

we find among the latter an account of 'What a man eats, drinks, and smokes in a lifetime,' which owes much of its attractiveness to its striking illustrations. 'Niagara in Winter' is illustrated with some remarkable photographs of the Falls after King Frost has asserted his sovereignty; 'The Newest Marvel in Science' is an account of an apparatus which will photograph objects of every description in their true colours; and 'Stage Skeletons,' showing how some of those monsters which have so often amused us are fabricated, are among the good things for Christmas reading.

THE TEMPLE MAGAZINE discourses on the burning topic, 'Why Young Men don't Marry,' and gives a variety of more or less ingenious excuses for their shortcomings. It includes among its contents five complete stories, and an account of the painter, Luke Fildes, R.A., at work.

THE WOMAN AT HOME is gay in white and gold, and is a most interesting number. It opens with an account of 'Some Women Novelists' by Sarah A. Tooley, from which we learn a great deal about well-known lady writers, among whom are Miss Braddon, Mrs. Hodgson-Burnett, Miss Beatrice Harraden, and 'Mrs.' Olive Schreiner. Fifty-two pages of interesting information are given about the women novelists, and we could do with more. Additional interest is given to the series by a number of excellent photographs and illustrations. 'London Society in the Diamond Jubilee Year,' by Mrs. Humphry, is a retrospect of much more than passing interest, and 'Brides and Bridegrooms' is a selection of some well-known Society couples who have lately married. The serial is continued. There are a variety of complete stories—including one from the facile pen of Mary E. Wilkins—and such important topics as 'Dress and Fashion,' 'Cookery,' 'Love, Courtship and Marriage,' 'Health and Personal Appearance,' has each its own department. As a magazine for the home, the *Woman at Home* is hard to beat.

GREAT THOUGHTS contains a talk with the Rev. Dr. Robertson Nicoll, who is claimed by his interviewer to be the discoverer of Barrie, Crockett, Ian Maclaren, Jane Barlow, and Mary Wilkins. Dr. Nicoll has, indeed, done much through the agency of the journals with which he is connected to bring these writers prominently before the public. A biography and an interview with Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., is included among the remainder of the variety of the contents.

CHRISTMAS ARROWS (the *Quiver* annual) has a beautiful cover, and a complete one-volume story, fully and cleverly illustrated, and entitled 'Lady Jane's Companion.' A tuneful Christmas carol, by Charles Bassett; full details of the *Quiver* Christmas hamper for the lonely poor; and many other interesting articles go to make up a capital number of this ably-edited and ever-popular magazine.

GOOD CHEER, the Christmas number of *Good Words*, has a story by Mrs. Hugh Fraser, well illustrated by Launcelot Speed, called 'The Looms of Time.' We were unable to enjoy the whole of the story, as a sheet from the Christmas number of the *Sunday Magazine* was bound into the copy sent us, and we found some difficulty in sorting the two sets of characters.

CHATTERBOX, our ever-juvenile friend, brings out its *Christmas Box*, as the Christmas number is called, in brighter colours than ever. The cover is attractive, representing a conversation between a child and an angry parrot. Every page has something of interest for the little ones, who should all make a point of seeing this number.

THE CHRISTMAS number of the BOY'S OWN PAPER and the GIRL'S OWN PAPER have plenty of interesting reading for the young folk. The frontispiece of the latter is very soft and graceful.

HELPING WORDS and the PRIZE RECITER are both fair average numbers.

WE have received from Messrs. Chappell & Co., New Bond Street, their ANNUAL DANCE ALBUM FOR CHRISTMAS, price 1s. It is an excellent number, containing no fewer than nine pieces of dance music.

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THE Italian Minister of Public Instruction is making a library to fit a catalogue. Some time ago the idea was suggested by some Roman newspapers, of founding a library to contain only the Prohibited Books of the Congregation of the Index of the Vatican. The idea interested the public, and it was brought before the Minister of Public Instruction, with the result that he resolved to carry it out. There will, therefore, shortly be in Italy, in Rome, or maybe Florence, a library of which the catalogue will be the 'Index Expurgatorius.' Little difficulty will be found in procuring such books, because no better advertisement of a book can be got than to have it placed on the index.

A SAMPLE of Hugon's 'Atora' Beef Suet having been sent to us, we handed it to a lady who is an authority on culinary and domestic matters to pronounce an opinion on its merits. Having practically tested it, she tells us that it replaces cooking butter and lard for all purposes, and is more economical than raw suet, and is a great improvement on raw suet as generally used.

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College Youths: at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on December 8th; St. Magnus, London Bridge, on December 9th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on December 10th.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day, December 8th; St. Mary Magdalene, Islington, on December 8th.—All about 8 p.m.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Kent County Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths.

AT St. Mary's, Westerham, Kent, on November 20th, Brook's Variation peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 14 mins. Tenor, 23½ cwt.

James George	1	James Wallis	5
Joseph Edwards	2	Thomas Wallis	6
Edward R. J. Dunk	3	Thos. Groombridge (condr.)	7
William Latter	4	Robert Stone*	8

[* First peal in the method.]

The Sussex County Association.

AT St. Mary Magdalene's, Bolney, Sussex, on November 27th, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins.

Keith Hart	1	George F. Attree	5
Frank Bennett	2	George A. King	6
George Smart	3	James N. Frossell	7
Edward C. Merritt	4	George Williams	8

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The St. James's Society.

At St. Martin's, Ruislip, Middlesex, on November 28th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 4 mins. Tenor, 19 cwt.

George Brush	1	William E. Judd..	5
Frederick Goddard	2	George A. Ransom	6
Ebenezer G. Bowtell*	3	W. E. Garrard (condr.)	7
Arthur E. Bradley*	4	Thomas Beadle	8

[* First peal.]

The Middlesex Association.

At Christ Church, Southgate, on November 26th, a peal of SUPER-LATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 18 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

John Miller	1	Alfred W. Brighton	5
Harry Hoskins	2	John R. Sharman..	6
Sidney Wade	3	James Parker	7
William Ward	4	Joseph Waghorn, jun.	8

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, conducted by James Parker.

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

At Rumburgh, Suffolk, on November 24th, on the occasion of the reopening of Rumburgh Church by the Bishop of Norwich, a peal of DOUBLES, 5040 changes, consisting of 720 each in the following methods: STEDMAN, CANTERBURY, MORNING STAR, APRIL DAY, PLAIN, GRAND-SIRE, and OLD DOUBLES. Tenor, 10 cwt.

T. Linton Wilson	1	Samuel Bird	3
Fred. C. Lambert (condr.)	2	Arthur H. Took	4
Charles Kerrison	5		

The Royal Cumberland Youths.

At St. Anne's, Highgate, on November 20th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 2 hrs. 56 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Harry Barton	1	Albert Pittam	5
Sidney Wade	2	Thomas Titchener	6
William Burrows	3	Henry Stubbs	7
William Ward	4	Arthur Jacob	8

Composed by the late George Newson, conducted by Arthur Jacob.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Mary's, Bow, E., on November 22nd, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Charles Dempsey*	1	Albert Hardy	5
York Green	2	Ebenezer Andrews*	6
Caleb Fenn*	3	Henry Springall	7
Thomas Faulkner..	4	Samuel Hayes	8

Composed by York Green, conducted by Henry Springall. The conductor's 111th peal. [* First peal in the method.]

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Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Youths: at St. James's, Clerkenwell, on December 15th; St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on December 17th.
Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on December 15th, and St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, on December 16th.
College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on December 13th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on December 14th; Christ Church, Spital-fields, on December 15th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on December 17th.—All about 8 p.m.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Surrey Association.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Mitcham, on November 23rd, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 52 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt.

Robert Sewell ..	1	Albert Calver ..	5
George Welling ..	2	Joseph Fayers ..	6
Joseph A. Lambert ..	3	William S. Smith (condr.) ..	7
Ernest C. Lambert ..	4	William Gray ..	8

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Sewell.

The Hertfordshire Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, Herts, on November 30th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 41 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

George Layzell ..	1	George N. Price ..	5
William J. S. Thorn ..	2	Walter H. L. Buckingham ..	6
Ernest E. Huntley (condr.) ..	3	William Hewitt ..	7
Frank A. Smith ..	4	Harry Mansfield ..	8

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

At St. Martin's, Tipton, on December 4th, a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES (Brook's Variation), 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 48 mins.

Adam H. Hill ..	1	Samuel Reeves (conductor) ..	5
William R. Small ..	2	William Micklewright ..	6
Thomas Horton ..	3	Charles H. Watts ..	7
Thomas Collinson ..	4	William James ..	8

St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.

At the Parish Church, Penn, Staffordshire, on November 27th, Thurstans' peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 45 mins.

Rowland Cartwright ..	1	William R. Small ..	5
William H. Godden ..	2	John Jagger ..	6
Robert Hunt ..	3	Samuel Reeves (conductor) ..	7
William Hancox ..	4	Charles H. Watts ..	8

This peal was rung at the first attempt, and is the first peal on the bells, which have been augmented to eight as a Jubilee commemoration by Messrs. J. Barwell, of Birmingham.

The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.

At St. Hilda's, Middlesborough, on November 29th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins.

Frederick Howcroft ..	1	John H. Jones ..	5
Richard Fenwick ..	2	Thomas Metcalfe ..	6
John W. Passman ..	3	John H. Blakiston ..	7
Charles Hall ..	4	William Newton ..	8

Tenor, 12 cwt. Composed by John Carter, conducted by J. H. Blakiston.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Sepulchre's, Holborn, on December 4th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 changes, in 3 hrs. 28 mins. Tenor, 32 cwt.

John N. Oxborrow ..	1	Charles T. P. Brice ..	6
William E. Garrard ..	2	Frederick Dench ..	7
Arthur G. Ellis ..	3	Alfred W. Brighton ..	8
Henry S. Ellis ..	4	Frank Buck ..	9
Samuel E. Andrews ..	5	Henry R. Newton ..	10

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, conducted by Henry R. Newton.

The Sussex County Association: the St. Peter's Society. Brighton.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Southover, Lewes, on November 30th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 7 mins.

George F. Attree ..	1	George A. King ..	5
Frank Bennett ..	2	George Smart ..	6
Keith Hart ..	3	James N. Frossell ..	7
Edward C. Merritt ..	4	George Williams ..	8

Composed by Charles Middleton, conducted by George Williams.

Also at St. Paul's, Brighton, on December 2nd, a peal of SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 2 hrs. 59 mins.

Frank Bennett ..	1	George F. Attree ..	5
George Smart ..	2	James N. Frossell ..	6
George A. King ..	3	Keith Hart ..	7
Arthur A. Fuller ..	4	George Williams ..	8

Composed by James S. Wilde, conducted by George Williams.

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'We were very anxious about her,' Mrs. Seymour said. 'She remained under Mr. Congreve's treatment for eighteen months. After the first two or three weeks she began to improve, and soon gained sixteen pounds in weight. She gradually got well. She was so ill when I took her to London that I was quite broken-hearted about her. She is my only daughter; but she is so much better now that she has gone on business in the town, and in two years and a half has long been away from work for three days.'

I have Mrs. Seymour's permission to publish this brief account of her daughter's illness and recovery.

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ALSO at St. Botolph's, Heene, Worthing, on December 3rd, a peal of NEW CUMBERLAND SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 53 mins. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

James N. Frossell ..	1	Keith Hart ..	5
George Baker ..	2	George F. Attree ..	6
Frank Bennett ..	3	George A. King ..	7
George Smart ..	4	George Williams ..	8

Composed by Henry Dains, conducted by George Williams.

This is the first peal of NEW CUMBERLAND SURPRISE on these bells.

AND at St. Andrew's, Steyning, on December 4th, a peal of GLOUCESTER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 3 hrs. 1 min. Tenor, 11½ cwt.

George A. King ..	1	Edward C. Merritt ..	5
George F. Attree ..	2	George Williams ..	6
Frank Bennett ..	3	James N. Frossell ..	7
George Smart ..	4	Keith Hart ..	8

Composed by the Rev. E. B. James, conducted by Keith Hart.

This is the first peal of GLOUCESTER SURPRISE by the Association, and was rung at the second attempt. It is also Mr. Merritt's 100th peal.

ST. MATTHEW'S, BETHNAL GREEN.—On November 27th, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, 1344 LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR in 46 mins. M. A. Wood, 1; J. Waghorn, jun., 2; F. S. Bayley, 3; J. C. Mitchell, 4; G. P. Burton, 5; H. Hoskins, 6; W. E. Garrard, 7; W. T. Cockerill (conductor), 8. Tenor, 14 cwt.

ALL HALLOWS BARKING, GREAT TOWER STREET.—On November 27th, 720 BOB MINOR, with 6-8 covering. D. Haslam, 1; H. Poulson, 2; J. Bradley, 3; T. H. Taffender, 4; W. Truss, 5; A. Linstead, 6; R. Grimwood (conductor), 7; J. Joyce, 8. On December 5th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 48 mins. D. Haslam, 1; F. Clements, 2; W. Berry, 3; T. H. Taffender (conductor), 4; F. C. Newman, 5; W. Truss, 6; H. Flanders, 7; J. Joyce, 8. [* First quarter-peal.]

ST. OLAVE'S, HART STREET, E.C.—On December 4th, for practice, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR. J. Barry, 1; J. Bradley, 2; R.

Foulson, 3; T. H. Taffender, 4; W. Truss, 5; W. Grimwood (conductor), 6.

PORTISHEAD, NEAR BRISTOL.—The two new bells to complete the octave arrived at Portishead Station on November 30th, and it is hoped they will be hung in the belfry before Christmas. The ringers and their friends have collected the amount required—nearly 70l.—in commemoration of the record reign.

COTTINGHAM, HULL.—It is a matter for congratulation that since the ring of bells in the parish church has been increased to eight, there has been no lack of volunteers who give up their time to learn the art of ringing them. There are now upwards of forty receiving tuition. These are divided into two sets, the men's and lads'. Mr. Stickney, of Hull, is the instructor; and he must feel gratified at the progress made by those under him, as they can now manage a little change-ringing.

ASKRIGG, YORKSHIRE.—The dedication of a new ring of six bells at St. Oswald's, Askrigg, where they have been placed as a Jubilee memorial, took place on November 11th. The Bishop of Richmond conducted the dedication service, the church being crowded. The cost is about 400l., inclusive of the necessary work for placing new flooring and woodwork for the rehanging of the bells. This work was intrusted to Messrs. Mallaby & Son, of Masham. Messrs. Warner, of London, recast the three old bells, and, with the addition of fresh metal, made a peal of six smaller bells. Mr. Mallaby brought bell-ringers from Masham and East Whitton. The former rang several half-peals of OXFORD TREBLE BOB and one peal of KENT TREBLE BOB. East Witton rang half-peals of OXFORD, a half-peal of DUKE OF YORK, and a half-peal of Kent.

PLYMOUTH.—It has been discovered recently that the beams which support the bells in Charles Church, Plymouth, are rotten and unsafe, and that to continue ringing the bells would be endangering the lives of the ringers. This news will come as a great disappointment to many. The bells are particularly harmonious, and their music will be missed by hundreds. It is hoped that the necessary repairs will not be delayed, but that steps will immediately be taken to have the matter attended to.

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MR. W. COOTER.

Wood, Lansdell, J. Mash, Bradley, S. Austin, and others, visiting any towers wherever practice was to be had. In his twenty-first year he rang his first peal with the St. James's Society—Grandsire Triples—Messrs. Comb, Pye, and Wood scoring their first peals on the same occasion. Mr. Cooter also took part in the first peals of Double Norwich, Superlative, and Stedman Cinqes, rung by the St. James's Society, of which he was elected Master in 1852. To the credit of this Society also is due a silent peal of Stedman Triples on handbells retained in hand, rung in March, 1854, by the subject of this memoir and Messrs. Haley, Cox, and Wood.

In the year 1846 Mr. Cooter was elected a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, of which he is still a most worthy supporter. In this Society he has discharged the offices of Steward, Master, and Secretary, the latter for several years, and has been instrumental in scoring for it great performances, being in the famous bands who rang long peals of Treble Bob at Spitalfields and Bethnal Green, and conducting the first true peal of Stedman Triples on handbells on January 20th, 1854, his colleagues then being Messrs. Ferris, Wood, and Dwight.

