and first by the Kent County Association.

AT HATFIELD, HERTS.—On a Sunday, for Divine service, 252 BOB TRIPLES, J. T. Kentish, 1; W. G. Powers, 2; J. Shepherd, 3; H. Shepherd, 4; J. W. Richardson, 5; A. Shepherd, 6; J. Kentish (conductor), 7; H. Tharby, 8. And 1844 BOB MAJOR. J. Shepherd, 1; W. Short (conductor), 2; W. G. Powers, 3; S. Knight, 4; J. Barber, 5; M. Ellesmere, 6; W. J. Richardson, 7; J. Kentish, 8. Also 210 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES and a course of STEDMAN TRIPLES. Messrs. Short and Barber came from Wood Green, Knight and Ellsmore from Hertford.

AT MILTON, NEAR GRAVESEND.—On a Sunday evening, 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR was rung, with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Rector of Gravesend, the Rev. R. Joynes. G. Butler, 1; W. H. Royston, 2; R. Munn, 3; B. Spinner, 4; J. Smith, 5; F. Hayes (conductor), 6.

RECEIVED ALSO.—S. Reeves (it did not arrive in time for last week); E. E. Richards; Hereford Diocesan Guild (the announcement would be too late for this week—send a Report for next week); and others.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE next meeting of the Guild will be held at Upholland, on Saturday, October 31st. Bells open at 3 p.m.; meeting at 6 p.m.

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The Chester Diocesan Guild.

MACCLESFIELD BRANCH.—The twelfth Quarterly Meeting of the above branch was held at Poynton on Saturday, October 10th, when twenty-four members attended from Macclesfield, Bollington, Poynton, and Prestbury. Members began to assemble soon after three o'clock, and a touch of GRANDSIRE MINOR was rung by the Bollington Company, followed by a touch of BOB MINOR (twelve singles) by five of the Poynton band, with the Secretary of the Branch (W. Walmsley). Tea was provided at five o'clock in the parish schoolroom, presided over by the Vicar (Rev. Thomas Bridge), who was supported by Mr. Churchwarden Everett. After tea, the minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed, and Macclesfield was selected for the next place of meeting on the 16th of January, 1892. Other matters were then disposed of, and a vote of thanks being accorded to the reverend Chairman for his hearty welcome and the use of the bells and schoolroom, the meeting ended. On returning to the tower it was found that the Northenden ringers had put in an appearance, and they were at once sent to tea in the schoolroom. With the Secretary's assistance three peals of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES were rung by five of the Prestbury company, and others, in which Messrs. J. and T. Minshull and W. E. Blackwell took part. A course of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was also rung on handbells.

The North Notts Association.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., the members of the above Association held their Quarterly Meeting at Bawtry. About forty members attended, the following towers being represented:—Anston, Bawtry, Blyth, Everton, East and West Retford, Harthill, Shireoaks, and Worksop. After tea the business meeting followed, Mr. Haigh, of Retford, being voted to the chair, and it was resolved that the next meeting be held at Harthill on the 16th January. A vote of thanks was passed to the Vicar for placing the bells at the disposal of the members. The Bawtry members rang 720 BOB MINOR in 25½ mins., and this was the only peal rung during the day, other attempts proving unsuccessful.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Peter's, Sudbury, Suffolk.

THE LATE FIRST LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., the Sudbury Company of Ringers rang half-muffled peals as a mark of respect to the Right Hon. W. H. Smith. Before evening service a touch of 818 BOB MAJOR was rung. W. Cross, 1; M. Silvester, 2; W. Howell, jun., 3; J. Campin, 4; W. Bacon, 5; A. Scott, 6; W. Howell, sen., 7; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 8. Also after service a touch of 576 BOB MAJOR. And on Sunday evening the bells were again rung half-muffled with a touch of 576 BOB MAJOR before service, and a touch of 672 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES after service. W. Cross, 1; M. Silvester, 2; W. Howell, jun., 3; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 4; J. Campin, 5; A. Scott, 6; W. Howell, sen., 7; H. Brackett, 8.

At Tonbridge, Kent.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths (also members of the Kent County Association) rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. F. G. Newman (conductor), 1; T. Mannering, 2; W. E. Pope, 3; C. F. Winny, 4; E. Pope, 5; A. C. West, 6; A. Palmer, 7; G. Rabbit, 8. Tenor, 21 cwt. The first peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

At St. Peter's, St. Albans, Herts.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., ten members of the Herts Association rang a peal of 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 12 mins. E. Hull, 1; J. C. Mitchell, 2; G. W. Cartmel, 3; W. H. L. Buckingham, 4; E. R. Mitchell, 5; J. E. Randal,* 6; W. Battle, 7; H. Weston, 8; T. Waller, 9; W. T. Waller,* 10. Composed by the late J. Cox, and conducted by W. H. L. Buckingham. Mr. Weston came from Brighton, and was elected a member of the Association before the commencement of the peal.

At All Saints', Carshalton, Surrey.

On Monday, the 12th inst., eight members of the Surrey Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. J. Wignell, 1; E. Bennett (conductor), 2; R. Sewell, 3; E. Matthews, 4; E. Walker, 5; J. Plowman, 6; F. Holder, 7; W. Morley, 8. Tenor, 12 cwt.

At St. Helen's, Cliffe-at-Hoo, Kent.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Kent County Association and the Society of Trinity Youths rang a peal of 5024 CANTERBURY MAJOR in 2 hrs. 56 mins. H. Warnett (first peal of MAJOR), 1; F. Cullum, 2; W. J. Sevier, 3; G. Conyard, 4; E. Barnett (composer and conductor), 5; F. French, 6; W. Bedwell, 7; J. H. Cheesman, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. The ringers wish to thank the Rector for permission to ring on this and other occasions. Messrs. Wornett and Bedwell belong to Lewisham; Cullum, Erith; Sevier, Woolwich; Conyard, Barnett, and French, Crayford; Cheesman, Greenhithe.

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At St. Peter's, Caversham, Reading.

On Saturday, the 10th inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild (St. Peter's Society) rang H. Johnson's peal of 5040 BOB TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 42 mins. E. Menday (first peal), 1; T. Newman, 2; Jos. Hands, 3; G. Essex, 4; A. W. Pike, 5; H. Smith, 6; E. W. Menday (first peal as conductor), 7; H. Simmonds, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells.

At St. Nicholas', Chislehurst, Kent.

On Monday, the 12th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 46 mins. G. Dickens,* 1; T. Durling, 2; E. Duff, 3; I. Emery,* 4; G. W. French, 5; J. Willshire (conductor), 6; W. J. Smith, 7; W. Gutteridge, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt. Messrs. Dickens, Smith, and Gutteridge, were elected members of the Society previous to starting. Messrs. Duff and Willshire came from London; Smith and Emery, St. Mary Cray; the rest belong to Chislehurst. [*First peal.]

At the Parish Church, Wigan, Lancashire.

On Thursday, the 15th inst., Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 3 hrs. 9½ mins. G. B. Walker, 1; C. C. Turner, 2; J. E. Gummerson (first peal as conductor), 3; G. Turner, 4; J. F. Hall, 5; S. Hall, 6; R. Fisher and J. Barker, 7; A. Shaw and J. Meadow, 8. Tenor, 28 cwt., in C. The peal was witnessed and certified as correct by Thomas Halliwell, tutor.

At Barrow-on-Humber.—Muffled Peal.

On Friday, the 16th, and on Sunday, the 18th inst., the ringers of Barrow rang a muffled peal before each service in memory of the late Mr. George Charles Uppley, of the Hall, Barrow. The deceased gentleman was the son of the Rev. George Uppley, late vicar of Barton, and was much respected. The ringers were: H. Edwards, 1; J. Percival, 2; H. E. Dannatt, 3; A. Allison, 4; J. Bilton, 5; J. Pratt, 6. Tenor, 20 cwt.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

On Saturday, the 17th inst., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5006 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 13 mins. C. F. Winny, 1; H. R. Newton, 2; W. E. Garrard, 3; W. H. L. Buckingham, 4; F. G. Newman, 5; F. L. Davies, 6; E. Adams, 7; W. Battle (St. Albans), 8; W. T. Cockerill, 9; J. W. Driver, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt. Conducted by F. G. Newman.