Mr. Cooter has been an exceptionally fine exponent of change-ringing for more than fifty-one years, and, though nearly seventy-three, may still be met at St. Paul's Cathedral every Sunday, where he very ably rings the third in three courses of Stedman Cinqes, under the conductorship of Mr. J. Pettit. It may be

interesting to add that for more than twelve months no touch had been repeated for the Sunday ringing.

Mr. Cooter's list of performances comprises 216 peals, of which twelve have been on handbells retained in hand, viz., four Grandsire Triples, two Stedman Triples, four Stedman Caters, and two Stedman Cinqes.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on December 22nd.
College Youths: at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on December 22nd;
St. Magnus', London Bridge, on December 23rd.
Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day, December 17th; St. Mary Magdalene, Islington, on December 22nd.—All about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At a meeting held at headquarters, Warwick Lane, E.C., on September 21st, it was resolved that a testimonial be presented to Mr. Matthew A. Wood, of Bethnal Green, as a mark of esteem and in appreciation of the good work he has done towards the advancement of change-ringing during the past fifty years. Subscriptions towards this object will be gladly received by any of the following Committee: Messrs. F. S. Bayley, Burkin, Butler, Cockerill, W. Davis (Liverpool), Dorrington, T. Hattersley (Sheffield), Horrex, Hughes, T. Mash, Newton, Prime, Pettit, F. W. J. Rees (Nayland, Colchester), W. D. Smith, Springall, Waghorn, jun., and Winney. Saturday, April 2nd, 1898, is the suggested date for the presentation to be made, of which further notice will be given.

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At St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Putney, on December 13th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 16 cwt.
George R. Fardon .. 1 | Frederick Dench .. 5
Arthur G. Ellis .. 2 | John N. Oxborough .. 6
Alfred W. Brighton .. 3 | Charles T. P. Brice .. 7
Henry S. Ellis .. 4 | Henry R. Newton .. 8
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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Paul's, Shadwell, on December 8th, a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES (Brook's Variation), 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 16½ cwt.
Samuel E. Joyce .. 1 | Ebenezer Andrews* .. 5
Thomas Faulkner .. 2 | Henry Springall (condr.) .. 6
Caleb Fenn* .. 3 | Emanuel Hall .. 7
Rowland Fenn* .. 4 | George Barrell* .. 8
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The Sussex County Association.

At St. Andrew's, Steyning, on December 7th, Parker's Twelve-part peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, in 2 hrs. 53 mins. Tenor, 11½ cwt.
Edwin Bristow .. 1 | John Smart .. 5
James Matthews .. 2 | Charles Smart (condr.) .. 6
Charles Tylar .. 3 | George Gatland .. 7
Horace Green .. 4 | Arthur Gatland .. 8

(For continuation of Bell-ringing see page 80.)

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William H. Barber .. 1-2	William Short 7-8
Frederick Clayton .. 3-4	Thomas Wakeman .. 9-10
Bernard Witchell (condr.) 5-6	Referee, Albert Walker.

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The Central Northamptonshire Association.

At the Parish Church, Kettering, on December 6th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 46 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

William Roughton .. 1	William R. Hensher .. 5
Ernest Underwood .. 2	Clifton Newman .. 6
Arthur Robinson .. 3	John D. Matthews (condr.) 7
Herbert J. Julian .. 4	George Toseland .. 8

GRUNDISBURGH, SUFFOLK.—On a Thursday evening, a few weeks ago, a service to dedicate the two new bells recently placed in the tower of Grundisburgh Church, as a permanent memorial of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, was held. The special dedication service was read by the Rector, the Rev. A. E. Flaxman. The Bishop of Norwich preached the sermon. Processional hymns were sung by the surpliced choir, Mr. S. C. R. Flaxman presiding at the organ. The National flag floated from the church tower. The ring now consists of eight bells, on which touches were rung during the day. The bells were supplied and hung by Messrs. Mallaby & Sons, of Masham, Yorkshire, and give general satisfaction.

PENRYN.—The Jubilee Bells Committee held its final meeting on November 15th, the Rev. A. A. Vawdrey presiding. The Treasurer (Mr. S. Williams) reported that nearly the whole balance of about 35l. had been collected by Mrs. Vawdrey, and the remainder, and what was required for new ropes, &c., had been promised by Mr. E. D. Anderton, so that one of the schemes for commemorating the Diamond Jubilee had been carried out most successfully. Dr. Donald was asked to inspect the work in company with Mr. Vivian, and the dedicatory services were duly held on Thursday, the 25th ult.

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LONG RISTON, HULL.—A meeting of parishioners, convened by the Rector to consider the gift of the new church bells by Mr. Bethel, took place in the schoolroom on Friday, November 26th. The meeting was presided over by the Rev. E. C. Little, who was supported by Mr. W. Bethell, the Rev. Max. W. Blakely, and Messrs. Drewery, Elvidge, and Shipley. The Rector proposed 'That the best thanks of the parishioners be given to Mr. Bethel, and that his generous gift be accepted with gratitude and pleasure.' Mr. Elvidge seconded, and it was carried. The inscriptions on the old bells are full of interest. One dates back to the fifteenth century, while the other dates from 1665, with the inscription in Latin—'To the glory of God alone.'

SEDBERGH, YORKSHIRE.—On St. Andrew's Day, the Bishop of Richmond dedicated a peal of eight bells (cast by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough) at St. Andrew's Church, Sedburgh. The church, which is a beautiful one of Norman and Perpendicular work, and holds 500 to 600 people, was densely crowded, nearly half of the church being given up to the Sedburgh School. Some stood throughout, and others even stood outside. Our special service of Dedication was used, during which two peals were rung, and the tenor bell (15 cwt.) was also rung alone. The church had originally only three bells, and these have been recast and the peal increased to eight. The gift of the bells was made by Mrs. Quick, the widow of a former vicar (1883-87), and the parishioners have raised a memorial at the same time, part of which consists of a very beautiful brass tablet, containing a reference to Mr. Quick's work, and bearing a copy of the inscriptions which are on the bells.

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Professor or Baker?

SIR,—In reply to the question at the end of Mr. Snowdon's letter in your issue of the 26th ult., may I be permitted to say that not only is there, so far as I have been able to discover, no evidence that any Cambridge professor, other than Dr. Mason, was interested in the science of ringing in Annable's time, but that the reasonable inference appears to be that no other Cambridge professor was interested in it? The lists of the then professors in the Cambridge University Calendar do not contain any other name that I have seen connected with the science; but that by itself would not amount to much. What is more to the point is that though the register of the Cambridge Youths appears to have been carefully kept, and copies of it were printed by the Society in the year 1838, one of which is among the Osborn collections, Dr. Mason's is the only professorial name to be found in the list. May we not fairly assume that had any other Cambridge professor of Annable's time interested himself in anything connected with ringing, he would have joined the Cambridge Society, as Dr. Mason and a few other graduates did during the period covered by this list?

Mr. Osborn does not seem to have gathered information as to ringing matters at Oxford at so early a date, and the professorial lists of that University appear to need supplementing from some other source before disclosing any one interested in change-ringing. Hearne, who died in 1735, though recording several peals at Oxford, does not—if Mr. Ellacombe's extracts from his diaries are complete—mention any Oxford graduates in connexion with the science.

Writing of Dr. Mason and Hearne prompts me to ask whether any one will kindly inform me if anything respecting the identity of the composer of Vicars' peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, beyond the statements in the late Mr. Snowdon's treatise, has been laid before the executive? If



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so, where can I find it? If not, is there any probability that the composer was John Vicars, second butler of New College, Oxford, who, according to Hearne, called a peal of 6876 GRANDSIRE CATERS at New College on the 20th March, 1735, and of whom he says: 'As to Mr. Vicars, he is very ingenious in the art of ringing, and is excellent in calling the Bobs and managing the music of ringing. I think he is one of the very best in England, as he is withal a very good ringer himself?' Also, are there any reasons for or against the possibility of the peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES rung by the Union Scholars on the 24th February, 1736 (Snowdon's *Grandsire*, page 127), 'prick'd and called by John Denmead,' being the anonymous peal in the *Clavis*?

May I, in conclusion, respectfully ask whether the Executive Committee of the Central Council is considering, or will consider, the possibility of arranging for the republication in some convenient form of the many articles of permanent interest to the exercise which have from time to time been contributed to the ringing papers?

Mr. Snowdon wishes to call the attention of the younger members of the craft to Dr. Mason's MSS. and Annable's Note-book. Would he not do so to more advantage if the reports on their contents, made by one of the most acute and patient of investigators, were more accessible than in a newspaper volume upwards of twenty years old?

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Waterloo Society.

At St. Peter's, Walworth, on December 18th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 52 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Harry Barton ..	1	George E. Symonds† ..	5
William H. Webber* ..	2	William H. Pasmore† ..	6
Frederick G. Perrin ..	3	Thomas Langdon (condr.) ..	7
Harry R. Pasmore* ..	4	John W. Golding* ..	8

[* First peal. † First peal in the method.]

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on December 18th, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 3½ mins. Tenor, 15½ cwt.

Robert J. Dawe* ..	1	Edward C. Merritt ..	5
Isaac G. Shade ..	2	Keith Hart ..	6
Frank Bennett ..	3	Harry Weston ..	7
John S. Goldsmith* ..	4	George Williams ..	8

Composed by Frank Bennett, conducted by George Williams. The first peal of MAJOR on the bells. [* First peal of LONDON SURPRISE.]

The Kent County Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the Parish Church, Sundridge, Kent, on December 15th, a peal of MINOR, being 720 of GRANDSIRE, two 720's each of PLAIN BOB, OXFORD, and KENT TREBLE BOB. Tenor, 15½ cwt.

Robert Stone ..	1	George Steer ..	4
George B. Selby ..	2	Henry J. Selby ..	5
David Wright ..	3	Thos. Groombridge (condr.) ..	6

This is the first peal of MINOR on the bells and by all the band.

The Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

At the Parish Church, Perry Barr, on December 14th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 48 mins.

Alfred Smith ..	1	Samuel Reeves (conductor) ..	5
William Ellis* ..	2	William H. Godden ..	6
George Mitchison ..	3	Charles Williams* ..	7
William Verry ..	4	G. S. Vaughan ..	8

[* First peal with a bob-bell.]

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Mary's Bow, E., on December 14th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

James Scholes ..	1	Ebenezer Andrews ..	5
Samuel E. Joyce ..	2	Samuel Hayes ..	6
Albert Hardy ..	3	Robert Grimwood ..	7
Henry Springall ..	4	Emanuel Hall ..	8

Composed by Thomas Lockwood, conducted by Henry Springall.

AND at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on December 18th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 3 hrs. 24 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

John J. Lamb ..	1	Isaac G. Shade ..	5
William Foreman ..	2	Frederick W. Thornton ..	6
Frederick S. Bayley ..	3	Joseph Waghorn, jun. ..	7
Rev. G. J. Bayley ..	4	Harry Flanders ..	8

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, conducted by Frederick S. Bayley.

ALSO at All Saints', Isleworth, on December 18th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 50 mins. Tenor, 18½ cwt.

George R. Fardon ..	1	Samuel E. Andrews ..	5
John N. Oxborrow ..	2	Henry S. Ellis ..	6
Charles T. P. Brice ..	3	Henry R. Newton (condr.) ..	7
George Mulley ..	4	Thomas Beadle ..	8

The Gloucester and Bristol Association.

At St. Mary's, Cheltenham, on December 13th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5031 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 22½ cwt.

Albert W. Humphris ..	1	Thomas R. Hooper* ..	8
Frederick Musby ..	2	William T. Peglar ..	7
Frederick G. May ..	3	Arthur E. Peglar ..	8
William T. Pates ..	4	Henry Roberts ..	9
John Austin ..	5	George H. Phillott ..	10

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, conducted by Henry Roberts. [* First peal in the method.]

WALWORTH.—At St. Peter's, on December 12th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 42 mins. H. Barton (conductor), 1; W. H. Pasmore, 2; F. G. Perrin, 3; H. R. Pasmore, 4; W. Truss, 5; A. R. Davis, 6; T. Langdon, 7; J. Golding, 8.

LAMBETH.—At St. Mary's, on December 12th, for afternoon service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 46 mins. J. Golding, 1; H. R. Pasmore, 2; W. E. Moss, 3; W. H. Webber, 4; W. S. Langdon, 5; T. Langdon (conductor), 6; W. H. Pasmore, 7; W. Stoneman, 8.

BARKING, ESSEX.—On December 19th, for evening service, 1232 DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR in 45 mins. T. Faulkner, 1; E. Lucas, 2; W. H. Dallimore, 3; C. Fenn, 4; R. Fenn, 5; A. W. Brighton (conductor), 6; E. Andrews, 7; A. Hardy, 8.

HEAVITREE, DEVONSHIRE.—A meeting was held at Heavitree on December 10th for the purpose of authorising the Churchwardens to apply for a faculty confirming the erection of the Jubilee ring of bells in the church tower.

BURNHAM, NEAR SLOUGH.—Originally the Burnham tower contained only five bells, but during this Diamond Jubilee year the authorities have added three new bells, making a very fair ring of eight. On Saturday, December 4th, eight members of the Oxford Guild from Reading journeyed to Burnham and rang a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5048 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins.

PORTISHEAD, NEAR BRISTOL.—The two new bells have been hung in the belfry, and on Sunday, December 12th, they were used for the first time. They are a decided improvement on the old ring of six bells, and the ringers are to be congratulated on the success crowning their efforts.

BURGESS HILL.—The tower of St. John's Church has been occupied by workmen preparing it to receive the three new bells which are to be the town's permanent memorial of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The tenor bell, weighing about 14 cwt., has the following inscription: 'This bell, and also the sixth and fourth, were cast and placed in this tower by the residents of Burgess Hill, in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Victoria, A.D. 1897.' The purpose of the bells is for the striking of the hours and quarters by the clock, which was placed in the tower on Jubilee year. The bells are tuned to form part of an eight-bell ring, which in time will, no doubt, be placed in the tower of the church.

The Plainsong and Mediaeval Music Society has just issued its ninth annual report, which shows that the Society is steadily advancing in popularity.

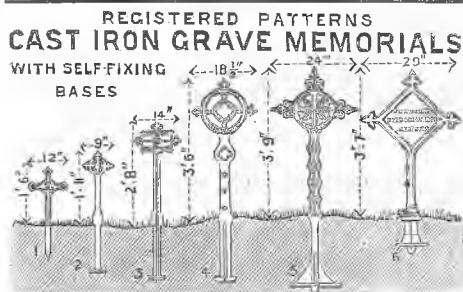
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THE CLERGYMAN'S READY REFERENCE DIARY AND KALENDAR FOR 1898 (Bemrose & Sons, Limited. Roan, gilt edges, 5s.), is prepared for the use specially of the clergy and their parish workers, and is admirably adapted for its purpose. The variety and accuracy of its information is surprising, and the 'special' section provides a diary and a number of registers, which would, if diligently kept, be a complete record of parochial affairs. Some additional pages of useful matter are added this year.

THE IAN MACLAREN KALENDAR, published by Messrs. Hodder & Stoughton, will be welcome to those who delight in this author's productions. It is illustrated with pictures, and contains a number of extracts from his works.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on January 5th.

College Youths: at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on January 5th; St. Magnus', London Bridge, on January 6th.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day, December 31st; St. Mary Magdalene, Islington, on January 5th.—All about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At a meeting held at headquarters, Warwick Lane, E.C., on September 21st, it was resolved that a testimonial be presented to Mr. Matthew A. Wood, of Bethnal Green, as a mark of esteem and in appreciation of the good work he has done towards the advancement of change-ringing during the past fifty years. Subscriptions towards the object will be gladly received by any of the following Committee: Messrs. F. S. Bayley, Burkin, Butler, Cockerill, W. Davis (Liverpool), Dorrington, T. Hattersley (Sheffield), Horrex, Hughes, T. Mash, Newton, Prime, Pettit, F. W. J. Rees (Nayland, Colchester), W. D. Smith, Springall, Waghorn, jun., and Winney. Saturday, April 2nd, 1898, is the suggested date for the presentation to be made, of which further notice will be given.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Gloucester and Bristol Association.