At Leeds, Kent.

RECENTLY, ten members of the Kent County Association rang a peal of 5006 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 9 mins. C. F. Winny, 1; A. Palmer, 2; F. G. Newman, 3; G. King, 4; R. Edwards, 5; W. E. Pope, 6; A. C. West, 7; F. J. French, 8; E. Pope, 9; W. Hadlow, 10. Tenor, 20 cwt. Composed by George Newson, and conducted by F. G. Newman.

At St. Botolph's, Heene, Worthing, Sussex.

On a Tuesday, lately, eight members of the Sussex County Association rang a peal of 5024 BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 47 mins. H. Rann,* 1; H. Weston, 2; F. Luxford, 3; G. Baker,* 4; R. J. Dawe,* 5; T. Linfield, 6; T. George,* 7; G. Williams (composer and conductor), 8. Tenor, 10½ cwt., in G. Messrs. Williams, Weston, and Rann, came from Brighton; Dawe, Lewes; George, Rugby; Linfield, Angmering; Luxford and Baker, Arundel. [*First peal of MAJOR.]

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Southover, Lewes, Sussex.

On a Saturday, lately, eight members of the Sussex County Association rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 1 min. C. W. Saunders,* 1; J. George, 2; A. J. Turner (first peal in the method), 3; G. Williams (conductor), 4; F. W. Harding, 5; R. W. Hoather* (birthday), 6; R. J. Dawe, 7; F. Baker, 8. Tenor, 17 cwt., in F. J. George came from Rugby; G. Williams, Brighton. [*First peal.]

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT BEDDINGTON, SURREY.—On a Sunday, being the Harvest Festival, for morning service, 575 GRANDSIRE CATERS. A. J. Plowman, 1; E. Bennett (conductor), 2; T. King, 3; F. Holder, 4; J. Harding, 5; E. Mathews, 6; J. Plowman, 7; J. Fayers, 8; C. Bance, 9; J. Trapitt, 10. For evening service, 661 STEDMAN CATERS. E. Bennett (conductor), 1; G. Welling, 2; A. J. Plowman, 3; F. Holder, 4; C. Bance, 5; J. Trapitt, 6; J. Fayers, 7; J. Harding, 8; J. Plowman, 9; T. King, 10. After service, 377 GRANDSIRE CATERS. F. Holder, 1; J. Trapitt, 2; T. King, 3; A. J. Plowman, 4; E. Bennett (conductor), 5; E. Mathews, 6; J. Plowman, 7; E. Welling, 8; J. Fayers, 9; W. Broomsgrove, 10.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, HORSMONDEN, KENT.—On a Sunday, 720 BOB MINOR (eight bobs and six singles) in 30 mins. T. Lambert, G. Hodge, F. Butchers, W. Lambert, F. Lambert (conductor), and J. Beach.

AT ALL SAINTS', FULHAM, LONDON.—On a Sunday, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, 1260 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 44 mins. A. Ough, 1; W. H. Rowland, 2; W. Meaton, 3; J. G. Green, 4; S. Luscombe, 5; J. W. Driver (conductor), 6; C. Charge, 7; E. H. Adams, 8; H. Kenten, 9; G. Roberts, 10.

AT HOLY TRINITY BLACKBURN, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday afternoon, being the Harvest Festival, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 46 mins. E. Wamesly, 1; J. Smith, 2; R. Proctor, 3; M. Kearney, 4; J. Sanderson (conductor), 5; J. Hargreaves, 6; J. Watson, 7; E. Hacking, 8.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, ASHBY-DE-LA-ZOUCH.—On Sunday evening, the 18th inst., for the harvest festival, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 42 mins. W. Liggins, 1; W. Beadsmoore, 2; T. Jacques, 3; J. H. Dunmore, 4; W. Owen, 5; H. Canner, 6; W. Canner, 7; G. Thornley, 8. Composed and conducted by W. Canner.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

Bell-ringers.

SIR,—In common, I dare say, with many others, I have this difficulty with my bell-ringers, that several of them after ringing leave the church and do not attend the services. Would it be too strict a rule to impose on them that, after ringing, they must come into church?
RECTOR.

The Surrey Association.

ON Saturday, the 10th inst., the third Quarterly Meeting of the above was held at Beddington. Ringing began early in the afternoon with various touches of GRANDSIRE, STEDMAN, &c. At six o'clock a capital tea was provided for forty members, coming from Beddington, Benhilton, Carshalton, Croydon, Bletchingley, Ewell, Fulham, Guildford, London, Mitcham, Reigate, and Streatham. Afterwards the chair was taken by Mr. J. Plowman. The minutes of the Annual Meeting having been read and confirmed, and one peal reported and ordered to be entered in the peal-book, five new members were elected. The meeting heard with regret of the death of Mr. Alfred Bruce, for many years representative for Croydon, and decided to elect in his place Mr. William States, the present steeple-keeper. After some discussion it was decided to hold the next meeting at Camberwell on the second Monday in January.

The Midland Counties' Association.

THE second Quarterly Meeting of the year was held at Leicester, on Saturday, the 17th inst., when the following towers were open for ringing:—St. Margaret's, St. Martin's, St. Mark's, St. Mary's, St. Saviour's, and St. George's. Tea was served at the St. Margaret's Coffee Rooms, about sixty members being present from Burton-on-Trent, Beeston, Loughborough, Nuneaton, Barwell, Stoney Stanton, Sandiacre, and Rugby. Through the unavoidable absence of the President (A. Percival Heywood, Esq.), the Rev. Arthur M. Rendell, vicar of St. Margaret's, Leicester, was voted to the chair; and two honorary (including the Chairman), one life, and six ringing members were elected. After the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and passed, Burton-on-Trent was unanimously selected for holding the next quarterly meeting. Sixteen peals have been rung by the Association since the last meeting, including two peals of LONDON SURPRISE by the Duffield Society, and the meeting congratulated the performing members upon this achievement, the Hon. Secretary being requested to enter the vote upon the minutes. Hearty votes of thanks were accorded to the Vicars of the various churches for the use of the bells, to the Leicester branch for so

kindly providing a free tea for visiting members, and to the Chairman for presiding.

IMPORTANT PEAL.

The Julius Cæsar Tower, Windsor Castle.

ON Saturday evening, the 24th inst., (by permission of the Very Rev. P. F. Eliot, M.A., Dean of Windsor), the following members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a true and complete peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, containing 5040 changes, in 3 hours and 34 minutes:—Henry Hopkins, 1; William Wilder, 2; William Short, 3; Alfred C. Fussell, 4; William H. Fussell, 5; Albert E. Pittam, 6; George Newson, 7; Arthur Jacob, 8. The composition rung was the late John Holt's Original One-part peal, and was conducted by Mr. G. Newson. Tenor, 36 cwt., key D. The previous performance of this kind, upon the Curfew bells, was achieved in the year 1787, the seventh and tenor requiring two men to each.

Dedication of Church Bells at Llandugwydd, near Cardigan.

THE beautiful church of Llandugwydd, situated in one of the most lovely valleys in South Wales, was the scene, on the 21st inst., of the interesting ceremony of dedicating to Divine worship a splendid ring of six bells, presented to the parish by Mrs. Brigstocke, Blaenpant, and Mrs. and Miss Webley-Parry, Noyadd-Tregawr. The bells, which are very powerful, but exceedingly sweet and melodious in tone, ranging from G sharp, are the work of the eminent founders, Messrs. John Taylor & Co., Loughborough, the text upon them being:—No. 1 bell, 'We praise Thee;' No. 2, 'We bless Thee;' No. 3, 'We worship Thee;' No. 4, 'We glorify Thee;' No. 5, 'We give thanks to Thee;' No. 6, 'O Lord God.'

The old bell of the church is of the pre-Reformation period, and bears the motto, 'Sancte Petre, ora pro nobis.' The silver Communion Cup is of beautiful design, richly ornamented, and bears the date 1573, supposed to be the oldest in the county of Cardigan, being a year older than any mentioned by Meyrick in his *History of Cardiganshire*.

The interior of the sacred edifice was nicely decorated with flowers and fruits. The Dedication Service was read by the Rev. W. Francis, vicar of the parish, and, as the dedication chime rang out, the congregation, who listened, had full opportunity of judging of the beauty of the music of the gift of the munificent donors, each of whom has, on previous occasions, done much to make the church of Llandugwydd noted as the prettiest in the district. The dedication sermon was preached by the Rev. Thomas Parry, rector of Cilgerran, Pembrokeshire. The congregation was a very large one, and as they left the church after the service a merry peal with changes was rung. The bells can be heard for a long distance, and are, without doubt, one of the best rings in the country.

For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 920.

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A Lecture on Church Bells.

In connexion with the Plymouth Institution, the Rev. W. Jago delivered a lecture on 'Church Bells' at the Athenæum, Plymouth, on October 22nd. By means of diagrams, the lecturer plainly demonstrated the acoustic properties of bells in their different shapes, and also what construction proved the most successful in bringing the tones to the sweetest perfection. He afterwards proceeded to depict in a most exhaustive manner the history and legends of the various bells from the earliest ages; more especially in the case of those of English manufacture. He dwelt lengthily upon the various inscriptions found upon bells of ancient design, and their many peculiarities, and several instances which had come under his own immediate notice, and in which he had been the means of unravelling the mysteries attached thereto, proved especially interesting. He also dealt with the largest bells of the world, giving descriptions of the most notable; and that portion wherein he submitted a faithful account of Cornish and Devonshire bells, with their wealth of legend lore, was immensely appreciated.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Southover, Lewes, Sussex.

ON Wednesday, the 14th inst., Annable's peal of 5040 BOB TRIPLES was rung by the following members of the Sussex County Association in 3 hrs. 2½ mins. G. Pettitt,* 1; H. Rann, 2; C. Stehelin,* 3; A. J. Langridge,* 4; G. Williams, 5; A. J. Turner, 6; R. J. Dawe (conductor), 7; T. Miller, 8. First peal in the method on the bells. Messrs. Williams and Ram came from Brighton; Miller, Ringmer; the rest are local men. Tenor, 17 cwt., in F. [*First peal.]

At St. Andrew's, Prestwold, Leicestershire.

ON Wednesday, the 14th inst., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association rang Mr. Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. J. W. Taylor, jun. (conductor), 1; J. Hardy, 2; J. W. Taylor, sen., 3; A. E. Matthews, 4; J. Smith, 5; W. E. Tydeman, 6; E. W. Cartwright, 7; W. H. Inglesant (first peal), 8. Tenor, 10 cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells.

At St. Lawrence's, Appleton, Berks.

ON Friday, the 16th inst., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a Variation of Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, with the bells muffled, in memory of the late Mr. Jesse Avery, in 2 hrs. 49 mins. F. Barrett, 1; G. Holifield, 2; F. White, 3; A. Fox, 4; H. Walters, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 6; J. W. Washington, 7; S. White, 8. Tenor, 14½ cwt.

At St. Nicholas', Arundel, Sussex.

ON Saturday the 17th inst., in 2 hrs. 52 mins., a peal of 5024 BOB MAJOR. H. Rann, 1; C. Blackman*, 2; F. Luxford, 3; T. Linfield, 4; J. Searle, 5; G. Balchin,* 6; G. Williams, 7; W. Grove, 8. Composed and conducted by G. Williams. First peal of BOB MAJOR on the bells. Messrs. Williams, Searle, and Rann, came from Brighton; Grove, Guildford; the rest are local men. Rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. O. Evershed, of Arundel. [*First peal of MAJOR.]

At Holy Trinity, Loddon, Norfolk.

ON Monday, the 19th inst., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association rang T. Day's peal of 6240 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 52 mins. J. Smith, 1; F. J. Howchin, 2; F. H. Knights, 3; G. Howchin, 4; A. G. Warnes, 5; G. Smith, 6; J. Skinner, 7; F. Knights (conductor), 8. Tenor, 11 cwt.

At St. Mary's, Cheltenham.

ON Monday, the 19th inst., ten members of the Gloucester and Bristol Association rang a peal of 5255 GRANDSIRE CATERERS in 3 hrs. 25 mins. A. Humphries, 1; F. E. Hart, 2; F. E. Ward, Esq., 3; C. Pockett (first peal on ten bells), 4; J. Austin, 5; S. Greenwood (London), 6; A. Roberts, 7; W. T. Pates (composer and conductor), 8; H. Roberts, 9; W. H. Brunson, 10. This peal is now rung for the first time.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Speldhurst, Kent.

ON Tuesday, the 20th inst., eight members of the Kent County Association rang a peal of 5056 BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 52 mins. J. Maynard, 1; J. Baker, 2; R. Pelling, 3; G. Turley, 4; F. Still, 5; F. Still, jun., 6; T. Card, 7; G. A. Card, 8. Composed by C. H. Martin and conducted by T. Card. Tenor, 12½ cwt. The composition has the 5th twelve and the 6th twenty-two times in 6th's place, and was rung in honour of the wedding of Mr. G. Turley. It may be mentioned that it occurred on the anniversary of the destruction of the tower and bells by fire in 1791, the present 7th being all that remains of the old bells.

At Christ Church, Southgate, London.

ON Wednesday, the 21st inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 10 mins. F. L. Davis, 1; H. Langdon, 2; W. H. L. Buckingham, 3; C. F. Winny, 4; W. E. Garrard, 5; F. G. Newman (conductor), 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; J. Hitch, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt., in D.

At St. Mary's, Prestbury, Gloucestershire.

ON Thursday, the 22nd inst., eight members of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Change-ringers rang Reeves's Variation peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 51 mins. G. H. Phillott, 1; T. Hooper, 2; H. Roberts, 3; C. Pochetts, 4; S. Greenwood (conductor), 5; W. F. Pates, 6; W. Dyer (first peal), 7; T. Compton, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt. (about). Mr. Greenwood was on a visit from Streattham, London.

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Wells Cathedral Bells.

THE reopening of the Wells Cathedral Bells took place on Wednesday last, November 4th. The old peal of eight has been rehung by Messrs. Blackburn & Greenleaf, of Salisbury, and two new trebles have been added, cast at the foundry of Messrs. Mears & Stainbank. There are now three rings of ten in the diocese—that at Wells Cathedral (tenor, 50 cwt. in C); one at Bath Abbey (tenor, 40 cwt. in D); and one at St. Mary's, Taunton; which is a very limited number for so large a diocese. The reopening and dedication ceremony took place in the Cathedral after morning prayer, at 11.15, at which a few opening touches were rung; after which a peal of STEDMAN CATERS was attempted, as it is one of the conditions of the contract with the hangers, that the firm shall not be paid till such a peal has been rung to test the efficiency of the work. The opening touches were undertaken by the Master and members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change-ringers. But for the peal the Dean and Chapter had invited the Master of the Oxford Guild to bring down a selected team. This, of course, was done with the concurrence of the officers of the Bath and Wells Association, as the latter felt that, since there are only two peals of ten in the diocese, one the unpealable ring at Bath Abbey, the other that at distant Taunton, their members had not had the chance of CATER practice sufficient to enable them to undertake the opening peal with confidence.

C. H. G.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, Staffordshire.

On Wednesday, the 21st ult., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association and the St. Paul's Society rang N. J. Pitstow's peal of 5088 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR in 3 hrs. 23 mins. G. Robinson, 1; G. F. Attree, 2; A. Wakley, 3; Jos. Griffith, 4; E. I. Stone, 5; H. Wakley, 6; T. Holmes, 7; W. Wakley (conductor), 8. Tenor, 26 cwt.

At St. Peter's, Caversham, Reading.

On Saturday, the 24th ult., eight members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5040 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 2 hrs. 50 mins. H. Bridgeman (first peal), 1; E. W. Menday, 2; Jos. Hands, 3; H. T. Hibbert, 4; H. Scott, 5; G. Essex, 6; A. W. Pike, 7; T. Newman, 8. Composed by Mr. Washbrook and conducted by Mr. Newman. Tenor, 14 cwt.

At St. Matthew's, Oxhey, Herts.

On Tuesday, the 27th ult., eight members of the Hertfordshire Association rang Taylor's Six-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. G. Hunt,* 1; E. E. Huntley, 2; H. J. Wright, 3; F. Edwards, 4; G. Gibbard, 5; H. G. Rowe (conductor), 6; W. Hewett, 7; W. Atkins,* 8. Tenor, 8½ cwt. [* First peal.]