At St. George's, Dunster, Somerset, on St. Stephen's Day, December 26th, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 21 cwt.

Challis F. Winney (condr.)	1	John Pugsley	..	5
Thomas A. Elliott	2	Rev. H. C. Courtney	..	6
Robert Hile	3	James Grabham	..	7
Albert J. Chilcott	4	John Tudball	..	8

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At St. Peter's, Caversham, on December 20th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 2 hrs. 54 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Harry Simmonds	..	1	Joseph Hands	..	5
Richard T. Hibbert	..	2	George Essex	..	6
Edwin J. Menday	..	3	Henry Smith	..	7
Ernest W. Menday	..	4	Thomas Newman	..	8

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St. PAUL'S, SHADWELL.—On December 20th, for practice by the Ancient Society of College Youths, 1344 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR in 50 mins. E. Hall, 1; T. Faulkner, 2; C. Fenn, 3;

R. Fenn, 4; E. Andrews, 5; H. Springall (conductor), 6; S. Hayes, 7; A. Hardy, 8. The longest touch in the method by all.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPITALFIELDS.—On December 12th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 50 mins. Tenor, 33 cwt. J. Pettit (conductor), 1; J. Waghorn, jun., 2; G. J. Smith, 3; E. Wallage, 4; A. Coles, 5; J. Scholes, 6; E. Hall, 7; W. Prime, 8.

THE Bishop of Colchester went to Havering-atte-Bower, in Essex, on Monday last, to dedicate a peal of six bells, which had been presented by Mrs. MacIntosh, the Lady of the Manor, and three other parishioners, in commemoration of the Jubilee. An address was given by the Bishop, and the Rev. J. C. Barker, vicar of the parish, and several neighbouring clergy assisted in the service.

LONG ASHTON, NEAR BRISTOL.—On December 19th, Bishop Cheetham (representing the Archdeacon of Bath) conducted the service at All Saints' Church, Long Ashton, for the dedication of the three additional bells which Sir Greville Smyth has kindly presented to the church in commemoration of the Jubilee. Formerly there was a ring of six bells only, and now, thanks to the generosity of the Lord of the Manor, the church is in the possession of a full ring of eight. The three new bells represent the first, second, and seventh. They were cast by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, of London, who cast the others, and were hung by Mr. Blackburn, of Salisbury, in a new iron frame. The fact of the new bells being hung in a double tier has necessitated the raising of the church tower about eighteen inches and the putting in of a fine new oak roof. The expense of these alterations has been borne by the donor, who, it will be remembered, in 1868 presented to the church the tenor bell, which weighs 36 cwt., and is considered the largest bell in Somerset, with the exception of the big one at Wells. The new bells bear the following inscription: 'The gift of Sir J. H. Greville Smyth, Bart., Jubilee Commemoration, 1897. Lucius H. Deering, vicar; Thomas Dyke and W. J. Kempe, churchwardens.' In addition to the peal, the fifth bell of the old set, an interesting pre-Reformation bell, with the inscription, 'Sancte Johannes Baptista, ora pro nobis,' will be used for tolling.

MAYFIELD, SUSSEX.—'A Parishioner' has addressed the following to the editor of the *Sussex Express*:—'Sir,—There is something the matter with our church bells. We have for some time past missed the usual Saturday night ringing—the curfew bell seems not to be the same old bell of yore—and on Sundays we only get a half-hearted chiming and no ringing. One or two of the bells appear very weak and spasmodic in their efforts to make themselves heard. Surely after so many years of useful service, the good old bells are not becoming imbued with dissatisfaction, and contemplate going on—or rather off—strike, and, like the railway employees in the North, purpose choosing the festive season as their opportunity. What! Christmas and no merry bells! The New Year and no joyous peal! It must never be. Whatever can be wrong in the old bell tower of St. Dunstan's?'

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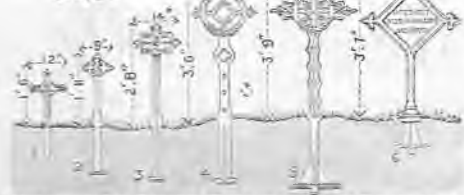
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(Ordinations will be continued next week.)

THE Queen's annual gifts to the poor of New Windsor, Holy Trinity, and Clewer were presented on Saturday morning. There were 937 recipients of the Royal bounty, which consisted of liberal gifts of meat and coals. During the distribution the parish church bells were rung. The total value of the Queen's bounty was about 200l. Her Majesty also contributed 100l. to the Royal Clothing Club in Windsor.

The Church of England Temperance Society will shortly publish in pamphlet form *Liquor and Labour: Are they Friends or Foes?* by a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society, being a reply to *The Fallacy of Teetotalers*, issued by Messrs. Peter Walker & Son on behalf of the trade, and laid before the Royal Commission on Liquor Licensing Laws now sitting.

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Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Youths: at St. James's, Clerkenwell, on January 12th; St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on January 14th.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on January 12th and St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, on January 13th.

College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on January 10th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on January 11th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on January 12th; St. John's, Wilton Road, on January 13th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on January 14th.—All about 8 p.m.

Opening of New Bells at Havering-atte-Bower, Essex.

ON Monday, Dec. 27th, six members of the Essex Association rang the following 720's and 120 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, being the first on the bells:—720 KENT TREBLE BOB (15 bobs), 720 BOB MINOR, 720 DOUBLE COURT BOB; 720 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE. W. Watson, 1; A. J. Perkins (conductor), 2; E. Pye, 3; G. R. Pye, 4; J. Dale, 5; W. Pye, 6. The assistant secretary (Rev. H. T. W. Eyre) and others also took part in some of the ringing. The Bishop of Colchester, with the local clergy, took part in the dedication service. The peal is in E flat (tenor, 16 cwt. 20 lbs.), and the work was carried out by Messrs. Warner & Sons, under the superintendence of Mr. E. Dunn. The treble bell was presented by Mrs. Pemberton-Barnes (Havering); the second by Mrs. Matthews (Marshall's Park, Romford); the third by Mr. Hope (Havering); Mrs. McIntosh (Lady of the Manor, Havering) gave the fourth, fifth, and tenor. The ringers were hospitably entertained by Mrs. McIntosh previous to the ringing. The bells were pronounced by all who heard them to be a fine ring of six.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Middlesex Association and the All Hallows', Tottenham, Society.

AT All Hallows', Tottenham, on New-year's Eve, with bells half-muffled, Hubbard's Five-part peal of BOB TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

James Ellis*	1	Walter Dickinson	5
Joseph Waghorn	2	Joseph Waghorn, jun.	6
Henry A. Barnett	3	Charles A. Button† (condr.)	7
Henry Doughty	4	William Martin	8

[* First peal. † First peal as conductor.]

(For continuation of Bell-ringing see page 140.)

CONSUMPTION

AND

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Interviews with Old Patients and New Cases

By Mr. CONGREVE'S COMMISSIONER.

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CONSUMPTION.

Miss Dickinson, whose address is given above was very pleased to give me, for publication, the particulars of her recovery from consumption. She said:

'Several relatives—uncles and cousins—have died of Consumption. I always had a short, annoying cough, but my illness really commenced with an attack of Influenza in January, 1893. Then the cough became bad. In April, 1896, I was very ill, and had to take to my bed. I had bad night-sweats, violent cough, loss of flesh and strength, and all the symptoms of active chest disease. Our family doctor ordered me to Blackpool, and for three weeks after my return I was better. But in May I brought up a large quantity of blood—and twice afterwards. On the advice of my brother, who lives in Harrogate, I wrote to Mr. Congreve, in June. I was getting on nicely, but in July had a relapse, caused by taking cold. Our doctor again attended me, and told my relatives there was not much hope for me; it was only a question of time. A physician called in for consultation said my right lung was 'patchy,' and would cause me to be an invalid for the rest of my life. Still persevering with Mr. Congreve's treatment, I pulled up lost ground, and made rapid progress to recovery. In September, I was much better, and with care got through the winter well. I am now able to get about, and during the last fortnight have again undertaken the ordinary duties of a household. For the great improvement in my health I am indebted to Mr. Congreve's medicine.

'I might add that I have a niece in Harrogate, a girl of fourteen, who has always been weak on her chest. She has taken the medicine for a long time, and her parents believe it is prolonging her life.'

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The Hertfordshire Association.

At St. Matthew's, Oxhey, on January 2nd, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 43½ mins.

Frederick Glennerster .. 1	Walter Norris .. 5
Charles George .. 2	Herbert Martin (condr.) .. 6
Walter H. L. Buckingham .. 3	Ernest E. Huntley .. 7
George N. Price .. 4	James Alexander .. 8

The Essex Association.

At St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on January 1st, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 changes, in 3 hrs. 23 mins. Tenor, 19 cwt.

William Coakham .. 1	Robert J. Maynard .. 6
Frederick Rumens .. 2	George B. Lucas .. 7
George Grimwade .. 3	Frederick A. Nunn .. 8
Charles Hopkins .. 4	William H. Freeman .. 9
William B. Manning .. 5	William Crockford .. 10

Composed by H. Cooper, conducted by W. B. Manning.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Mary's, New Shoreham, on January 1st, a variation of Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 42½ mins.

Charles Smart .. 1	George Gatland .. 5
Frank Bennett .. 2	Joseph Waghorn, sen. .. 6
Alfred Lawrence .. 3	George Williams (conductor) .. 7
John Smart .. 4	George Smart .. 8

The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for granting permission to attempt this peal.

At St. Peter's, Brighton, on December 31st, a peal of OXFORD SURPRISE MAJOR, 5376 changes, in 3 hrs. 22 mins.

George Williams .. 1	Keith Hart .. 5
George Smart .. 2	Harry Weston .. 6
Frank Bennett .. 3	James N. Frossell .. 7
George A. King .. 4	George F. Attree .. 8

Composed by George Williams, conducted by George F. Attree. This is the first peal of OXFORD SURPRISE ever rung.

At St. Botolph's, Heene, Worthing, on December 29th, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 47 mins.

John H. Price* .. 1	Henry Meetens .. 5
Harry Evans† .. 2	Benjamin Barrett* .. 6
Alfred Lawrence .. 3	Edmund Lindup .. 7
William Hillman .. 4	George Williams .. 8

Composed and conducted by George Williams. [* First peal of MAJOR. † First peal of MAJOR with a bob-bell.]

At St. Peter's, Henfield, on December 28th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 46 mins. Tenor, 15½ cwt.

Lazarus Payne .. 1	Alfred W. Groves .. 5
Henry Stringer .. 2	William John Alliss .. 6
George Gatland .. 3	George Payne (conductor) .. 7
Charles Tyler .. 4	Albert Heasman .. 8

At St. Andrew's, Steyning, on December 27th, a variation of Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 55 mins. Tenor, 11½ cwt.

George Williams (condr.) .. 1	George Payne .. 5
William J. Alliss .. 2	Arthur Gatland .. 6
Henry Stringer .. 3	George Gatland .. 7
John Smart .. 4	Arthur Hodges .. 8

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Crawley, on December 27th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 2 hrs. 57 mins. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

Robert Jordan .. 1	Frederick W. Cripps .. 5
John Rice .. 2	Edwin Jordan .. 6
Sidney Wade .. 3	James Parker .. 7
William Ward .. 4	Frederick W. Rice .. 8

Composed by Frederick Dench and conducted by James Parker.

The First Peal of Stedman Triples on Handbells.

The following old record has been sent us by Mr. George Williams, of Brighton, in reference to the statement on page 78 (December 17th) that the first true peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES on handbells was rung on January 20th, 1854:—

'On Monday, December 19th, 1853, four members of the London Cumberland Society of Change-ringers met at the "Three Kings," Clerkenwell, London, and succeeded in ringing on handbells in hand a true peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, consisting of 5040 changes, which was brought round in excellent style in 2 hours 40 minutes. Performers:—

Mr. John Cox .. 1 & 2	Mr. Hy. Wm. Haley .. 5 & 6
Mr. Thomas Powell .. 3 & 4	Mr. Thos. Britten .. 7 & 8

Conducted by Mr. John Cox. The above was the first peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES ever rung in hand, and was performed in the presence of nine-

teen members of the College Youths and Cumberland Societies, including Mr. J. Miller, Mr. C. Andrews, Mr. E. Stokes, Mr. J. Fairbairn, Mr. Burwash, &c. Several of them had figures of the peal, and ticked off the sixes as they were rung.'

SOUTH PETHERWYN, CORNWALL.—The finishing touch to the restoration of South Petherwyn Church has been given by the rehanging of the bells and the addition of a new treble. There is now a capital ring of six in the key of F—tenor about 15 cwt. On the 22nd ult., after evensong, the Ven. H. H. Du Boulay, archdeacon of Bodmin, dedicated the bells, and preached from Ps. lxxxi. 3. After dwelling on the lessons to be learnt from the messages of the bells, he concluded by an earnest exhortation to the bell-ringers to show by their lives how they valued their office in the Church.

PLYMOUTH.—A special service was held on Thursday morning, December 23rd, at St. Matthias' Church, Plymouth, to dedicate a tower bell which was recently presented anonymously to the church. St. Matthias' was built twelve years ago, and the fine tower had never had a bell in it hitherto. The bell was recently removed from St. George's Church, Stonehouse. The Vicar said he hoped the dedication of the bell would remind his friends how very much better a peal of bells would be in their handsome tower.

LEDGBURY, HEREFORDSHIRE.—The beautiful tower of Ledbury Church contains a ring of eight bells, which have been silent for nearly two years, on account of the defective state of the frame-work. It was found advisable to quarter-turn the bells, a fear being expressed that if this were not done they would be cracked. The work of restoration has now been completed, and on Christmas Eve a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES of 5040 changes was rung. The expense of the restoration has been defrayed by Mr. M. A. Wood, of Ledbury, and his three brothers, as a memorial to their late uncle, Mr. E. J. Webb, of Ledbury.

PULBOROUGH, SUSSEX.—The service of the dedication of the church bells of St. Mary's Church, Pulborough, as a memorial of the sixtieth year of the reign of Her Majesty the Queen was held on Monday, December 20th, Dr. Wilberforce, the bishop of Chichester, attending to conduct the ceremony. The visit would probably have been earlier, but for two or three reasons, one being that the work could not be ready sooner, for it was found that upon increasing the bells from five to eight, the old framework was really in a dangerous condition. The framework has now been replaced with a substantial iron frame.

NOTE.—The peal rung at Dunster, on December 26th, should have been headed Bath and Wells Association, in last week's issue.

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On November 16th, 1897, Mr. Prime was elected Master of the Ancient Society of College Youths for the ensuing year, having previously filled the offices of Junior and Senior Stewards.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

THE bells will be rung on all Sundays throughout the year 1898, at 10 a.m. and 2.45 p.m. Also on the following days:—

Saturday, Jan. 1 (New Year's Day)	9 to 10 a.m.
Tuesday, Jan. 25 (Dedication Festival)	9 to 10 a.m. & 6 to 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 11 (Sons of the Clergy Festival)	2.30 & 5 p.m.
Tuesday, May 24 (Queen's Birthday)	9 to 10 a.m., and 6 to 7 p.m.
Thursday, May 19 (Ascension Day)	9.30 a.m. & 2.45 p.m.
Monday, June 20 (Queen's Accession)	9 to 10 a.m., and 6 to 7 p.m.
Monday, Oct. 10 (Harvest Thanksgiving)	6 to 7 p.m. and after the service.
Tuesday, Nov. 1 (All Saints')	9 to 10 a.m. & 6 to 7 p.m.
Wednesday, Nov. 9 (Lord Mayor's Day)	1 p.m. & 6 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 24 (Christmas Eve)	9 to 10 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 25 (Christmas Day)	10 a.m., 2.45 & 6.30 p.m.
Saturday, Dec. 31 (New Year's Eve)	9 to 10 p.m.