At St. Thomas's, Brentwood, Essex.

On Saturday, the 31st ult., eight members of the Essex Association rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 3 hrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, 1; A. J. Perkins, 2; W. E. Garrard, 3; C. F. Winny, 4; F. G. Newman (conductor), 5; W. Lincoln, 6; W. T. Cockerill, 7; M. L. Myhill, 8. Tenor, 19½ cwt. The first peal of STEDMAN on the bells. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar, the Rev. A. Grinstead, for his kindness in allowing them the use of the bells.

At St. John's, Waterloo Road, London.

On Saturday, the 31st ult., the following members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 9 mins.:—W. Baron, sen., 1; B. Foskett, 2; W. Short, 3; H. Dains (composer), 4; A. Pittam, 5; H. Hopkins, 6; A. Jacob (conductor), 7; G. Newson, 8. Tenor, 19½ cwt. The peal is the first upon the bells in this method, and is the first performance since the rehangings of the two trebles by Mr. Hill, and was arranged to commemorate the birthday of Messrs. Foskett and Jacob. The composition, now rung for the first time, is in two parts, has the 6th home at the last twelve course-ends of each part, and neither 2nd nor 3rd in 6th's place at course-ends. It contains all the 6-4's and 6-5's.

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At ST. MARY'S, OLD BATTERSEA, LONDON.—On a Sunday morning, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 42 mins. W. Bull 1; W. Baron, 2; H. N. Davis, 3; S. Baker, 4; J. E. Davis, 5; F. Pitts (conductor), 6; A. Sweetman, 7; A. R. Davis, 8.

At ST. ALPHERGE'S, GREENWICH, KENT.—On a Tuesday, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (1260 changes) in 45 mins. W. Pead, 1; J. J. Lamb, 2; W. Weatherstone, 3; F. Rumens, 4; E. E. Richards, 5; T. Taylor, 6; F. W. Thornton, 7; S. Gibbs, 8. Composed by A. G. Freeman, formerly of St. Mary's, Lewisham; and conducted by F. W. Thornton. It was rung to celebrate the erection of a tablet (kindly presented by Miss Airy) recording a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES rang on July 27th, in honour of the ninetieth birthday of Sir George B. Airy, K.C.B., formerly Astronomer-Royal, the ringers standing as above. Miss Airy, in addition to presenting the tablet, has also borne the expense of carpeting and furnishing the belfry; and it is also worthy of mention that she can already handle a bell, though she has only been under the tuition of Mr. W. G. Davis a short time.

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JAMES HEDDING,

Churchwarden of Sawston and Captain of the Ringers.

The Lancashire Association.

BLACKBURN BRANCH.—On Saturday, the 24th ult., a meeting of the above Branch was held at Holy Trinity Church, Blackburn, when representatives were present from Blackburn Parish Church and Holy Trinity, Burnley, Church, Hoghton, Padiham, Higher Walton, and Walton-le-Dale. During the afternoon and evening touches of BOB MINOR, GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, and BOB MAJOR were rung. At six o'clock the business meeting was held, at which Mr. J. Walker presided, and was re-elected President of the Branch, Mr. J. Horrocks also being re-elected Secretary for the next twelve months. Votes of thanks to the officers for their past services, also to the Vicar, wardens, and ringers of Holy Trinity, brought the meeting to a close.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE monthly meeting of the Guild was held at Upholland on Saturday, October 31st, members being present from Aughton, Hindley, and Wigan, besides the local company. The Vicar (Rev. G. P. Wills) gave them a hearty welcome, and kindly provided tea. At the business meeting afterwards held the Vicar presided, and spoke of the excellent work being done by the Guild, and expressed the hope that when they visited Upholland again he would be amongst them as a practical change-ringer. The Rev. W. T. Bulpit then gave an excellent address, explaining the objects of the Guild, after which two performing members were elected, and a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman for presiding and providing so excellent a tea, and for the use of the schoolroom and bells, brought a pleasant meeting to a close.

Church Bell-ringers' Festival at Ludlow.

THE Hereford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell-ringers, the annual festival of which was lately held on a Thursday at Ludlow, appears to be sadly in need of more extended and liberal support, there being an overdraft at the bank, several heavy bills to pay, and no assets. A question was raised at this festival as to whether the Guild should be dissolved, but it was decided to make another effort for its continuance by dividing the diocese into districts, each with local secretaries, who should undertake to raise a certain portion of the requisite income for the year. The Guild was instituted in March, 1886, by the Rector of Colwall, and, under the talented instructorship of Mr. W. H. Fussell, of Slough, and his deputy, Mr. J. G. Wall, of Ross, has rung six peals of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES of 5040 changes each. One of these was a muffled memorial peal to the late Earl of Powis at Welshpool, the first known performance of the kind in the county of Montgomery. There are at present 274 acting members in the Guild and 65 honorary members, representing one peal of ten bells, six peals of eight, thirty-two peals of six, and four peals of five.

After ringing a short touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES on the bells in the newly restored tower of St. Lawrence's Church, under the conductorship of Mr. J. G. Wall, of Ross, the members attended Divine service in the same church at noon, when the sermon was preached by the Rev. A. L. Oldham, rector of Bridgnorth.

Dinner was partaken of in the Market Hall at two o'clock, when the company numbered about eighty, and included the Rev. A. L. Oldham (who presided), the Mayor of Ludlow, the Revs. A. C. Lee (Logwardine), J. Davis (Bridgnorth), J. Cranston, S. C. Wilkinson, G. Maddison (Richard's Castle), G. H. Bennett (Colwall), and J. C. Besant, Messrs. W. Hebb (Ross), J. H. Buchanan (Clun), J. Overton (Bridgnorth), J. Wall (Ross), and W. H. Fussell, &c.

Thanks having been returned, the Chairman proposed the health of 'the Queen.'

The Mayor of Ludlow then rose, and said he was proud to be able to extend to the members of the Guild a hearty welcome to the old borough of Ludlow. He and his fellow-townsmen fell honoured by the visit of the Church bell-ringers, and were glad to take an opportunity of giving them that respect which was their due. Having witnessed the munificent donations and subscriptions that had been given for the restoration of their church, they could justly say they had one of the most noble towers for bell-ringing in that part of the diocese. Bell-ringing was the oldest music known associated with the Church; it strengthened the position of the Church, and it added to the interest everybody took in it.

The Chairman thanked the Mayor for his welcome, and suggested that when they assembled at these annual festivals they should take the opportunity of making their gathering not only an occasion of worshipping God—which they had most properly been doing—and of using it for purposes of social intercourse, but also an occasion for discussing anything that was of importance to bell-ringers.

Mr. Hebb, the hon. treasurer, reported that the Guild had a deficiency at the bank, and some heavy bills had to be paid, and it remained for the Guild to discover the best way of discharging liabilities with no assets.

The Rev. C. A. Lee said the great complaint against Church societies was that no part of their work was done by laymen. That complaint, however, could not be directed against the Guild, because both the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer were laymen. It would be a disgrace to the clergy if they did not do something to back up the laymen's work. They would be glad to receive any suggestions for improving the position of the Guild, and he hoped the ringers would help them. He asked them to be as forbearing as possible as to the visits of the conductor, and not to say they would not pay their subscriptions if the conductor did not attend to them every year. In regard to the financial position of the Guild, he asked if it possible to form, say, twenty centres, each responsible for the payment of 5*l.* a year, to raise the necessary 100*l.* a year. One kind neighbour had said there would not be the least difficulty, and would be responsible for 10*l.* a year. He asked them to form centres, more or less large, and appoint local secretaries.

Mr. Buchanan (the hon. secretary) spoke in approval of this suggestion, and Mr. Fussell (the instructor) proposed also that one of the permanent bell-ringers in each district be appointed local instructor.

A Conference on Bell-ringing was subsequently held. There were representatives present from eleven towers in union with the Guild, including the foreman ringers of the following bellries:—Tenbury, Clun, Lugwardine, Brignorth, Ross, Foy, Colwall, Cradley, Coddington, and Withington, making a total of about fifty ringers, exclusive of the Ludlow members. Peals were rung from the bellries at Ludlow, Bromfield, and Stanton Lacey.

Raunds, Wellingborough, and District Church Bell-ringers' Association.

A QUARTERLY meeting of the above Association took place at Raunds on Saturday afternoon, October 24th. About forty ringers from the various bellries in connexion with the society attended. Ringing commenced at 2.30, and was continued until late in the evening. At four o'clock a business meeting of delegates was held in the schoolroom. Wollaston was fixed upon as the place for the next quarterly meeting. J. Henson, Esq., of Kettering, was proposed as a new hon. member. The Rev. Hugh Bryan (vicar of Raunds), Hon. Sec. of the Association, and his churchwarden, Mr. Black, were present to welcome the visitors. The Vicar conducted the ringers over the church, and pointed out the particular objects of interest in the grand old edifice, which is one of the largest in the country. Its lofty tower and spire have been described by a reliable authority as 'amongst the finest, even in this district of spires, which contains some of the best in England.' The tower is understood to date from the time of Henry III., and the body of the Church was probably rebuilt in the reign of Edward III. An ancient clock-face fixed above the west arch inside the church has the twenty-four hours marked on it, in accordance with the latest idea in modern timepieces. The bells are a ring of six (tenor, 18 cwt.), the first four being by Bayre & Penn, and the fifth and tenor re-casts by Warner; the tenor is not a good bell. The bell frame is very old, it bears date 1663; nevertheless, the bells go nicely, which speaks well for the care taken of them by Mr. Stubbs, the steeple-keeper. There is a strong desire to increase the ring to eight: the local ringers certainly deserve an octave, there is ample room in the tower for extra metal, and the large belfry will accommodate two more ropes. On the belfry wall are two peal tablets; one eighteenth century, and the other erected eight years ago. At five o'clock the Rev. Hugh Bryan provided an excellent tea at the Coffee Tavern, to which thirty-seven ringers sat down. On the proposition of Mr. Craddock, seconded by Mr. E. J. Dennes, a hearty vote of thanks was passed to the Hon. Secretary for his hospitality and the warm welcome he had given them to Raunds. Campanologists in the district will be pleased to learn that the scheme for re-hanging and increasing the bells at Higham Ferrers is progressing favourably, and also that a project for adding two trebles to the peal of six at Rusden has been brought forward. The floods in the Nene Valley, and the heavy fog that followed the bright afternoon, rendered the return journey of some of the ringers anything but pleasant.

Change-ringing at Nayland, Suffolk.

ON Sunday, the 1st inst., a company of change-ringers visited Nayland, including H. Bowell and son, from Ipswich, W. Nevard, Great Bentley, and the others from Great Bromley and district. A complete peal of 720 changes was rung. They were hindered from ringing any more on account of illness in a house near the church, so they went off to the next ring of bells, which was at Stoke-by-Nayland. They had quite a variety of bells to handle, as they began in the morning at Little Horkesley, on the small bells there, and

then on the Nayland bells, which are heavier, and, last of all, at Stoke—these bells being the heaviest of all.

THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION OF CHANGE-RINGERS. (Leeds: Spark & Son.)—With one exception, we have nothing but praise for the excellent arrangement of this report. The exception to which we refer is that the pages are not numbered, a more or less serious drawback where, as must often be the case in a volume of this kind, reference has to be made to items under the different headings. For instance, even with the help of the table of contents, it took us quite a minute or two so find the tabulated list of the year's peals. Of everything else we can speak in the highest terms. A notable feature of this report, and a most serviceable one, which should be found in all reports, is that a complete list of the members is given, with their full addresses. Herein the book under review is almost, if not quite, unique; and we hold it up as an example to all Associations which have not adopted the plan. In number of members, ringing performances, and finance, the Yorkshire Association keeps well up to its high average. It continues, as of old, to show its preference for that not very entertaining method, TREBLE BOB 'in the Kent Variation.' We warmly congratulate the Association for having set its foot down emphatically on the prize-ringing question, refusing, as it has, to sanction this obnoxious practice; and we congratulate them also on their adoption of, and firm adherence to, a Church Parade on stated occasions.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At Christ Church, Southgate, London.

ON Monday, the 2nd inst., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths and the Middlesex Association, rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 7 mins. H. C. Alford, jun. (first peal), 1; W. Short (conductor's fiftieth peal), 2; H. N. Davis (first peal with a bob-bell), 3; P. Howard, 4; J. E. Davis, 5; E. T. Ebridge, 6; J. Barber, 7; W. F. Meads, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt. Messrs Alford, H. and J. Davis, and Meads, were elected members of the Association previous to starting.

At St. Nicholas', Nuneaton, Warwickshire.

ON Thursday, the 29th ult., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association rang Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 47 mins. W. H. Horwood, 1; T. Lingard, 2; T. W. Chapman (conductor), 3; G. J. Winter, 4; J. George (Rugby), 5; W. Hickley, 6; H. Argyle, 7; J. Ballard, 8. Tenor, 14½ cwt., in E.

At All Saints', Loughborough, Leicestershire.

ON Friday, the 30th ult., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association rang a peal of 5088 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, in 3 hrs. 19 mins. W. H. Inglesant,* 1; J. W. Taylor, jun., 2; J. Smith, 3; A. W. Matthews, 4; S. Smith, 5; W. E. Tydeman,* 6; E. Reader, 7; W. E. Cartwright, 8. Composed by A. P. Heywood, Esq., and conducted by E. Reader. Tenor, 28 cwt., in D. [* First peal in the method.]

At Christ Church, Epsom, Surrey.

ON [Saturday, the 31st ult., eight members of the Surrey Association rang a peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 3 mins. E. Matthews,* 1; E. Bennett,* 2; E. Trendell,* 3; Dr. A. B. Carpenter, 4; J. Trendell,* 5; F. Holder, 6; J. Harding, 7; C. Bance, 8. Composed by John Cox and conducted by E. Bennett. Tenor, 12½ cwt. Messrs. Trendell came from Sutton, the others belonging to Beddington. [* First peal of TREBLE BOB MAJOR.]

At SS. Peter and Mary's, Stowmarket, Suffolk.

ON Saturday, the 31st ult., eight members of the Norwich Diocesan Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths rang Hubbard's peal of 5088 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 21 mins. W. L. Catchpole (conductor), 1; J. Motts, 2; I. S. Alexander, 3; O. Moule, 4; W. Bedwell, 5; E. T. Shearing, 6; W. Motts, 7; F. Tillett, 8. Tenor, 24 cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells. Mr. Bedwell belongs to Lewisham; the rest are members of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich. The peal was rung as a compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Bedwell, sen. (Mr. Bedwell being a member of the local Society), upon the occasion of their silver wedding. After the peal, the ringers were invited to Mr. Bedwell's residence, where they were entertained to a supper, when they took the opportunity of wishing their host and hostess many happy returns, and hoped they would reach their golden wedding.

At All Saints', Fulham, London.

ON Saturday, the 31st ult., ten members of the All Saints' (Fulham) Society rang Hubbard's peal of 5039 GRANDSIRE CATERERS in 3 hrs. 15 mins. A. S. Ough, 1; W. H. Rowland, 2; E. H. Adams, 3; S. Luscombe (birthday), 4; J. G. Green, 5; J. W. Driver (conductor), 6; C. Charge, 7; J. Nicholls, 8; H. Kenten, 9; S. How, 10. Tenor, 21 cwt. The composition contains the whole of the 8-9's and the 9-7-8's, with the 5th and 6th behind the 9th, and was rung to commemorate the twentieth anniversary of the formation of the above Society.

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At the Cathedral, Manchester.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., ten members of the Lancashire Association rang a peal of 5094 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 18 mins. W. E. Ryder, 1; W. Brown, 2; W. Brammer, 3; T. Thorpe, 4; T. G. Downs, 5; H. Chapman, 6; G. E. Turner, 7; J. George, 8; G. Longden, 9; J. Parkinson, 10. Composed by Robert Williams of Liverpool, and conducted by George Longden, and is now rung for the first time. Tenor 25 cwt., in E flat. This composition contains 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th bells twelve times behind the 9th. Messrs. Ryder came from Rusholme; Longden, Ashton-under-Lyne; and George, Rugby.