On the following Tuesday evenings at 8 p.m. for practice:—Jan. 11th, Feb. 8th, May 3rd and 31st, June 28th, July 26th, Aug. 23rd, Sept. 20th, Oct. 18th, and Nov. 15th.

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 (1898):—

TWELVE BELLS.

St. Saviour's, Southwark, occasional.	
St. Giles's, Cripplegate, Tuesday*	} At one of these churches Jan. 25th, and every four weeks. Notice will be given in this paper.
St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside	
St. Michael's, Cornhill†	

These are the Official Meetings of the Company.

* No ringing during Lent and Advent.

† No ringing during Lent.

After ringing in the tower at St. Paul's and at either of the above churches, the members adjourn to the Society's Headquarters, the 'Coffee Pot,' Warwick Lane, City of London (near St. Paul's Cathedral), for the purpose of transacting the Company's business.

TEN BELLS.

St. Magnus the Martyr, Thames Street, Thursday, 7.30 p.m., and every fortnight from Jan. 6th.

Allhallows, Lombard Street, occasional.

St. Dunstan's, Stepney, Monday, every fortnight from Jan. 3rd.

St. Mary's, Walthamstow, every Saturday, 7.30, and every Sunday for morning and evening service.

EIGHT BELLS.

St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, every Sunday, 10 a.m.

St. John's, Hackney, Tuesday, every fortnight from Jan. 4th. On Sunday, Jan. 23rd, at 6 p.m., and every fourth Sunday.

St. Paul's, Shadwell, Wednesday, occasional.

St. Matthew's, Upper Clapton, Thursday, occasional.

St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, Wednesday, every fortnight from Jan. 5th.

St. Mary's, Stratford, Bow, Monday, every fortnight from Jan. 10th; and at 6 p.m. the first Sunday in the month.

Christ Church, Spitalfields, Wednesday, every fortnight from Jan. 12th.

St. John's, South Hackney, occasional.

St. Gabriel's, Pimlico, at 6 p.m. every alternate Sunday from Jan. 9th.

St. Stephen's, Rochester Row, Westminster, every Friday evening at 7.30, and every Sunday morning, 10 to 11.

All Saints', Edmonton, every Monday evening at 8 o'clock, and every Sunday for the morning and evening services.

Meetings for Practice.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on January 19th.

College Youths: at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on January 19th; St. Magnus', London Bridge, and St. John's, Wilton Road, on January 20th.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day, January 14th; St. Mary Magdalene, Islington, on January 19th.—All about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

TWELVE members of this society propose attempting 10,000 STEDMAN CINQUES, at St. Michael's, Cornhill, to-morrow (January 15th), at 2 p.m.

AT a meeting held at headquarters, Warwick Lane, E.C., on September 21st, it was resolved that a testimonial be presented to Mr. Matthew A. Wood, of Bethnal Green, as a mark of esteem and in appreciation of the good work he has done towards the advancement of change-ringing during the past fifty years. Subscriptions towards the object will be gladly received by any of the following Committee: Messrs. F. S. Bayley, Burkin, Butler, Cockerill, W. Davis (Liverpool), Dorrington, T. Hattersley (Sheffield), Horrex, Hughes, T. Mash, Newton Prime, Pettit, F. W. J. Rees (Nayland, Colchester), W. D. Smith, Springall, Waghorn, jun., and Winney. Saturday, April 2nd, 1898, is the suggested date for the presentation to be made, of which further notice will be given.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. George's-in-the-East, on January 8th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 22 mins. Tenor, 30 cwt.

James Scholes 1	Samuel E. Joyce 5
Henry Springall 2	Samuel Hayes 6
Thomas Faulkner 3	Albert Hardy 7
Ebenezer Andrews .. 4	William T. Cockerill .. 8

Composed by John H. Barratt and conducted by Henry Springall. This is the first peal in the method on these bells.

AND at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on January 8th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 17 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

Charles T. P. Brice .. 1	Henry R. Newton .. 5
Arthur G. Ellis 2	Henry S. Ellis 6
Samuel E. Andrews .. 3	James Willshire 7
George W. Mulley .. . 4	John N. Oxborrow .. . 8

Composed by Frederick Dench, conducted by John N. Oxborrow.

The Waterloo Society.

At St. John's, Waterloo Road, on January 8th, a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES (Brook's Variation), 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 20 cwt.

Harry R. Pasmore .. . 1	Thomas Langdon .. . 5
William Langdon .. . 2	Arthur R. Davis .. . 6
Harry Barton 3	Victor W. West (condr.) 7
William H. Pasmore .. . 4	William H. Webber .. . 8

The Middlesex County Association.

At Christ Church, Southgate, on January 4th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

Joseph Waghorn, jun. .. 1	Herbert W. Newby* .. 5
Jo-e-ph Waghorn 2	John R. Sharman .. . 6
Sidney Wade* 3	James Parker (conductor) 7
Isaac G. Attwater* .. . 4	Arthur Miller* 8

[* First peal of STEDMAN.]

ALSO at Christ Church, Southgate, on January 8th, Haley's Variation of Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins.

Joseph Waghorn .. . 1	James Parker 5
J. Waghorn, jun.† (condr.) 2	Arthur Miller* .. . 6
Sidney Wade 3	John R. Sharman .. . 7
Herbert Newby 4	John Miller 8

[* First peal of STEDMAN with a bob-bell. † First peal of STEDMAN as conductor.]

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

At the Parish Church, Wellingborough, on December 28th, 1897, by the local ringers, a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 4 mins. Tenor, 30 cwt., in D.

G. Turnell* 1	F. Wood 5
T. R. Hensher 2	C. W. Clarke 6
W. Wood 3	W. H. Ette* 7
F. Underwood* .. . 4	T. Craddock* 8

Composed by John Carter, of Birmingham; conducted by C. W. Clarke, of Bedford. This is the first peal on Wellingborough bells. The ringers of the treble and tenor are the senior members of the Company, having joined it over ten years ago. It was the desire of the Wellingborough ringers to ring the first peal on their bells some time during the Diamond Jubilee year, and although several previous attempts have failed, yet the peal was accomplished on this occasion, and well and truly rung. A tablet will be placed in the belfry to record the achievement. [* First peal.]

Tipton, Staffordshire.

On Saturday, January 8th, at the Church of St. Martin, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 34 mins. Tenor, 22 cwt. 25 lbs.

William Rock Small .. 1	Harry Mills 5
Adam Hickman Hill (condr.) 2	Thomas Horton .. . 6
Frederick Bywater .. . 3	William James .. . 7
George James 4	Reuben Hall 8

The ringer of the 5th came from Smethwick; the ringers of the 6th and tenor from West Bromwich. This is the quickest peal rung on the bells.

ST. MARTIN'S, HAVERSTOCK HILL.—On Sunday, January 9th, for evening service, 720 PLAIN BOB MINOR. E. Time (first 720), 1; N. Alderman, 2; E. Bonfield (first 720 with a bob-bell), 3; R. Bevan, 4; W. Nudds, 5; G. Smith (conductor), 6.

WOODBURY, DEVONSHIRE.—The ancient Church of St. Swithun, Woodbury, is undergoing renovation and repair, the principal work including the rehanging of the six bells in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The work has been intrusted to Mr. W. Stokes, of Woodbury. The first, or treble, was cast in Exeter in 1737. It bears the motto, 'On Earth Peace.' The estimated weight of this bell is 7 cwt. The second bell was cast by John Brydan in 1624. Its weight is 8½ cwt. The third was cast by Thomas Brydan in 1605. Estimated weight, 10 cwt. The fourth is a medieval bell, and was in the tower in the time of Henry VIII., and has never been recast. Weight, 14 cwt. There is a Latin inscription upon it, the English of which is, 'Holy Mary, pray for us.' The fifth bell was cast by Thomas Perdue in 1677. The same founder also cast the seventh and ninth and Great Peter bells of Exeter Cathedral. On the fifth bell is the inscription: *AN*NO*DO*MI*NI*1667* *N*NC*H*C*W*T*P*** The tenor was cast by Thomas Pennington in 1629. The inscription reads, 'Richard Pearse, Churchwarden, Draw: Near: VNTO: GOD.' T. Belbie rehung the bells in 1770, but used the old timber. The timber is now being given by the Hon. Mark Rolle. On the north side of the church is a slab, the date almost obliterated. One can trace the letters and figures 'A.D. 16.' The inscription is very quaint. It reads:—

'He first deceased herr,
Shew for a little tryed
To live without himm;
Didn't like it. Dyed!'

IN MEMORIAM: FREDERICK STILL.—In the well-cared for 'God's Acre' of St. Mary the Virgin, Speldhurst, on Thursday, December 23rd, with every mark of respect and affection, the mortal remains of the above ringer, in his seventy-fifth year, were laid to rest after a short illness. He was a firm friend, a loyal Churchman, and a thorough ringer; to him the Speldhurst belfry, where he rang steadily and conscientiously for forty-nine years, is much indebted: his place in his parish will never be filled; he was a steadfast friend to his rector, who will ever remember him with gratitude. He was a member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, and his brother members have written numerous letters to regret his loss. But God called him, and he now lies in his narrow home, within sight and sound of the beautiful bells he loved so well, and rang so skillfully.

'Father, in Thy tender keeping
Leave we now Thy servant sleeping.'

R. M. L.

THE Royal Sea-bathing Infirmary, founded at Margate, 1791, has received a special donation of 297l. 10s. from the Prince of Wales's Hospital Fund in commemoration of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee. The good work of this institution well deserves a much more liberal recognition by the public than it receives.

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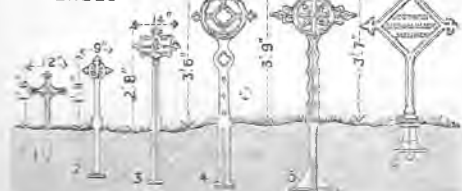
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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Middlesex County Association.

At the Church of St. John-the-Divine, Barnet, on January 13th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 24 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

Sidney Wade 1	Alfred W. Brighton 5
Joseph Waghorn, jun. .. 2	John R. Sharman 6
Charles H. Martin, 3	James Parker 7
William Ward 4	Frederick Dench 8

Composed by Frederick Dench, conducted by James Parker. [* First peal in the method, also first in the method on the bells.]

The St. Luke's, Chelsea, Society and the St. James's Society.

At St. Luke's, Chelsea, on January 1st, 1898, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATER, 5021 changes, in 3 hrs. 19 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

William H. Webber* .. 1	Henry S. Ellis 6
Henry Langdon 2	George R. Fardon 7
William E. Moss† .. 3	Thomas E. Barber 8
William S. Langdon .. 4	John N. Oxborrow 9
Henry R. Newton 5	George T. Chesterman .. 10

Composed by the late John Cox and conducted by George R. Fardon. [* First peal on ten bells. † First peal.]

The St. Mary-le-Tower Society, the Ancient Society of College Youths, and the Norwich Diocesan Association.

At the Church of St. Mary-le-Tower, Ipswich, on January 8th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 31 mins. Tenor, 32 cwt.

Stephen Cook 1	Frederick Tillett 5
Albert Durrant 2	William Woods 6
William Motts 3	James Motts 7
William L. Catchpole .. 4	Robert H. Brundle 8

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff and conducted by James Motts. First peal in the method by all the band.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Southover, Lewes, on January 17th, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins.

Alfred J. Turner 1	John S. Goldsmith 5
Keith Hart 2	George A. King 6
Edward C. Merritt 3	James N. Frossell 7
Frank Bennett 4	George Williams 8

Composed by Henry Dains and conducted by George Williams.

The Bedfordshire Association.

At St. Paul's Bedford, on January 11th, a peal of BOB ROYAL, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 30 mins. Tenor, 28 cwt.

Harry Toll 1	Frank Hull 6
Charles Chasty 2	Herbert Sharp 7
Edgar Tingey 3	Isaac Hills 8
William J. Barker 4	Harry Tysoe 9
Charles R. Lilley 5	Charles Wm. Clarke .. 10

Composed by Arthur Knights and conducted by Chas. W. Clarke. The first peal of BOB ROYAL by all the band.

ST. MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER.—On January 9th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE CATER, 1278 changes, in 49 mins. W. H. Webber, 1; W. S. Langdon, 2; A. Hardy, 3; A. Davis, 4; G. E. Symonds, 5; H. N. Davis (composer), 6; H. Barton (conductor), 7; T. Langdon, 8; V. W. West, 9; J. W. Golding, 10.

ST. PETER'S, WALWORTH.—On January 9th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 41 mins. F. G. Perrin, 1; W. H. Webber, 2; H. N. Davis, 3; W. S. Langdon, 4; W. H. Pasmore, 5; A. R. Davis, 6; G. E. Symonds (conductor), 7; J. W. Golding, 8.

GREENWICH.—At St. Alfege's, on January 16th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes (Thurstans'), in 46 mins. I. G. Shade, 1; J. J. Lamb, 2; W. Berry, 3; W. Foreman, 4; H. Flanders, 5; F. S. Bayley, 6; H. Hoskins (conductor), 7; F. W. Thornton, 8.

BRISTOL.—At St. James's, on January 10th, for practice, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 52 mins. H. Wav, 1; P. Porch, 2; F. C. Pearce, 3; W. H. Short, 4; F. T. Jewell, 5; W. R. Paddock, 6; W. W. Porch (conductor), 7; W. Harrington, 8.

CHEW MAGNA, SOMERSET.—By the exertions of the parishioners sufficient funds have now been raised to enable them to ask for tender, for the recasting and rehanging of the church bells; and at a committee meeting the tender of Mr. Blackburn, of Salisbury, was accepted at 431l. The work is to be put in hand forthwith.

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The Bells at St. Mary's, Stockport.

THE Church of St. Mary, Stockport, for hundreds of years has possessed a ring of bells. The first mention of the bells is in the writing of the commissioners appointed by Henry VIII. to inquire into the Church's property in the Macclesfield Hundred. The return of these commissioners is dated 1548, and shows that at that time Stockport had had a 'rynge of iiii. (4) belles.' In an inventory of the property belonging to the church, taken in 1603, and entered in the churchwardens' books for that year, it is stated that there were 'five bells in the steeple and one little bell at ye east end of ye church.' In 1731, the five bells were sent to Rudhall, of Gloucester, to be exchanged for a ring of six, which were placed in the tower towards the close of the year 1731.

In the year 1810, the steeple, through its insecure state, had to be taken down, and when rebuilt these six bells were sold to the inhabitants of Marple, and were placed in the belfry of All Saints' Church in that village. The old bells being disposed of, the trustees called in the assistance of John Rudhall, of Gloucester. Eight new bells were decided upon, and these were placed in the tower in 1817, being as follows:—

- Treble.—'Church and King, 1817.'
- 2.—'Prosperity to the town and parish, 1817.'
- 3.—'These bells were all cast at Gloucester, by John Rudhall, 1817.'
- 4.—'S. Jowett, T. Gates, J. Minshall, and James Rixon, churchwardens.'
- 5.—'John Arderne, William Davenport, William Fox, Thomas Leigh, Principales Præpositi.'
- 6.—'Lord and Lady Warren Bulkeley, Patrons, 1817.'
- 7.—'Rev. Charles K. Prescott, B.D., rector; Rev. E. Hanwell and Rev. K. Prescott, M.A., curates.'

Tenor.—'I call in prayer the living to combine, the dead must hear a louder sound than mine.'

As a means of celebrating Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee the bells were taken from the tower in the month of September last, and were conveyed to Messrs. John Taylor & Co.'s works, at Loughborough. On December 3rd the bells were brought back to Stockport, with two additional ones. The new ring therefore consists of ten bells, which have iron headstocks with steel gudgeons and gunmetal bearings, and are hung in an iron frame on steel girders. The tenor bell had by some accident lost a piece out of the lip, weighing about 14 lbs., and it was found necessary to recast it, and this now bears the following inscription:—

'This bell was recast A.D. 1897, the 60th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. Rev. William Symonds, M.A., rector; Geo. Leah, Henry Clarke, Henry Gregory, John James Sidebotham, wardens; George Fredk. Tatton, superintendent of Sunday schools.

'I call in prayer the living to combine;
The dead must hear a louder sound than mine.—1817.'