At St. Bartholomew's, Quorndon, Leicestershire.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., the following members of the Midland Counties' Association rang a peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 55 mins. R. Lane, 1; J. Smith, 2; J. Hardy, 3; J. W. Taylor, jun. (conductor), 4; S. Smith, 5; W. E. Cartwright, 6; W. A. Tyler, 7; A. Jacques (first peal), 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. 2 lbs. The peal (Mr. Heywood's variation of Thurstans') is the first in the method on the bells.

An Old Kentish Ringer.

On Friday evening, the 6th inst., at the Parish Church, Ashford, Kent, a few friends from Marsham and Hillesborough (members of the Kent County Association) met to commemorate the eighty-fifth birthday of Mr. John Laker, who took the treble and conducted two courses of BOB MAJOR. He has been a ringer for sixty-eight years. Two more touches of BOB MAJOR followed.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

At SUDBURY, SUFFOLK.—On Saturday evening, the 24th ult., the Sudbury Company of ringers met at St. Gregory's Church and succeeded in ringing a touch in each of the following six methods without stopping, rung in the following order:—DOUBLE NORWICH COURT, STEDMAN TRIPLES, OXFORD TREBLE BOB, KENT TREBLE BOB, GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, and BOB MAJOR. This is the first time this has been accomplished in Sudbury, and it was rung by W. Cross, 1; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 2; W. B. Ranson, Esq., 3; M. Silvester, 4; W. Bacon, 5; W. Howell, sen., 6; J. Campin, 7; A. Scott, 8. On Sunday evening, the 25th ult., the bells of All Saints' were rung on the occasion of the Harvest Thanksgiving being held. A touch of 576 BOB MAJOR was rung before service by N. W. Taylor (Cornard), 1; M. Silvester, 2; W. Howell, jun., 3; W. B. Ranson, Esq., 4; J. Campin, 5; W. Howell, sen., 6; A. Scott and W. Cross, 7; W. Brackett and C. Sillitoe, 8. And after service a touch of 672 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. N. W. Taylor, 1; M. Silvester, 2; W. Howell, jun., 3; J. Campin, 4; W. Bacon, 5; C. Sillitoe (conductor), 6; A. Scott and W. Cross, 7; W. Howell, sen., and H. Brackett, 8. It is the intention of the Company to attempt eight different methods on some future practice-night.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, GIGGESWICK, YORKS.—On Sunday, the 8th inst., 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR (nine bobs) in 29 mins. Wm. Middleton, 1; J. L. Bulcock, 2; W. Fell, 3; S. James, 4; J. Parker, 5; J. Morphet (conductor), 6.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, WIGAN, LANCASHIRE.—On Monday, the 9th inst., in honour of the Prince of Wales's birthday, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 1 hr. 11 mins. T. Halliwell, 1; C. C. Turner, 2; J. F. Hall, 3; G. Turner, 4; J. E. Gummerson, 5; S. Hall, 6; R. Fisher and H. Meadow, 7; J. Barker and J. Meadow, 8. Tenor, 28 cwt., in C. Composed by Mr. J. Aspinall, of Liverpool, and conducted by Mr. T. Halliwell.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, KEMERTON, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—On a Saturday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR in 25 mins. C. Brown, 1; E. Devereux (conductor), 2; H. Payne, 3; A. Devereux, 4; C. Smith, 5; A. Attwood, 6. It was rung to celebrate the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett, of Kemerton. And on a Thursday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR in 25 mins. C. Brown, 1; E. Devereux (conductor), 2; H. Payne, 3; A. Wallace, 4; C. Smith, 5; A. Attwood, 6.

At THE ABBEY, TEWKESBURY, GLOUCESTERSHIRE.—On a Thursday, for practice, 560 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR. W. Perks, 1; R. H. Witherington, 2; H. Roberts, 3; J. Hale, 4; S. Cleal, 5; T. Devereux, 6; John Wathen, 7; Joseph Wathen (conductor), 8. The longest touch in the method achieved by all.

At ST. MARY'S, RAWTENSTALL, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday, for morning service, the following attempted a date touch of 1891 changes:—G. H. Ashworth, 1; J. Gratrix, 2; W. Haworth, 3; E. Whittaker, 4; E. Nuttall (conductor), 5; J. Smith, 6; J. Ramsbottom, 7; J. W. Cunliffe, 8. Through some misunderstanding as to time for service being up, rounds was called a few bobs from home. For evening service 1008 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung, standing as before, with the exception of G. E. Rollerson, 2; J. Gratrix, 3.

At ST. MICHAEL'S, BUNWELL, NORFOLK.—On a Friday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. A. Dunnett, 1; G. Smith, sen., 2; J. Hilling, 3; R. T. Woodley, 4; G. Smith, jun., 5; R. Hutton (conductor), 6. Also touches of OXFORD, DOUBLE COURT, and BOB MINOR, with J. Hinchley and J. Fox. J. Fox came from Tacolnestone; R. T. Woodley, London.

At HOLY TRINITY, BARKING ROAD, WEST HAM, ESSEX.—On a Saturday, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB. A. Deards, 1; E. Lucas (first 720 in the method), 2; T. J. Watts, 3; G. Gray, 4; W. Watts, 5; I. Cavill (conductor), 6. Also 720 NEW LONDON PLEASURE. A. Deards, 1; T. J. Watts, 2; W. Watts, 3;

J. Young, 4; I. Cavill, 5; F. Young (conductor), 6. First 720 in the method on the bells. And on a Tuesday, 720 BOB MINOR (eight bobs and six singles) in 24 mins. E. Lucas, 1; A. J. Perkins (conductor), 2; W. H. Dallimore, 3; A. Bowell, 4; A. White, 5; A. Deards, 6. Also 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR in 24½ mins. W. H. Dallimore, 1; A. Bowell, 2; A. J. Perkins, 3; A. Deards, 4; E. Lucas, 5; A. White (conductor), 6.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, BRADFORD, YORKS.—On a Tuesday, for practice, 480 STEDMAN TRIPLES. J. Hardcastle, 1; S. Clark, 2; H. Raistrick, 3; J. W. Cundall, 4; J. Cotterell, 5; J. Broadley, 6; T. Pollitt (conductor), 7; B. F. Lamb, 8. First touch of STEDMAN by all the ringers.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, EYNESBURY, HUNTS.—On a Thursday, for evening service, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, 720 BOB MINOR (eighteen bobs and two singles) in 28 mins. J. Jones, 1; S. Hawksford, 2; G. Coleman, 3; G. Irons, 4; H. J. Sutton (conductor), 5; C. Chasty, 6. Tenor, 14½ cwt.

At THE PARISH CHURCH, NORTON CANES, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On a Tuesday, six peals (120 changes) of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, each called differently. J. Rock (conductor), 1; W. E. Gibbs, 2; C. Daw, 3; W. Thornly, 4; A. Rock, 5. And on a Sunday morning, for Divine service, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, 360, with J. Hildich, 1; the rest as before, but conducted by A. Rock. Also, for evening service, six peals of 120 changes. J. Rock (conductor), 1; W. E. Gibbs, 2; C. Daw, 3; W. Thornly, 4; A. Rock, 5.

At ST. JAMES'S, WATERFOOT, LANCASHIRE.—On a Sunday afternoon, 720 BOB MINOR in 26½ mins. R. H. Halstead, 1; J. Bolton, 2; J. Gratrix (Manchester), 3; J. Rollerson, 4; J. Smith, 5; J. B. Taylor, 6.

At ST. THOMAS'S, PENDLETON, LANCASHIRE.—On a Friday, a half-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (2520 changes), in 1 hr. 30 mins. J. Smith, 1; J. Fitton, 2; F. Smith, 3; T. Thorpe, 4; J. Thorpe (conductor), 5; T. Smith, 6; S. Greenhalgh, 7; J. Hayes, 8.

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Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE next meeting of the Guild will be held at Halsall on Saturday, November 28th. Bells open three p.m., meeting six p.m.

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The Middlesex Association of Change-ringers.