The other seven bells have been turned, and of the two additional trebles, one bears the inscription, 'Voce mea Dominum,' and is the gift of the Rev. Canon Symonds and Lieut.-Colonel Leah. The other bell is inscribed, 'Deus Laudam, A.D. 1897. Gift of two brothers, Thomas W. Blackshaw, born 1849, and Joseph Blackshaw, born 1852. Both baptized in this church.'

The work of rehangng the bells was completed on December 18th, and before the workmen went away the ringers ascended the tower and tried the bells. All were satisfied with the trial, and it is also a satisfaction to those concerned that the work has now been successfully completed.

HEAVITREE, DEVONSHIRE.—The Heavitree Bell Committee have almost concluded their labours. From their report we learn that the tenor was given by Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Sanders, No. 7 by the Misses E. and A. Holmes, and No. 6 by Mr. R. N. G. Baker, leaving the Committee with five bells to procure. Further assistance came by the sale of the four old bells, experts having strongly condemned their retention with the new. For the purpose of lessening the balance required, the bell firms were asked to state what they would allow for the old bells off their tendering prices, and their offer equalled the cost of Nos. 5 and 3. The Committee then decided to look around for subscriptions for Nos. 1, 2, and 4, to make an octave, with bell-frame and fixing securely in the belfry. The Committee earnestly endeavoured to set in a 30-cwt. tenor peal, estimated at 935l. The subscriptions not coming to the required amount, the General Committee felt compelled to relinquish the heaviest peal and to order the 25-cwt. tenor instead, at a cost of 790l. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. A. Brooking, received sixteen tenders from the chief bell-founders in the United Kingdom, and the order was eventually placed in the hands of Messrs. John Taylor & Co., Loughborough.

WHISTON, NORTHANTS.—On January 8th, a party of ringers from Doddington and Wilby (all being members of the Central Northamptonshire Association) visited Whiston, and rang nine Six-scores of GRAND-SIRE DOUBLES (all called differently) on the ancient ring of bells in the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. H. Fowler (Whiston), 1; C. Fairrey (Wilby), 2; C. Chapman (Doddington), conductor, 3; T. Fowler (Wilby), 4; E. Chapman (Doddington), 5. Whiston bells were rehung a short time ago in iron frames in modern style. The Rector, the Rev. the Hon. L. C. R. Irby, bore one-third of the cost, and Lord Boston, the patron of the living, the remainder. The weights of the bells as they now hang are—Treble, 4 cwt. 1 qr. 20 lbs. Second, 5 cwt. 3 qrs. 9 lbs. Third, 8 cwt. 2 qr. 14 lbs. Fourth, 10 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lbs. Tenor, 15 cwt. 0 qr. 4 lbs. The diameter of the tenor is 42½ inches. It is one of those rich-toned bells turned out from the old Leicestershire foundry of the Watts family about the middle of the seventeenth century, being one year older than the heavy tenor bell of Wellingborough. The latter was cast by the same founder, 1639, and Whiston tenor, 1638.

STONEHOUSE, DEVON.—A largely attended meeting of ringers and those interested in bells was held in St. George's Church Vestry on January 10th, when an address was given by the Rev. Maitland Kelly, vicar of Ottery St. Mary, rural dean, and president of the Devon Guild of Ringers. The Vicar said they had met to form themselves into a parish branch of the Devon Guild, and also to hear an address from the President of the Guild. He had much pleasure in calling upon Mr. Kelly to address them. Mr. Kelly explained the objects of the Guild, which were (1) to define the true position of the ringer, and to make it clear that ringing was a definite part of Church work, the same as singing in the choir; and (2) to raise the tone of ringers, and do away with belfry abuses and all unseemly conduct on the part of ringers; (3) to create an interest in ringers, and to do away with ringing merely for money payment; (4) to stimulate an interest on the part of the ringers in scientific change-ringing.

In the account of the peal rung at Wellingborough which appeared last week, it was stated by a printer's error that the ringers of the treble and tenor were the senior members of the Company, having joined it over ten years ago. It should have been over thirty years ago.

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LONGING FOR REST. Song. Words by A. Duncan Goody. Music by J. Allanson Benson.—A song with a 'moral,' well written and singable, and possessed of the extra attraction of accompaniments, *ad lib.* for violin and harmonium, in addition to the piano part.

SIX COUNTRY SKETCHES. Two-part songs. Words by Florence Hoare. Music by Myles B. Foster.—The titles of the six pieces are 'By the River,' 'In the Orchard,' 'Hay-making,' 'The Hunt,' 'The Picnic,' and 'A Moonlight Ramble.' They should be particularly useful as school songs. The words are well written, and the music is graceful, pleasing, and appropriate.

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Magazines.

THE EXPOSITORY TIMES.—The Rev. A. Robertson, principal of King's College, London, writes very ably concerning Dr. Lisco's 'Second Corinthians,' and Professor Sayce continues his 'Archæological Commentary on Genesis.' 'Did the Sun and the Moon stand still?' by the Rev. John Reid, of Dundee, is a thoughtful and useful article.

THE ENGLISH ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE.—'How to reach Klondyke' is a question which has doubtless exercised the minds of many thousands of people anxious to visit that extraordinarily rich gold-producing country, and Mr. W. A. Baillie-Grohman's article is therefore likely to be widely read. It is filled with useful information, and the illustrations are very realistic. 'The Queen's Personal Interest in India' is a capital article by Rafiuddin Ahmad, who pleasingly relates how Her Majesty has endeared herself to the people of Hindustan. This article is illustrated by a number of portraits. 'Monarchs at Home: The King and Queen of the Belgians,' is a well-written article by Mary Spencer Warren. Amongst other noteworthy contributions is one on 'The Great Adventurer: Studies and Sketches of the First Napoleon.'

THE STUDIO has five supplemental plates. Mr. Gerald Moira's paintings and bas-relief decorations are conscientiously dealt with by Mr. Gleeson White, whose article is very freely illustrated; Mr. Arnold Mitchell gives some designs for a modern English country house, and Mr. F. Wedmore contributes a well-written article on Mr. Francis E. James's water colour paintings. 'Studio Talk' is, as usual, charmingly written.

THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS has for its frontispiece a portrait of Prince Henry of Prussia. Mr. Stead advances 'The New Policy for the New Time,' which was the subject of our leader last week; there is an interesting illustrated article on 'John Ruskin: Poet, Painter, and Prophet,' and a review of 'The Autobiography of Joseph Arch,' by the Countess of Warwick, upon whom the career of this sometime agitator appears to have made a deep impression.

THE HOMILETIC REVIEW opens with an article on 'Pulpit Style,' by Professor W. Garden Blaikie, D.D., LL.D., New College, Edinburgh, who remarks that 'There is often to be found a prejudice against attention to pulpit style, arising from a false idea of the end designed to be served by it,' and points out that it must be remembered that in its true and highest purpose the sermon should be spoken, not read. The remainder of the contents include some hints for funeral sermons.

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Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on February 2nd.

College Youths: at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on February 2nd; St. Magnus', London Bridge, and St. John's, Wilton Road, on February 3rd.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day, January 28th; St. Mary Magdalene, Islington, on February 2nd.—All about 8 p.m.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

THE next meeting of this Guild will be held at Christ Church, Bootle, on Saturday, February 5th. Bells ready, 3 p.m.; service, 4.15; hot-pot supper, 5.30 p.m. Business meeting, 6 p.m.

REV. W. T. BULFIT, } Hon. Secs.
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The Kent County Association of Change-ringers.

ASHFORD DISTRICT.—A district meeting will be held at Willesborough on Saturday afternoon, February 5th. No allowances.

C. WILFRID BLAXLAND, District Hon. Sec.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At a well-attended meeting held at headquarters, Warwick Lane, E.C., it was resolved that a testimonial be presented to Mr. Matthew A. Wood, of Bethnal Green, as a mark of esteem and in appreciation of the good work he has done towards the advancement of change-ringing during the past fifty years. Subscriptions towards the object will be gladly received by any of the following Committee: Messrs. F. S. Bayley, Burkin, Butler, Cockerill, W. Davis (Liverpool), Dorrington, T. Hattersley (Sheffield), Horrex, Hughes, T. Mash, Newton, Prime, Pettit, F. W. J. Rees (Nayland, Colchester), W. D. Smith, Springall, Waghorn, jun., and Winney. Saturday, April 2nd, is the suggested date for the presentation to be made, of which further notice will be given.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

AT St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, on January 22nd, a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (Holt's Original), in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 14½ cwt

Matthew A. Wood	1	Arthur Hughes	5
William D. Smith	2	Samuel Joyce	6
Arthur W. Barkus	3	Joseph West	7
Thomas Hattersley	4	Albert Coles	8

Conducted by Thomas Hattersley, of Sheffield.

The Ancient Society of College Youths and the St. Stephen's, Westminster, Society.

ON Monday, January 24th, at St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Patney, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5184 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt.

George Langford	1	Frederick Dench (composer)	5
Arthur G. Ellis	2	Samuel E. Andrews	6
Henry R. Newton	3	Charles T. P. Brice	7
Henry S. Ellis	4	J. N. Oxborrow (conductor)	8

The Hertfordshire Association.

AT St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, on January 19th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 49 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Fredk. J. Glennerster	1	William Hewitt	5
Walter Norris	2	Herbert Martin	6
Charles George	3	Ernest E. Huntley	7
George M. Price (condr.)	4	James Scott	8

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 200.)

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The Essex Association.

At St. Peter-ad-Vincula, Great Coggershall, Essex, on January 15th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 6336 changes, as a birthday compliment to Mr. D. Elliott, in 3 hrs. 57 mins. Tenor, 22 cwt.

Richard Potter 1	John Sadler 5
William Keeble 2	Charles Norfolk 6
William Dyer 3	Ernest W. Beckwith 7
William Elliott 4	David Elliott 8

Composed by A. Knights, conducted by David Elliott.

The Lancashire Association.

At St. Thomas's, Pendleton, on January 17th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 2 hrs. 53 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Frank Smith 1	Samuel Greenhalgh 5
George E. Turner 2	Alfred Cross 6
John Smith 3	George F. Woodhouse 7
Joseph Winterbottom 4	Harry Chapman 8

Composed by C. H. Hattersley and conducted by H. Chapman.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Mary's, Pulborough, on January 22nd, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

George Paice 1	Edwin Jordan 6
John Rice 2	Robert Jordan 6
Frederick W. Cripps 3	James Parker 7
John R. Sharman 4	Frederick W. Rice 8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow, and conducted by J. Parker. This is the first peal on the bells since they have been augmented to eight, and the 'go' is all that can be desired.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Crawley, Sussex, on January 23rd, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 57 mins. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

Fred. W. Cripps 1	George Paice 5
Robert Jordan 2	Edwin Jordan 6
John Rice 3	James Parker 7
John R. Sharman* 4	Frederick W. Rice 8

Composed by H. Dains and conducted by J. Parker. [* First peal in the method.]

THE WATERLOO SOCIETY.—On Sunday afternoon, January 23rd, for service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, taken from Holt's Original, in 48 mins. J. W. Golding, 1; H. R. Pasmore, 2; W. Moss, 3; H. Langdon, sen., 4; W. H. Webber, 5; W. S. Langdon, 6; W. H. Pasmore (conductor; first quarter-peal as conductor and first attempt), 7; W. Stoneman, 8. Also at St. Margaret's, Westminster, for evening service, on January 23rd, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 1259 changes, in 50 mins. H. Barton, 1; W. H. Webber, 2; W. S. Langdon, 3; H. R. Pasmore (first quarter-peal on ten bells), 4; F. G. Perrin, 5; A. R. Davis, 6; G. E. Symonds (first quarter-peal on ten bells as conductor), 7; W. H. Pasmore, 8; H. N. Davis, 9; J. W. Golding, 10. Composed by C. Charge and conducted by G. E. Symonds.

RUGBY, WARWICKSHIRE.—On Sunday evening, January 16th, for Divine service, at St. Andrew's, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. G. Doody, 1; A. Flowers, 2; J. W. Chandler, 3; A. Dubber, 4; T. Holmes, 5; C. J. B. Cooke, 6; J. George (conductor), 7; S. Manning, 8. Also on January 17th, for practice, a half-peal of 2520 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 1 hr. 37 mins. G. Doody, 1; R. Watson, 2; A. Dubber, 3; J. W. Chandler, 4; J. George, 5; A. Flowers, 6; T. Holmes, 7; J. W. Shotton, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt., in D. Composed by John Carter, Birmingham, and conducted by James George. This was rung by the local band at the first attempt.

ALL HALLOWS, TOTTENHAM.—On Sunday, January 23rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes (taken from Holt's Original), in 44 mins. Alf. W. Darlington, 1; Henry Ellis, 2; Jos. Waghorn, 3; Henry Doughty, 4; J. Waghorn, jun. (conductor), 5; Percy Darlington, 6; Charles Button, 7; W. Martin, 8.

THE HEENE BELL-RINGERS.—The ringers of St. Botolph's Church, Heene, held their annual dinner at the Downview Hotel, West Worthing, where they were joined by friends from Worthing, Brighton, Goring, Augmering, and West Tarring. The Rev. J. P. Fallows, who presided, in a subsequent speech said their work was a sacred work connected with the Church, and should be conducted in the same spirit that all Church work should be conducted. As Rector, he had the greatest respect for the ringers, and he thanked them for the kindly way in which they always showed their readiness to accede to any request or hint. Mr. E. Lindup, the captain of the Ringers' Guild, said that the past year had been one of the most successful years since the bells had been up. They were the first local guild that had rung a peal, and he should like to see a tablet of some sort placed in the tower to commemorate the notable event.

CHERTSEY.—The Bishop of Winchester visited Chertsey on January 12th, for the purpose of dedicating a Church Room which has been built to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty's reign. The Bishop was welcomed to Chertsey by the bells in the old tower of the parish church. The ring includes two early fourteenth-century bells, crowned in Lombardic capitals. It was on one of these, the fifth, or 'Abbey Bell,' that the incident is said to have occurred which suggested to Rose H. Thorpe her well-known lines, 'Curfew must not ring to-night.' Chertsey is one of the few towns in England where the curfew is still rung regularly between Michaelmas and Lady Day at 8 p.m. As the town grew up around the old abbey that was founded in 666 by Erconwald, who was afterwards Bishop of London, there can be little doubt that the curfew has been continuously rung here for over 800 years.

COLATON RALEIGH, DEVON.—Recently two new bells have been added to the three which formerly hung in the church tower of Colaton Raleigh. One of the old bells (the third) has been recast. The Vicar (the Rev. F. Bullock) presented one of the new bells, on which there is the inscription: 'Gloria in excelsis Deo.' The other new bell was given by the parishioners and their friends. Upon it is inscribed 'Ring out the false, ring in the true,' from Tennyson's 'In Memoriam.' The parishioners also defrayed the cost of the bell that has been recast. The work was done by Mr. Stokes, of Woodbury. It is hoped to place a sixth bell in the tower at no distant date. The ceremony of dedicating the bells was performed by the Vicar on January 3rd, in the presence of a crowded congregation.

A MISUNDERSTANDING has arisen between the Rector of Petworth, the Rev. H. E. Jones, and the church bell-ringers, which has resulted in the resignation of the latter, who gave their services voluntarily. The Rector, it is stated, wished them to ring the bells every Sunday and to join the Bell-ringers' Association, his object being that they should learn to manipulate the bells scientifically. They did not see their way clear to comply with his request, and therefore resigned. Mr. Jones is training some young men, who will occupy the belfry in due course.

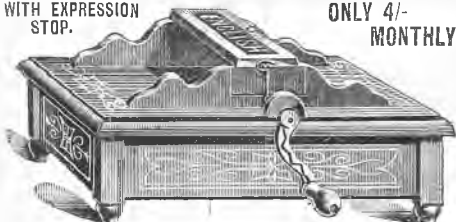
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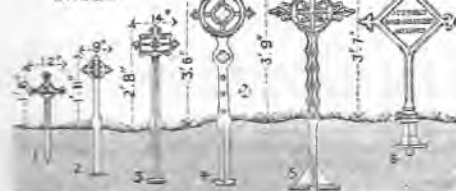
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College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on February 7th; St. Paul's Cathedral, on February 8th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on February 9th; St. John's, Wilton Road, on February 10th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on February 11th.—All about 8 p.m.