THE Annual Meeting of this Association was held at Southgate, Middlesex, on Saturday, the 7th inst. About thirty members were present. The tower was open at three o'clock, but ringing was not commenced till past four, when touches of GRANDSIRE, TREBLE BOB, STEDMAN, and DOUBLE NORWICH were rung. At half-past six an adjournment was made to partake of tea. Afterwards, Mr. G. B. Lucas (the Master) having taken the chair, business commenced by confirming the minutes of the last meeting. The annual report was then read by the Secretary (Mr. F. A. Milne), which was adopted as read. The Treasurer did not present his account because some subscriptions had still to come in; his statement was accepted by the meeting, and it was decided that the annual balance-sheet should be published in the annual report. A discussion having arisen as to the desirability of securing payment of booking fees, the Master urged upon all conductors of peals to collect the booking fees at the end of the peal, and also that the names and addresses of members proposed before a peal be at once submitted to the Secretary. The Master then drew attention to a peal rung at Southgate on Monday, November 2nd, 1891, which had been described as a Middlesex peal; but, as four new members were elected before starting, and by the rules of the Association only two members can be elected, this peal was not allowed to be booked. The list of peals was then read by the Master, and it was decided that they should be printed in the report.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was next proceeded with. Mr. Lucas being unwilling to stand again as Master, two names were put up—Mr. C. H. Martin, of Hendon, and Mr. John Barber, of Wood Green. Mr. C. H. Martin was duly elected. Mr. Milne not seeking re-election as Secretary, Mr. Percy Howard (of 10 Grayling Road, Stoke Newington) was unanimously elected. Mr. J. Waghorn, jun., was re-elected Treasurer; Messrs. Grove and English were appointed Auditors; the provisional election of Mr. A. Jacob and Mr. A. Howell was duly ratified.

A discussion as to the formation of districts then ensued, and several suggestions as to the division of the county were made, but nothing definite was settled. Mr. Howard undertook to push the formation of a Western District, with a centre at Acton or Ealing, as far as he could. On the question of the continuation of monthly meetings, Mr. English proposed, and Mr. Foskett seconded, and it was resolved that the Secretary be empowered to make arrangements, if practicable, for monthly meetings to be held at some tower or towers in London. On the motion of Mr. Howard, seconded by Mr. Foskett, it was agreed that the annual meeting in 1892 should be held at All Saints', Fulham. The meeting then terminated with a vote of thanks to the officers for the past year for their services to the Society, and to the Vicar of Southgate for permitting the Society the use of the bells.

New Bells at St. Stephen's, Bristol.

Two new bells have been added to the fine ring of eight in the tower of St. Stephen's, Bristol. The new Rector, the Rev. C. H. Joberns, conducted a service of benediction in the tower, which was attended by the donors of the bells, the Ancient Society of Ringers, who have done much good work in the restoration of this grand old city church. It ought to be added that these gentlemen have, from their funds, rehung the bells and made some costly and needful alterations in the belfry and ringing-chamber.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Nicholas', Brighton, Sussex.

On Thursday, the 29th ult., Thurstans' Original peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung by the following members of the Sussex County Association in 2 hrs. 44 mins.:—H. Raun (first peal of STEDMAN), 1; H. Weston, 2; G. Williams, 3; E. C. Merritt, 4; W. Palmer, 5; G. A. King, 6; J. Searle (conductor), 7; J. Jay, sen., 8. Tenor, 16 cwt., in F. First peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

At St. Peter's, Sowerby, Yorkshire.

On the 30th ult., to commemorate the 110th anniversary of the bells, a peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 3 hrs. 5 mins. W. Suchliffe * (conductor), 1; E. V. Cawdry, * 2; R. Normanton, * 3; J. Smith, 4; H. Wolfendon, * 5; E. E. Howarth, * 6; J. W. Barrett, * 7; W. Smith, * 8. [* First peal.]

At the Cathedral, Wells, Somerset.

On Wednesday, the 4th inst., ten members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild rang a peal of 5021 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 57 mins. F. White, 1; G. H. Phillott, 2; C. Hounslow, 3; T. Blackburn, 4; Rev. H. A. Cockey, 5; Rev. F. E. Robinson, 6; W. W. Gifford, 7; J. Hinton, 8; T. Hibbert, 9; J. W. Washbrook (composer and conductor) and W. Greenleaf, 10. The first peal rung on this fine ring of bells. Tenor, 57½ cwt., in B.

At St. Giles's, Camberwell, London.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., ten members of the Royal Society of Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5021 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 3 hrs. 32 mins. W. Baron, sen., 1; H. N. Davis, * 2; J. W. Mansfield, 3; W. Baron, jun., * 4; J. E. Davis, * 5; W. G. Bull, * 6; A. E. Church (50th peal), 7; F. J. Pitts, 8; H. A. Hopkins, 9; W. F. Meads, 10. Composed by J. Rogers, and conducted by W. Baron, sen. Tenor, 25 cwt. The ringers thank the Vicar (the Rev. F. F. Kelly) for the use of the bells. The composition has the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th bells each nine courses behind the 9th, with the bells in the Tittum position, and is the shortest peal that will obtain those qualities by bobs only. The first time it has been rung. [* First peal on ten bells.]

At St. Sidwell's, Exeter, Devon.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., Holt's Ten-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung in 3 hrs. 5 mins. B. Mundy, 1; C. Carter, 2; F. Davey, 3; F. Shepherd, 4; T. Mudge, 5; E. Shepherd, 6; J. Moss, 7; T. J. Lake, 8. Tenor, 24 cwt. The above is the Jubilee peal of the Guild of Devonshire Ringers.

At St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, London.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang H. Johnson's peal of 5024 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. I. G. Slade (conductor), 1; W. Cooter, 2; J. Bonney, 3; S. Burden, * 4; S. Binfield, * 5; J. Pettit, 6; M. A. Wood, 7; W. Prime, 8. Tenor, 14 cwt. [* First peal in the method.]

At Holy Trinity, Cuckfield, Sussex.

On Saturday, the 7th inst., Thurstans' Original peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung in 2 hrs. 50 mins. by the following members of the Sussex County Association:—Geo. A. King, 1; H. Raun, 2; J. Searle, 3; Geo. Williams (conductor), 4; E. C. Merritt, 5; W. Palmer, 6; G. Gatland (Steyning), 7; H. Weston, 8. Tenor, 15 cwt. First peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

At St. Edmund's, Northampton.

On Monday, the 9th inst., eight members of the Midland Counties' Association of Change-ringers rang a peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 58 mins. T. Ealey, 1; S. Hall, 2; W. H. Wood, 3; E. H. Haxley, 4; J. Mackay, 5; J. S. White (conductor), 6; A. O. Stewart, 7; E. R. Maule, 8. Rung in honour of the Prince of Wales's fiftieth birthday.

On Tuesday, the 10th inst., in honour of the wedding of Mr. H. Mason (a churchwarden of St. Lawrence's) to Miss E. Smith, a date touch of 1891 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 10 mins. W. Dewey, 1; E. H. Haxley, 2; T. Ealey, 3; F. T. Harris, 4; A. D. Stewart (conductor), 5; J. Mackay, 6; J. S. White, 7; H. Digby, 8. Tenor, 18 cwt. This is supposed to be the first date touch of TRIPLES ever rung in Northampton.

At St. Alphege's, Greenwich, Kent.

On Tuesday, the 10th inst., ten members of the Ancient Society of College Youths rang a peal of 5000 STEDMAN CATERS in 3 hrs. 18 mins. F. G. Newman (conductor), 1; W. E. Garrard, 2; W. H. L. Buckingham, 3; W. Weatherstone, 4; F. L. Davies, 5; H. G. Shade, 6; E. E. Richards, 7; F. G. French, 8. W. T. Cockerill, 9; W. G. Davis, 10. Composed by Mr. Newson. Tenor, 26 cwt., in D.

At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Putney, Surrey.

On Wednesday, the 11th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the All Saints' Society (Fulham) rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 53 mins. W. Meaton, 1; J. G. Green, 2; W. H. Rowland, 3; J. W. Driver, 4; E. H. Adams, 5; J. Nicholls (birthday), 6; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 7; G. Roberts, 8. Tenor, 16 cwt.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, Herts.