The St. James' Society.

MEETINGS at St. Clement Danes will be resumed on Monday evening next, February 7th, 1898. R. A. DANIELL, *Hon. Sec.*

The Sussex County Association.

CHICHESTER.—The Chichester Cathedral Bell-ringers held their annual dinner at the Eagle Hotel on January 25th. The chair was taken by the Rev. Prebendary Codrington, D.D., and the vice-chair by Mr. R. Walter, and among those present were the Ven. Archdeacon Mount, the Rev. Prebendary Bennett, the Rev. — Agell, the Rev. F. J. Birkett, the Rev. F. R. Lees, the Rev. S. J. Norman, Councillor Gale, and Messrs. Allen, C. Benford, W. H. Barrett, T. A. Butland, F. Chitty, R. Heaps, E. Jacob, E. Miles, W. H. Penny, W. D. Rasell, C. Snowden, and F. B. Tompkins, the company numbering upwards of eighty. After dinner, the chairman said letters of regret for non-attendance had been received from Canon Teulon and Mr. Frampton. He then gave the loyal toast. Councillor Gale submitted 'The Bishop and clergy of the diocese.' He said it gave him great pleasure to give this toast, and it did not require any comment from him to recommend the clergy of Chichester. They ought to shake hands with themselves at having such honourable men above them. He coupled with the toast the name of the Rev. Prebendary Bennett, who, in reply, spoke of the vigour and energy of the Bishop in getting to know his diocese, and in high terms of Archdeacon Mount, than whom no one among the clergy was more respected. Mr. F. B. Tompkins gave 'The Visitors,' of whom he was pleased to see so many present, including their youngest citizen, the Rev. F. R. Lees. He was also glad to see members of the Press amongst them, as the Press had great power, and the journalists in Chichester always acted in the best way for the city. He coupled with the toast the name of the Rev. F. R. Lees, who, in returning thanks, said if he were the youngest citizen there was a chance for him yet. In speaking of bell-ringers he alluded to his first induction, when he was asked by the Bishop to go in and ring the bell. He took hold of the rope and pulled and pulled away, and at last he did get a sound out of the bell, and now he could chime, and hoped to improve further. The chairman next gave what he said was the toast of the evening, 'The Chichester Cathedral Bell-ringers.' The toast was heartily received, and Mr. R. Walter, in reply, said it gave the ringers great pleasure to see so many present, that being a record company. The Ven. Archdeacon Mount gave 'The Sussex County Association of Change-ringers,' coupled with the name of Mr. F. B. Tompkins. The ven. gentleman, who was received with loud applause, said the Sussex Association commended itself to all. It was doing, over the whole of the diocese, what their own change-ringers were doing at Chichester. He then read the report of the Association, in which it was stated that they held their own last year, and were going in for quality instead of quantity. Mr. Tompkins, in replying, said it gave him great pleasure to inform them that they were still the premier Association in England, heading the list with sixteen peals and 271 more points than any other Association. He mentioned that they had now instituted a committee of advice. The Rev. S. J. Norman proposed the health of the chairman in most eloquent terms, and the toast was received with musical honours. The chairman, in returning thanks, trusted they had all spent a pleasant evening, and said he was sure they were all pleased with the way their host had provided for them.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Sepulchre's, Holborn, on January 29th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5009 changes, in 3 hrs. 27 mins. Tenor, 31 cwt. 14 lbs.

James Pettit 1	Samuel E. Joyce 6
William B. Manning* .. 2	George J. Smith 7
Matthew A. Wood 3	William D. Smith 8
Albert Coles* 4	Walter Prime 9
Henry Springall 5	William T. Cockerill .. 10

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, conducted by James Pettit.
 [* First peal of STEDMAN CATERS.]

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Peter's, Brighton, on January 24th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 22 mins.

James N. Frossell .. 1	Frank Bennett 5
Keith Hart 2	George Williams 6
George F. Attree 3	George A. King 7
Arthur A. Fuller 4	George Smart 8

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow and conducted by George Smart. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the memory of Mr. W. Robinson, a member of the St. Peter's Society, who was buried on that day.

ALSO at St. Paul's, Brighton, on January 27th, Brook's Variation peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 2 mins.

James N. Frossell .. 1	George Williams (condr.) 5
Frank Bennett 2	William Allfrey 6
John Jay, sen. 3	Philip Allfrey 7
Henry Stalham 4	Frederick Hill 8

AND at St. Nicholas's, Brighton, on January 28th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5037 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins.

George Gatland 1	John Jay, sen. 6
Frank Bennett 2	William Allfrey 7
Herbert Rann 3	William Palmer 8
John Smart 4	George Williams 9
Edward C. Merritt .. 5	Richard Frentimen .. 10

Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, and conducted by George Williams. This was the 50th peal rung by Messrs. Rann and Palmer, and Mr. Gatland's 100th peal, his performances being: 5040's of MINOR, 30; GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 6; BOB MAJOR, 3; TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 17; STEDMAN TRIPLES, 32; STEDMAN CATERS, 2; DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 9; and SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 1.

ST. OLAVE'S, HART STREET, E.C.—On January 15th, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR. A. W. Brighton (conductor), 1; A. J. Perkins, 2; C. Fenn, 3; R. Fenn, 4; T. Faulkner, 5; A. Hardy, 6.

WALTHAMSTOW.—At St. Saviour's, on January 29th, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1280 changes. A. W. Brighton (conductor), 1; G. B. Lucas, 2; J. Basden, 3; G. R. Fardon, 4; W. Truss, 5; E. Andrews, 6; C. F. Winney, 7; F. Buller, 8.

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IN reply to a communication from the Education Department, stating that under the Voluntary Schools Act, 1897, in distributing the aid grant the department could not legally make a payment to extinguish a debt incurred prior to the passing of the Act, it has been pointed out that 'if regard is had to the maintenance of voluntary subscriptions, the annual deficiencies on the schools' current accounts ought to be regarded as one evidence of their claim to a share of the special aid grant; and that a debt incurred before the passing of the Act will not preclude any school from receiving a grant towards its annual deficiency.' We do not think so reasonable a contention is likely to be disputed by the department.

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Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day, February 11th; and Chapel-of-Ease, Islington, on February 16th.
The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on February 17th.

The Hertfordshire Association.

A DISTRICT meeting will be held at Hertford on Saturday, February 19th. The tower of St. Andrew's Church will be open for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Tea at the Coffee Tavern at 5.30; business meeting to follow. Members and visitors intending to be present are requested to send notice by Wednesday next to St. Albans.
 E. P. DEBENHAM, *Hon. Sec.*

Dedication of Chatham Bells.

THE Princess Christian visited Chatham on Wednesday week, and after laying the foundation-stone of the new Town Hall, attended the dedication service of the new Victoria Tower at the Parish Church, by the Bishop of Rochester, who afterwards preached from the text, 'A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.' The cost of the tower has been about 3300*l.*, and it will be known as the Victoria Tower by special permission of the Queen. A new peal of eight bells, cast by Messrs.



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	S ze.	Weight.	Note.
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First ..	31½	7 0 10	E Flat
Second ..	32	7 0 19	D
Third ..	34½	7 3 25	C
Fourth ..	37	10 1 6	B Flat
Fifth ..	41	12 2 24	A Flat
Sixth ..	43	14 3 24	G
Seventh ..	47	18 3 27	F
Tenor ..	52	25 0 21	E Flat

Total weight of peal .. 104 1 16

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(3) 'Charles Bessent. This bell was given by Charles Richard Bessent in memory of his father, Charles Bessent. 1897.'

(4) 'Harold. This bell was given by H. J. T. Browne, mayor of Chatham, in memory of his dear mother, Caroline Browne, and his son, Harold. 1897.'

(5) 'Mary. This bell was given by Mary Viney, in memory of her father and mother, Charles and Mary Withecomb, of this parish. 1897.'

(6) 'Charles. This bell was given by Ann Randall, in memory of her father and mother, Charles and Mary Withecomb, of this parish. 1897.'

(7) 'Nellie. This bell was given by Elizabeth Sarah Withecomb, in memory of her sister Ellen (Nellie), of this parish. 1897.'

(8) 'Victoria. This bell was given by Charles Richard Bessent (churchwarden), and Elizabeth, his wife, to commemorate the sixty years' reign of Queen Victoria, 1837—1897. The peal of which this bell forms part was called the "Victoria Peal," by special permission of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. J. Tetley Rowe, rector.'

Bell-founding Operations.

The following is a list of the most important work carried out by Messrs. John Taylor & Co., Loughborough, during the Jubilee Year of 1897.

A new ring of ten bells in St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin, also a half-tone. Weight of tenor, 45½ cwt. A new chime of eleven bells in Kendal Town Hall. Weight of tenor, 44½ cwt.

A new ring of ten (except the ninth bell) in St. Paul's Church, Bedford. Weight of tenor, 28¾ cwt.

Five new rings of eight, viz. Heavitree, near Exeter: tenor, 25¾ cwt. Todmorden (with three extra half-tones). Tenor, 23½ cwt. Sedburgh: tenor, 15½ cwt. Thrapston: 14 cwt. Reddish, near Stockport: 12 cwt.

Three new rings of six: Devynock: tenor, 14½ cwt. Hartford (Cheshire): tenor, 12 cwt. Macefen (Cheshire): tenor, 11½ cwt.

A new ring of six except the tenor at Bolingbroke (Lincs). Tenor 12½ cwt. A new ring of six except the fifth bell at Adwick-le-Street Tenor, 10½ cwt.

A new ring of five in Ross Carbery Cathedral. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

A new five, except tenor, at Castle Hedingham. Tenor, 11½ cwt.

A new five, except the second bell, at Chale (Isle of Wight). Tenor, 8½ cwt.

Four quarter bells, with hour bell, of 11 cwt. in Manchester Methodist College.

The augmentations and restorations of old peals comprise three rings of ten, viz., Stockport Parish Church, St. Mary's, Nottingham, and Newark-on-Trent. A new treble and tenor have been added to complete the octave at Middlewich and at Leyland. Three trebles complete the octave at Curry Rivel and at Pulborough. And at the following churches two trebles have been added to complete the octave, viz., Stow-on-the-Wold, Blacklands (near Hastings), Finedon, Ruddington, Staveley, Wirksworth, Tickhill, Burnham (Bucks), Stanford-on-Soar, and Portishead.

The following rings of eight have been rehung:—Rye; St. Peter's Nottingham; and St. Peter's, Mansfield.

The following rings of six have been restored, augmented, &c.:—St. Michael's Church, St. Albans: Trysull: Fulbeck: Arksey; St. Stephen's, Saltash: Langport; Langham, Essex: Middleton-on-the-Wolds; Offenham; Holt, near Wrexham: Bagborough: Hemingford Abbots; Barrowby; Wickham, Hants; and Wilton, Somerset. Also the following rings of five:—Pleasley, Upper Slaughter, Legbourne, Keysoe, Capel St. Mary, Ibstock, Knowstone, Cheveley, Crich, and Copie; besides many chimes of less number than five, and numerous single bells.

WORK IN PROGRESS FOR THIS YEAR, 1898.—A new ring of eight for Arklow, in Ireland, and a new chime of eight for Maralin, in Ireland. The ring of eight of Cardington to be recast. Two new rings of six, viz., for East Tytherley and Bolsover. A new ring of five for St. Ignatius', Sunderland, and the old ring of five of Amptill to be all recast. The ring of ten of St. Nicholas', Bristol, being rehung, the three trebles being recast. At Raunds, the tenor to be recast, and two trebles added to complete the octave. The rings and chimes of six to be restored, viz., Carfax Tower, Oxford, Sefton, Thurstaston, and Ketton. Also the rings of five of Glen, Birnack, and St. Peter's, Derby.

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 240.)

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Barking, Essex, on February 3rd, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 22½ cwt.

York Green	1	Rowland Fenn	5
Harry Springall	2	Ebenezer Andrews	6
Caleb Fenn	3	Albert Hardy	7
Thomas Faulkner	4	Samuel Hayes	8

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, conducted by Thomas Faulkner.

Also at St. Stephen's, Coleman Street, City of London, on February 5th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 3 hrs. 4 mins.

James Scholes	1	Ebenezer Andrews	5
Samuel E. Joyce	2	Henry Springall	6
Samuel Hayes	3	Arthur W. Barkus	7
Edward Wallage	4	Emanuel Hall	8

Composed by James Lockwood, conducted by Henry Springall. First peal of MAJOR on the bells.

At St. Margaret's, Barking, Essex, on February 5th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 1 min.

Albert D. Mason	1	Caleb Fenn	5
William S. Langdon ..	2	Rowland Fenn	6
William H. Webber ..	3	George E. Symonds (condr.)	7
William H. Pasmore ..	4	Thomas Faulkner	8

The All Saints', Fulham, Society.

At All Saints' Church, Fulham, on February 5th, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 changes, in 3 hrs. 18 mins. Tenor, 21 cwt.

Andrew S. Ough	1	William T. Ellison†	6
Ernett A. Arthun† ..	2	Reuben Charge†	7
James W. Driver	3	James Nicholls	8
John G. Green	4	Edward H. Adams	9
Sidney Saker*	5	Mace E. Smith*	10

Composed and conducted by William T. Ellison. [* First peal on ten bells. † First peal. ‡ First peal as conductor, and first attempt.]

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

At Finedon Parish Church, lately, a peal of BOB TRIPLES, 5040 changes, was rung in 3 hrs. 14 mins.

James Houghton, sen. ..	1	Philip J. Manning	5
Thomas Abbott	2	Jas. Houghton, jun.	6
Wm. V. Newman	3	Walter Perkins (conductor)	7
John Thos. Hopkins ..	4	Ephraim West	8

The peal was rung to celebrate the clearing of the debt on the two new treble bells which were added to complete the octave, and to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Messrs. Houghton and Newman came from Irthlingborough, Mr. West from Wellingborough, and the other members of the team were Finedon men.

The Hertfordshire Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. James's, Bushey, Herts, on February 5th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 53 mins. Tenor, 13 cwt.

George W. Cartmell ..	1	Challis F. Winney	5
William G. Whitehead* ..	2	Ernest E. Huntley	6
George N. Price	3	Frederick Edwards	7
Walter H. L. Buckingham	4	Frank A. Smith	8

Conducted by Walter H. L. Buckingham. [* First peal of STEDMAN.]

The Chester Diocesan Guild.

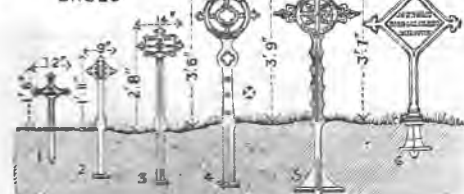
At St. Mary's, Stockport, on January 27th, Reeves' Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 8 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

William Gordon	1	Samuel Mitchell	5
Joseph Barlow	2	J. Allan Gordon	6
W. Gordon, jun. (condr.)	3	Allan S. Gordon	7
Thomas Sale	4	Alfred Birch	8

First peal on the bells since their restoration, an account of which appeared in a recent issue of *Church Be*

SUNDERLAND.—A ring of five bells is to be put up in the tower of the Church of St. Ignatius the Martyr by the generosity of a family as a memorial of their parents. The bells are being manufactured by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, and are expected to be hung and ready for use at Easter. They are of large size, the tenor weighing 12 cwt. The bells will prove a great acquisition to the church, and are the first to be erected in that part of the town.

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WOODBURY, DEVON.—A meeting was held at the Vestry Room for the purpose of having a junior class of ringers, owing to the bells having been recently rehung. The Rev. J. L. Fulford took the chair, and there were also present Messrs. T. E. Lear and W. Hallett (churchwardens). The members elected were: H. Stokes, R. Davey, W. Davey, W. Daley, W. Wilde, G. Lawrence, H. Hitchcock, S. Pyle, J. Thomas, and J. Glanville.

LONG RISTON, HULL.—The new bells for the Parish Church are being fixed in position by Messrs. Taylor & Co. of Loughborough.

BEEDON, NEWBURY.—The Jubilee Committee, after all expenses were met, had a nice little balance in hand, and as the schoolroom is suitable for any requirements, and the village is too scattered to attempt anything in the way of lighting, and the church tower too secluded for a clock to be of any use, it was decided that the balance should be devoted to increasing the number of bells in the tower. There are only four at present, and as the young men have during the past year or two taken interest in bell-ringing, the Committee consider that an extra bell will be a permanent memorial to the Diamond Jubilee.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Youths: at St. James's, Clerkenwell, on February 23rd; St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on February 25th.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on February 23rd; and St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, on February 24th.

College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on February 21st; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on February 22nd; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on February 23rd; St. John's, Wilton Road, on February 24th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on February 25th.—All about 8 p.m.

St James's Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on February 21st.

The Waterloo Society, London.

On January 26th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. *Master*, Mr. Harry Barton; *Secretary*, Mr. Victor W. West; *Treasurer*, Mr. Charles E. Malim; *Senior Steward*, Mr. William H. Pasmore; *Junior Steward*, Mr. George E. Symonds.

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

A QUARTERLY meeting will be held at Finedon on Saturday afternoon, February 19th. E. J. DENNES, *Hon. Sec.*

Wellingborough.

The Central Council.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

THE next meeting will be held at Bristol on Tuesday in Whitsun week, May 31st, 1898.

Notices of motion, &c., must reach the Hon. Secretary not later than Tuesday, May 3rd. They must be in writing, and signed by two representatives.

Hon. Secretaries of societies are reminded that subscriptions to the Council are now due, and should be remitted to the Hon. Secretary without delay, at the rate of 2s. 6d. for each elected representative. The Hon. Secretary would also be greatly obliged for information as to any change in representatives, or their addresses, that has taken place in the last year.

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In answer to a question as to the state of health of his daughter, who had also been under Mr. Congreve's treatment, Mr. Dodwell said:

'She has always been weakly. A physician advised us not to send her to school, but to get her a pony and let her ride as much as possible when the weather was fine. Previous to that she was under a local doctor for five or six years. He said both her lungs were diseased. She commenced Mr. Congreve's treatment last May, and now she is sufficiently well to be able to get about in an ordinary way. She has just returned home after a long visit to London. The improvement in her is wonderful—but I consider my own cure the most remarkable.'

Mr. Dodwell, who is well known in the neighbourhood of Thame, very heartily agreed with my suggestion that his testimony should be made public.

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Wellingborough: Presentation to Mr. E. J. Dennes.

At the annual meeting of the Parish Church Society of Ringers, held in January, a desire was expressed that as soon as convenient a tea should be held, at which all connected with the belfry might be present with their wives, children, and friends. A committee, consisting of Messrs. T. Craddock, W. H. Ette, and W. Wood, was formed to make all the necessary arrangements. The gathering took place at the Priory on Thursday last week, Mr. and Mrs. Baxter providing an admirable tea, to which nearly fifty sat down. Mrs. Wynter, Mrs. Willan Jackson, Mrs. J. T. Lewis, and Mrs. J. T. Smith kindly presided at the tables, and there were also present: The Rev. W. C. and Mrs. Cotes, Miss Traill, Miss Dennes, Miss K. Dennes, Mr. J. T. Lewis, and Mr. J. T. Smith.

At the conclusion of the tea, Mr. E. J. Dennes, on behalf of the ringers, thanked the ladies who had honoured them by their presence on that occasion, and spoke of the genuine pleasure it gave all members of the belfry, old and young, to meet those who at all times sympathised with and assisted them in their work.—Mr. T. Craddock, the senior ringer, seconded the vote of thanks, which was warmly received.

Mr. W. H. Ette then rose and said that he was deputed by the ringers to ask Mr. Dennes to accept a very handsome gold pin as a gift from the ringers, chimers, and probationers. They were very grateful for the interest he had always taken in the ringers, the bells, and all appertaining to the church tower since he had held the office of belfry sidesman during the past seventeen years—a practical interest which had conducted very much to the successful and satisfactory carrying out of their various duties.

Mr. Dennes, who was evidently taken by surprise, warmly thanked the ringers, chimers, and probationers for their beautiful present, and trusted they should all get on in the future as in the past, not resting content with what they had done, but moving onward and striving at all times to do credit to the town and Church of Wellingborough.

The senior ringers went through a programme of handbell music, and gave a short touch of Grandsire Triples. This was followed by songs from Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hensher, Miss Adams, Mr. Craddock, and Mr. Bayes, and recitations by Mr. T. Beeby and Miss E. Weston, together with some tunes and GRANDSIRE DOUBLES by the junior ringers. The singing of the National Anthem brought an enjoyable meeting to a close.

Restoration of Raunds Church Bells.

THE 'restoration' of the bells of St. Peter's Church, Raunds, which had become unsafe to ring in consequence of the insecure state of the bell-frame, is now to be carried out. Messrs. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough, made an inspection and submitted an estimate of the cost of what was necessary to be done, and Mr. J. King-Smith generously promised that, if the parish could raise the amount of the estimate, he would give two bells to complete the octave. Messrs. Taylor's estimate for new bell-frame, recasting tenor bell, tuning, and rehanging the six bells was 380l. A meeting was held, and the Church Council and others formed a Bell Restoration Committee. Collectors were appointed, and the town canvassed, with the result that about 80l. was obtained, which afterwards increased to 107l. A special meeting of the Committee was held, when a communication was submitted by Mr. J. King-Smith from Messrs. Taylor & Co., stating, in reply to Mr. King-Smith, that they would be pleased to do all they could to help the Committee in the restoration of the bells. A largely attended and representative meeting was lately held at which, in the absence of the Vicar, Mr. J. King-Smith presided. Mr. J. Shelmerdine hoped the meeting would accept the recommendations of the Council, and authorise them to proceed with the work, and as to payment he knew they were such a large-hearted people that Messrs. Taylor's bill would soon be met.—On the motion of Mr. W. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. H. Stubbs, the recommendations of the Council were adopted, and they were requested to proceed to get the bells restored if possible by Easter.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the Church of All Hallows Barking, Tower Hill, E.C., on February 8th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

William Truss	1	Thomas Taffender	5
Thomas Faulkner	2	Ebenezer Andrews	6
Caleb Fenn	3	J. Waghorn, jun.	7
Roland Fenn	4	Alfred W. Brighton	8

Composed by J. W. Washbrook, conducted by Alfred W. Brighton. This is the first peal in the method rung in the City of London. It was rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, also Mr. Joyce, steeple-keeper, for having everything ready.

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 260.)

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Erith, Kent, on February 13th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 18 cwt.

Frederick W. Thornton ..	1	William Truss ..	5
Thomas H. Taffender ..	2	Ebenezer Andrews ..	6
F. C. Newman (first peal)	3	Harry Flanders ..	7
Walter S. Wise ..	4	Alfred W. Brighton ..	8

Composed by Arthur Knights, conducted by Alfred W. Brighton.

At St. Matthew's, Bethnal Green, on February 12th, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Matthew A. Wood ..	1	Isaac G. Shade ..	5
Joseph Waghorn, jun. ..	2	Harry Hoskins ..	6
Alfred W. Brighton ..	3	William E. Garrard ..	7
George Pestell Burton ..	4	William T. Cockerill ..	8

Composed by James W. Washbrook, conducted by William T. Cockerill. First peal in the method by all except the ringers of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th bells, also first peal in the method on the bells.

The Ancient Society of College Youths and the Hertfordshire Association.

At St. Martin's, Ruislip, Middlesex, on February 13th, for evening service, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 2 mins.

Challis F. Winney (condr.)	1	Walter H. L. Buckingham	5
Charles George ..	2	George R. Fardon ..	6
William E. Moss* ..	3	James George ..	7
George N. Price ..	4	William H. Webber ..	8

First peal of STEDMAN on the bells. [* First peal in the method.]

The Kent County Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Peter's, Seal, Kent, on February 9th, 5040 of MINOR, being one 720 of GRANDSIRE, and two each of PLAIN BOB, OXFORD, and KENT TREBLE BOB, in 2 hrs. 51 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

Herbert J. Ford ..	1	John Steddy ..	4
George B. Selby ..	2	Arthur C. West ..	5
Henry J. Selby ..	3	Thos. Groombridge (condr.)	6

This is the first 5040 on the bells.

The Yorkshire Association.

At the Parish Church, Keighley, on February 12th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs.

E. Greenwood ..	1	T. Bancroft ..	5
T. B. Kendall ..	2	E. Wheeler ..	6
M. W. Lund ..	3	J. Wotton (conductor)	7
C. Pratt ..	4	W. Bolton ..	8

First peal in the method on the bells.

KENSINGTON.—At St. Mary Abbott's, for evening service, on February 13th, 1259 GRANDSIRE CATERS in 53 mins. H. Sear, 1; W. E. Judd, 2; G. Brush, 3; R. A. Daniell, 4; E. G. Bowtell, 5; A. Harriss, 6; A. E. Bradley, 7; W. Fox, 8; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 9; J. Judd, 10. This is the first quarter-peal of CATERS by the St. Mary Abbott's Guild.

ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.—On February 14th, as a birthday compliment to the steeple-keeper, Mr. G. Woodage, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 49 mins. G. Woodage,* 1; S. E. Joyce, 2; W. Berry, 3; A. W. Brighton, 4; W. Truss, 5; T. H. Taffender (conductor), 6; J. Waghorn, jun., 7; E. Clements,† 8. [* First quarter-peal on the treble. † First quarter-peal.]

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HOUR AND QUARTER BELLS. SCHOOL BELLS AS SUPPLIED TO THE LONDON SCHOOL BOARD.

267 WHITECHAPEL ROAD, LONDON, E. Established 1570.

SANCTON, YORKSHIRE.—The bells of this church having been thoroughly renovated by Messrs. John Taylor & Co., of Loughborough, the Bishop of Beverley dedicated them on Thursday in last week.

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Stanhoe Rectory, King's Lynn.

The Liverpool Diocesan Guild.

ON Saturday, February 5th, a meeting of this Guild was held at Christ Church, Bootle, and was attended by members from Aughton, Crosby, Crossens, Ormskirk, Sefton, Southport, Tue-Brook, Upholland, Wigan, &c., besides the local company. During the course of the afternoon several touches of GRANDSIRE, BOB, and KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR were rung, after which a shortened service was held. The Vicar, the Rev. Wynne Williams, presided at the organ, and special hymns were sung. The prayers were read by the Revs. W. T. Bulpit (Crossens) and J. Kennedy (Sefton). The sermon was preached by the Rev. F. Gough, M.A., vicar of St. Cuthbert's, Everton, from the text, 'Whatsoever He said unto you, do it.' The address was brief but powerful, and replete with exhortations that told well with the audience. An adjournment was then made to the schools, where the ringers and friends, about eighty, sat down to an excellent supper. The business meeting followed, the Rev. W. T. Bulpit presiding, the business being of a routine character. Several honorary and performing members were elected. Afterwards a quite enjoyable entertainment was given, presided over by Mr. W. Hope, churchwarden of Sefton, and a capital programme gone through, the artists being the Misses Hartnell and Musker, Messrs. Russell, McLean, and Barton, the Rev. R. W. S. Kennedy; and Master Musker; and amongst the audience were the Revs. Wynne Williams, W. T. Bulpit, F. Gough, and R. W. S. Kennedy, Messrs. J. Martin, R. Musker, A. E. Smith, J. F. Buchanan, Alex. Smith, and J. Hartnell, Dr. Moir, and Mr. Irvine, &c., Mrs. Wynne Williams, Mrs. Hartnell, Mrs. Hope, Mrs. Buchanan, and Mrs. Barton, the Misses Musker, Ramsey, Atherton, Treweek, &c. The usual vote of thanks brought a very pleasant meeting to a close.

CHANGE-RINGING.

Worcester and District Association.

AT Christ Church, Oldbury, on February 19th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 53 mins.

Alfred S. Lee*	1	Reuben Hall	5
Samuel Reeves	2	Thomas Horton	6
James Hall	3	John W. Parish*	7
William R. Small	4	Frederick Harris*	8

Conducted by Samuel Reeves. [* First peal.]

The Middlesex County Association.

AT Christ Church, Southgate, on February 15th, with the bells half-muffled in respect to the memory of the Rev. C. A. Wilson, late Vicar of Southgate, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 16 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

Stephen Ansell	1	Herbert W. Newby	5
Sidney Wade	2	I. J. Attwater (conductor)	6
William Pickworth	3	Arthur Miller	7
John Miller	4	Charles Bale	8

The Essex Association.

AT St. Barnabas', Great Tey, Essex, on February 19th (by kind permission of the Vicar, the Rev. E. Godfrey), a peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 9 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Richard Potter	1	John Sadler	5
William Keeble	2	Charles Norfolk	6
William Dyer	3	Ernest W. Beckwith	7
William Elliott	4	David Elliott	8

Composed by Henry Dains, conducted by David Elliott. This is the first peal on the bells since they were rehung in 1897 by Mears & Stainbank.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

AT St. Lawrence's, Reading, on February 15th, a peal of BOB ROYAL, 5000 changes, in 3 hrs. 23 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

Frank Tubb	1	Henry Tucker	6
Alfred E. Reeves	2	Ambrose Osborne	7
Johnson E. Hern	3	John Tucker	8
James Potter	4	William Newell	9
Charles Giles	5	Frank Hopgood	10

Composed and conducted by Frank Hopgood. First peal of BOB ROYAL by all except Messrs. Potter and Newell.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

AT the old Parish Church, Smethwick, on Saturday, February 12th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins.

Thomas Horton	1	William R. Small	5
Harry Mills	2	James Hall	6
Samuel Reeves (condr.)	3	James George	7
Reuben Hall	4	William Painter	8

This is the first peal rung on the bells.

The Sussex County Association.

AT St. Botolph's, Heene, Worthing on February 7th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 50 mins. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

Henry Meetens	1	Charles Smart	5
William Hillman	2	George Gatland	6
Robert J. Dawe	3	Harry Weston	7
Frank Bennett	4	George Williams	8

Composed by Harvey Reeves, conducted by George Williams.

ALSO at St. Mary's, New Shoreham, on February 19th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 9 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Arthur Gatland	1	George Smart	5
Charles Smart	2	George Gatland	6
Frank Bennett	3	Harry Weston	7
John Smart	4	George Williams	8

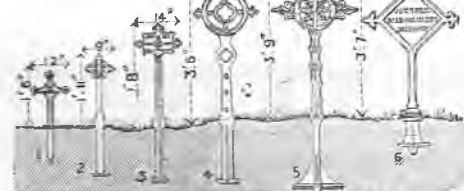
Composed by Sir Arthur P. Heywood, conducted by George Williams. First peal in the method on the bells.

ST. STEPHEN'S, WESTMINSTER.—On Sunday, February 20th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 1200 changes, in 50 mins. H. R. Newton, 1; A. G. Ellis, 2; C. T. P. Brice, 3; H. S. Ellis, 4; F. Buck, 5; S. E. Andrews, 6; N. J. Plessey, 7; J. N. Oxborrow (conductor), 8.

ALL HALLOWS, TOTTENHAM.—On Sunday, February 15th, for morning service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1200 changes, in 46 mins. J. Waghorn, jun., 1; J. Waghorn, 2; A. E. Martin, 3; W. Pickworth, 4; S. Wade, 5; I. J. Attwater (composer and conductor), 6; C. A. Button, 7; W. Martin, 8.

STURRY, KENT.—The annual supper of the bell-ringers was held at the Red Lion Inn on Monday, February 7th, to which a large number of ringers and friends sat down. After supper, Mr. A. Latham, of Whatmer Hall, was voted to the chair, Mr. R. Marsh occupying the vice-chair. The chairman proposed 'The Queen,' and Mr. R. Marsh proposed 'The Prince and Princess of Wales and the rest of the Royal Family.' The chairman, in proposing the toast of the evening, 'The Bell-ringers,' referred to the old belief that evil spirits were driven from the church by the ringing of the bells, and said he trusted that the Sturry ringers might for a long time defend the parish church from such visitors. Mr. R. Marsh, responding as the oldest ringer, said that he and another friend in the room had been connected with the Sturry ringers for more than thirty years. Mr. T. Wood (Homewood Hall) proposed 'The Vicar and Churchwardens.' During the evening songs were given by Messrs. Nash, Tharp, E. Marsh, Barton and others, Mr. J. Harrison officiating at the piano.