On Saturday, the 14th inst., eight members of the Ancient Society of College Youths and the Kent and Essex Association rang Thurstans' One-part peal of 5040 STEDMAN TRIPLES in 2 hrs. 50 mins. J. E. Randall (firm in the method), 1; G. W. Cartmel, 2; J. George, 3; W. H. L. Buckingham

(conductor), 4; C. F. Winny, 5; W. Battle, 6; F. G. Newman, 7; H. G. Cowe, 8. The first peal of STEDMAN on the bells.

Lately the following peals and touches have been rung:—

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, DOVER, KENT.—On a Saturday, 720 BOB MINOR in 28 mins. G. Greenstreet, 1; E. Bush, 2; R. Ansley, 3; F. Bush, 4; E. Potter, 5; A. Tanton (conductor), 6. And 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR (thirty-four Bobs and twenty-two Singles) in 28 mins. C. Laker, 1; E. Bush, 2; J. Andrews, 3; E. Potter, 4; F. Bush, 5; A. Tanton (conductor), 6. Tenor, 12 cwt.

AT THE PARISH CHURCH, SWANSCOMBE, KENT.—On a Sunday evening, for Divine service, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. W. Clifford, 1; L. Digweed, 2; G. Hayes, 3; F. Ring, 4; M. Digby, 5; W. Harper (conductor), 6. And on a Monday, for practice, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB. L. Digweed, 1; W. Clifford, 2; F. Ring, 3; J. Broom, 4; W. Martin, 5; G. Hayes (conductor), 6.

AT ST. MARGARET'S, ROCHESTER, KENT.—On a Thursday, on the occasion of the enthronement of the new Bishop of Rochester at the Cathedral, 720 BOB MINOR in 25 mins. W. Oxford, 1; W. Baker, 2; E. Rayner, 3; G. Chantler, 4; W. Evans, 5; J. Tullett (conductor), 6.

AT ST. MARY'S, OLD BATTERSEA, SURREY.—On a Sunday morning, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. A. Davis, 1; R. W. Hoather, 2; W. G. Bull, 3; H. N. Davis, 4; F. Pitts, 5; J. E. Davis (conductor), 6; A. Sweetman, 7; A. Cheesman, 8.

AT BROMLEY, KENT.—On a Tuesday, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 20 mins. F. Sanders, 1; I. Emery (conductor), 2; H. P. Harman, 3; W. Fright, 4; G. Durling, 5; E. Dunn, 6; W. Smith, 7; W. James, 8. Composed by H. W. Wilde, of Sandiacre.

AT FAVERSHAM, KENT.—On a Tuesday, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 10 mins. J. Smith, 1; A. Biggs, 2; J. Barnard, 3; C. Couchman, 4; C. L. Graham, 5; W. Wood (conductor), 6; G. A. Ransom (Boughton), 7; W. Wallace, 8.

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BELLS AND BELL-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE Annual Meeting for the election of officers and other important business will take place at headquarters, St. Saviour's, Southwark, on Tuesday next, December 1st, at 8.30 p.m. prompt. Members are requested to attend.

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The Ely District Association.

A MEETING of this Association was held at Ely on Monday, the 9th inst. It was the first Annual Meeting, and a great success. About thirty attended from Ely, Newmarket, Soham, Wilburton, Stratham, and Littleport. At the dinner the Rev. J. FRANEY, vicar of St. Mary's, presided, supported by the Rev. J. R. VINCENT, secretary, and the Rev. K. H. SMITH, secretary and treasurer of the Diocesan Association. The business meeting was held afterwards. We are glad to hear of a change at Ramsey, Yaxley, and Whittlesea, and also at Somersham, and this in a county (Hunts) where call-changes have long held their own.

The Lancashire Association.

ROCHDALE BRANCH.—A meeting of this branch was held at St. Mary's Church, Balderstone, on Saturday, the 14th inst. The bells have been rehung by Mears & Stainbank, and about thirty ringers from Oldham, Rochdale, and Heywood, tested the 'go' of them, but several attempts were made before a touch was brought round. It is hoped the bells will go better with ringing. The only supports for these bells are four corbels in the ringing-room, on which rest four balks of timber, and are connected together by cross-pieces. On the top is the framework in which the bells are hung, and it is a work of ingenuity. The treble and second are hung above the other six; the tenor is 16½ cwt., and the peal is thought too heavy for the tower. A meeting was held in the schoolroom, presided over by Mr. Millett, sen., in the absence of the Vicar through illness. Eight new members were made. Newhey was chosen for the next place of meeting, and the proceedings closed with the usual votes of thanks.

The Devonshire Guild.

A DISTRICT MEETING of this Guild was held at Exeter on Saturday, the 14th inst. The following bands were represented:—St. David's, St. Edmund's, St. Sidwell's, St. Thomas's, Exeter; Clyst St. George, Huntsham, Kenn, Ottery St. Mary, Silverton, Tiverton, and Whitstone. The Tiverton band rung some well-struck touches of STEDMAN TRIPLES at St. Sidwell's Church, and also joined with other members of the Guild in some GRANDSIRE CATERERS. Tea was served, by kind permission, at St. Sidwell's Institute, to which about seventy sat down. C. Pearson, Esq., presided, and was supported by the Rev. J. W. Bird, rector of St. Sidwell's, and the Rev. J. H. Berkeley, vicar of Heavitree. After tea the various bands adjourned to the different steeples in Exeter, and some good change-ringing was accomplished in CATERERS, TRIPLES, and DOUBLES.

The St. Peter's Guild, Wolverhampton.

THE Monthly Meeting of the above was held at Penn on Saturday, the 14th inst. There were members present from Tettenhall, Wombourne, Wolverhampton, and some of the local band. Touches of GRANDSIRE and BOB MINOR, GRANDSIRE, BOB, and ST. SIMON'S DOUBLES were rung. The usual business meeting was held, when Mr. R. Cartwright was elected to represent the Guild on the Central Council. The next meeting is to be held at Busbury on Saturday, December 12th.

An Accident in a Belfry.

WHILE Canon Hitchcock, vicar of East Farleigh, was last Friday evening inspecting the belfry of the parish church, which is being restored, he stepped backwards, and fell from the scaffolding to the ground, nearly twenty feet. His ribs were fractured and his collar-bone broken.

CHANGE-RINGING.

At St. Stephen's, Hampstead, London.

ON Saturday, the 14th inst., eight members of the Society of Royal Cumberland Youths rang a peal of 5024 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 3 hrs. 26 mins. W. Short, 1; E. Barnett, 2; A. Jacob, 3; A. Pittam, 4; J. Barber, 5; H. Dains (composer), 6; H. A. Hopkins, 7; G. Newton (conductor), 8. Tenor, 27 cwt. The first peal in the method on the bells, and J. Barber's fiftieth peal; also the first peal in the method by E. Barnett, who belongs to Crayford. It was intended to start for STEDMAN CATERERS, but, meeting short, the above was rung instead.

At St. Lawrence's, Ludlow, Shropshire.

ON Saturday, the 21st inst., eight members of the Hereford Diocesan Guild of Bell-ringers rang Holt's Original peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 2 mins. W. Jones,* 1; W. H. Fussell, 2; G. Wright, 3; J. Overton, 4; R. T. Holding, 5; T. Barnes,* 6; T. Bratton, 7; J. E. Hall, 8. Conducted by Mr. Fussell, and arranged for him as a farewell peal with the Guild as its instructor by Mr. J. T. Bratton. It was sung on the birthday of the Princess Royal (Empress Frederick of Germany), who was born 1840, and is the first peal on the bells, which have recently been rehung by Messrs. Taylor & Co., Loughborough. Mr. E. Jones, of Ludlow, took the time. The team was met at the tower by the Churchwardens, and permission to ring given by the Rector. Mr. R. T. Holding was made a life member of the Guild previous to starting. Tenor, 24 cwt. [* First peal.]

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AT **THE PARISH CHURCH, SANDIACRE, DERBYSHIRE**.—On Sunday, the 22nd inst., the following members of the Sandiacre Society (Midland Counties' Association) rang 360 **DOUBLE OXFORD BOB MINOR**. T. D. Thompson (first touch in the method), 1; W. T. Burton, 2; J. Hall, 3; R. T. Parkins, 4; J. Bonsall, 5; H. W. Wilde, 6. Tenor, 16½ cwt. in F.

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