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XVIII.—MR. EDGAR PEMBERTON.

MR. EDGAR PEMBERTON was born at Charsfield, Suffolk, on August 6th, 1851. The parish church of St. Peter in that village contains an ancient ring of five bells, and it was through chiming here when a youth that the subject of our notice became first interested in bells and imbued with hopes of acquiring a knowledge of ringing, but it was not until 1868, at Framlingham, that he found himself in the company of a band of change-ringers.



MR. EDGAR PEMBERTON.

On his removal to Ipswich, Mr. Pemberton became acquainted with Mr. Robert Hawes at St. Margaret's Church in that town, and it was to this gentleman that Mr. Pemberton was indebted for an introduction to the chief Society in Ipswich, the St. Mary-le-Tower Society. This event occurred on the Thanksgiving Day of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales in 1872, when Mr. Pemberton had the pleasure of hearing a course of Grandsire Cinques on the bells of St. Mary-le-Tower.

After this, frequent visits were made to the belfry of that church, where, amongst others, such veterans as the late John Naunton, William Garrard, John Bateman, and William Leach still rang, they also having taken part in peals in the old tower during the years 1824-50.

Mr. Pemberton learnt to ring Doubles at St. Matthew's in 1874, and in 1876, on the re-forming of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, he and several other young men were enrolled as members. From that time his career in the ringing world has been one of steady, regular progress, and whether the method be simple or intricate, his motto is, like that of the other members of the Ipswich band, 'Good striking.'

Mr. Pemberton scored his first peal at St. John's, Waterloo Road, London, on May 22nd, 1878, Holt's Original peal of Grandsire Triples, conducted by the late George Newson.

He took part in the first peal on the twelve bells at Ipswich, and in the first peal of Maximus there in 1881. On a visit to London the same year, he rang the tenor at St. Saviour's, Southwark, to a course of Kent Treble Bob Maximus, and accomplished his first peal of Stedman at St. Stephen's, Westminster, conducted by John M. Hayes.

Included in the list below are peals of 8896, 7296, 10,176, and 10,272 of Treble Bob Major; and 6608 and 8064 of Double Norwich Court Bob Major. These, however, are eclipsed by the grand performances of the two peals of Double Norwich Court Bob Maximus.

LIST OF PERFORMANCES.—Seven 720's of *Minor*, 1. *Grandsire*—Triples 9, Caters 4, Cinques 3. *Bob*—Major 1, Royal 1. *Stedman*—Triples 4, Caters 5, Cinques 6. *Kent Treble Bob*—Major 14, Royal 8, Maximus 18. *Oxford Treble Bob*—Major 11, Royal 2, Maximus 2. *Double Norwich Court Bob*—Major 9, Royal 3, Maximus 2. Total, 103.

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College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on March 7th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on March 9th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on March 11th.—All about 8 p.m.

St James' Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on March 7th.

St. Stephen's, Westminster, Guild of Ringers.

THE Twelfth Annual Dinner of this Guild was held on Saturday, February 19th, at Storey's Gate Tavern, Westminster. The Vicar occupied the chair, and twenty-three members and friends were present. The cloth being removed, the Chairman proceeded with the toast list, which included 'The Queen and Royal Family,' 'The Church,' proposed by Mr. J. Mitchell; 'The President,' by Mr. H. R. Newton; and the toast of the evening, 'The St. Stephen's Ringers' Guild.' In proposing this the Chairman said it gave him great pleasure to be at such a gathering, and he felt proud of having such a band of ringers at St. Stephen's. The Secretary had stated that for the year 1897 sixteen peals had been accomplished, viz., six each of SUPERLATIVE and CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, two of TREBLE BOB ROYAL, and one each of DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR and STEDMAN CATERS. This he (the Chairman) considered a very worthy record, and he trusted that the excellent start made would be maintained, so that at the end of the year a still better record could be shown.

The 'Health of the Visitors' was proposed by Mr. N. J. Pitstow, who also highly complimented the Guild on scoring another peal of SUPERLATIVE and one of LONDON SURPRISE in the New Year. The healths of the Master (Mr. H. R. Newton) and the Secretary (Mr. J. N. Oxborrow), who were acting as stewards for the dinner, were accorded musical honours. Songs were rendered between the toasts by Messrs. H. R. Newton, J. Pryer, G. Mulley, C. T. P. Brice, and the pianist, Mr. J. Willis.

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 300.)

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Before I left I had a few minutes chat with Mr. Bailey, and received his permission for the publication of this testimony. His occupation is that of a coachman, and he has been with one family for seventeen years.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At a meeting held at the 'Coffee Pot,' Warwick Lane, E.C., on September 21st, it was resolved that a testimonial be presented to Mr. Matthew A. Wood, of Bethnal Green, as a mark of esteem and in appreciation of the good work he had done towards the advancement of change-ringing during the past fifty years. Subscriptions towards this object will be gladly received by any of the following committee:—Messrs. F. S. Bayley, Burkin, Butler, Cockerill, W. Davies (Liverpool), Dorrington, T. Hattersley (Sheffield), Horrex, Hughes, T. Mash, Newton, Prime, Pettit, F. W. J. Rees (Nayland, Colchester), Smith, Springall, Waghorn, jun., and Winney. Saturday, April 2nd, 1898, is the suggested date for the presentation to be made, and intending subscribers are earnestly requested to send in their subscriptions at least a week before that time.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths and the Essex Association.

At St. Mary's, Bow, E., on Monday, February 28th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 1 min. Tenor, 14 cwt.

York Green 1	Ebenezer Andrews 5
Thomas Faulkner 2	Samuel Hayes 6
Caleb Fenn 3	Henry Springall 7
Rowland Fenn 4	Albert Hardy 8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow, conducted by Henry Springall. First peal in the method by all and on the bells. The above are all members of the Bow Society.

The Ancient Society of College Youths and the St. Stephen's Society.

At St. James's, Bermondsey, on February 21st, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5080 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

George Langford 1	John N. Oxborrow 6
William D. Smith 2	Samuel E. Andrews 7
Arthur G. Ellis 3	Frederick Dench 8
Henry S. Ellis 4	Charles T. P. Brice 9
* William H. Pasmore 5	Henry R. Newton 10

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, conducted by Henry R. Newton. Rung as a birthday compliment to J. Porter, Esq., the late churchwarden. [* First peal in the method.]

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At St. Michael and All Angels', Hughenden, Bucks, on February 26th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 48 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

Thomas H. Taffender 1	William Truss 5
John C. Truss 2	John Evans 6
Alfred E. Nye 3	Alfred W. Brighton (condr.) .. 7
Ralph H. Briggs 4	Charles Green 8

The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for the use of the bells, also for his kind hospitality afterwards.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Andrew's, Steyning, on February 26th, a peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 8 mins.

George Gatland 1	Robert J. Dawe 5
James N. Frossell 2	Charles Smart 6
Frank Bennett 3	George Williams 7
John Smart 4	George Smart 8

Composed by Henry Dains, conducted by George Smart. This was the first peal of OXFORD on the bells, and by all the band except George Williams.

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

At St. Mary's, Wilby, on Saturday afternoon, February 12th, four of the Wilby ringers, with C. Chapman, of Great Doddington, conducting, rang a peal of 5040 changes, being 21 six-scores of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES and 21 six-scores of ANTELOPE, in 2 hrs. 35 mins.

Alfred Fairey 1	Thomas Fowler 4
Charles Fairey 2	William Smith 5
Charles Chapman 3	

Weight of tenor, 9 cwt. This is the first peal on these bells, and the first by all who took part.

ALDINGTON, KENT.—A peal of 720 BOB MINOR (22 singles, 2 bobs) was rung on Saturday evening, February 12th, at St. Martin's Church by the following:—C. Slingsby, 1; W. Sharwood, 2; T. Post, 3; R. Goodbourne, 4; W. Hyder, 5; P. Hodgkin (Headcorn), 6. A peal of 720 (26 singles), and another of 720 BOB MINOR (14 singles, 6 bobs) were also rung by C. Slingsby, 1; W. Sharwood, 2; R. Goodbourne, 3; C. Boulding, 4; W. Hyder, 5; P. Hodgkin, 6. On Sunday morning, February 13th, for Divine service, a peal of 720 BOB MINOR (9 bobs, 6 singles) was rung. P. Hodgkins, 1; W. Sharwood, 2; T. Post, 3; G. Hooker, 4; W. Hyder, 5; R. Goodbourne, 6. All the peals were conducted by W. Hyder.

ST. EDWARD'S, ROMFORD, ESSEX.—On Sunday evening, February 13th, for Divine service, eight members of the Essex Association of Change-ringers rang a touch of 1120 SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR: also after the service, a quarter-peal (1280 changes) in the same method. W. Watson, 1; A. J. Perkins, 2; G. R. Pye, 3; E. Whightman, 4; W. H. Doran, 5; E. Pye, 6; J. Dale, 7; W. Pye (conductor), 8.

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H. EARLE BULWER, *Hon. Secretary.*

Stanhoe Rectory, King's Lynn.

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

THE quarterly meeting took place at Finedon on Saturday, February 19th, by kind permission of the Rev. G. W. Paul. Judging from an ancient inscription on the north wall of the ringing-room, giving the names of six ringers, concluding with that of the sexton and the date 1636, Finedon possessed a ring of six bells at that time. These old bells were all recast in the year 1825, the tenor being again recast twenty-three years ago. The recent addition of two beautiful trebles, and the retuning of the tenor, make this old peal a good and musical octave, ranging from a treble weighing 7 cwt. 13 lbs. to a tenor of 22 cwt. 3 qrs. 1 lb. The Rev. F. E. Robinson, master of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Ringers, formed a very high opinion of these bells. The visitors found the bells in excellent order. Over fifty ringers took part in the proceedings. General regret was expressed at the departure from the district of the Rev. B. R. Wilson, rector of Kettering, who has been a hearty supporter of the Society; and all were very sorry to hear of the serious illness of Mr. F. Gilbert, of Raunds, one of the oldest ringing members. Meetings of the Association have been held at Finedon previously in 1885, 1890, and 1893. The rebuilding of the top of Finedon Church spire cost 300l., the (two) new bells and other belfry improvements 200l. Owing to the very hearty manner in which the matter was taken up by the Vicar, churchwardens, ringers, and parishioners, the total amount has already been raised.

Old Peal Tablets at St. Alfege's, Greenwich.

THE Society of Kentish Youths rang on Fryday, 1st of Decemb^r, 1732, a Peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPPLES in the eighth month of their practice by the persons under written:—

Jn ^o Gresham ..	Treble.	Jn ^o King ..	Fifth.
Th ^s Laurence ..	Second.	Sheirley Hoar ..	Sixth.
Hen ^y Wragg ..	Third.	Dan ^l Luck ..	Seventh.
Rich ^d Bolton ..	Fourth.	Edw ^d Gillett ..	Tenor.

In 3^d 9m. C. SIMPSON, *Sexton.*

ON Tuesday, February 25th, 1794, the Society of Trinity Youths did ring in this steeple a true and complete Peal of (5040) changes of OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL in Three Hours 50 minutes, the first peal of TREBLE BOB rang on the 10 bells, by the following persons:—

Dan ^l Dale ..	Treble.	Will ^m Dixon ..	6th.
John Day ..	2nd.	Will ^m Herbert ..	7th.
Tho ^s Russell ..	3rd.	John Maudley ..	8th.
Tho ^s Dean ..	4th.	Will ^m Chapman ..	9th.
Tho ^s Turner ..	5th.	Geo ^s Harwood ..	Tenor.

The Peal was called by Dan^l Dale.

Mr J^s CAMPBELL, }
 Mr JOHN SETON, } *Churchwardens.*

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths

AT St. Paul's, Shadwell, on March 5th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 8 mins. Tenor, 17 cwt.

Samuel Hayes ..	1	Rowland Fenn ..	5
James Scholes* ..	2	Walter S. Wise ..	6
Ebenezer Andrews ..	3	Henry Springall ..	7
Edwin Wallage ..	4	Emanuel Hall ..	8

Composed by Thomas Day and conducted by Henry Springall.

[* First peal in the method away from the treble.]

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The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

AT St. Michael and All Angels', Hughenden, Bucks, on March 1st a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs 56 mins. Tenor, 12 1/2 cwt.

Frank K. Biggs ..	1	John Evans ..	5
Frederick G. Biggs ..	2	Ralph H. Biggs ..	6
Frank Boreham ..	3	George Martin ..	7
Harry Stratford ..	4	John C. Truss ..	8

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, conducted by John C. Truss.

WILLESBOROUGH, KENT.—On Sunday morning, February 20th, for service at the Parish Church, a peal of 720 PLAIN BOB MINOR by the following members of the Kent County Association:—W. Hobbs, 1; E. J. Dixon, 2; W. Hills, 3; C. Young, 4; W. Spice, 5; T. Tabrett (conductor), 6. For evening service, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR, by W. Hills, 1; J. Steddy, 2; E. J. Dixon, 3; W. Spice, 4; W. Hobbs, 5; T. Tabrett (conductor), 6. This was E. J. Dixon's first peal of KENT TREBLE BOB on a bob-bell. On Monday, February 21st, for practice, 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB MINOR, by E. J. Dixon, 1; H. Goodwin, 2; W. Hobbs, 3; W. Spice, 4; J. Steddy, 5; T. Tabrett (conductor), 6. Also 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR by F. Leeds, 1; E. J. Dixon, 2; W. Hills, 3; J. Steddy, 4; H. Goodwin (conductor), 5; W. Spice, 6. J. Steddy belongs to the Edenbridge band of ringers, Spice and Goodwin to Charing, and Tabrett to Ashford; the rest being members of the Willesborough band.

ST. LAWRENCE'S, DARLASTON.—On Sunday, February 13th, for evening service, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1893 changes, in 66 mins. J. Mark, 1; G. Morgan, 2; T. Lowe, 3; E. Unitt, 4; J. Foster, 5; J. A. Brown (conductor), 6; W. Smith, 7; W. Eyre, 8.

WE hear that a movement is on foot to augment the ring of bells in Rushall Church, near Walsall, and we heartily wish it success. The church is beautifully situated for a really fine ring, and, as the present one has been there some 200 years, it is time it was completed. Where a church is in the midst of a crowded population a ring of bells is not regarded with favour by every one; but in such a position as that which is occupied by Rushall Church, the bells can be heard in their full beauty and cannot possibly be an annoyance.

READING.—*Death of an Old Ringer.*—On Monday, February 14th, a muffled peal was rung on the bells of St. Mary's as a last tribute of respect paid by the Reading ringers to their old comrade, Mr. Daniel Orchard, who had been a ringer at St. Mary's for about thirty years. Deceased was a native of Aldbourn, Wilts, and was one of the ringers there. He came to Reading more than forty years ago, and worked as a coach-builder almost up to the time of his death, and was much respected. He died at the age of eighty-five, and was interred in Reading Cemetery on February 12th. The ringing comprised GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN TRIPLES and DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, the ringers being Messrs. Giles, Tubb, Watmore, Sawyer, Bruce, Cullam, Stone, Hern, R. Swain, A. Osborn, J. and H. Tucker, and F. Hopgood (conductor).

WEM, SALOP.—Two new bells were dedicated in the Parish Church of Wem, on the 2nd inst., by the Bishop of Shrewsbury, who delivered a very practical discourse on the right and the wrong uses of church bells. The tower now contains a ring of eight, and the new bells bear inscriptions in Latin and English verse, showing that they are part of the parishioner's memorial of the Diamond Jubilee. The church and vestry have also been newly floored with wooden blocks, and other improvements made, as parts of the same memorial, towards which 300l. has been raised in the parish. The weight of the new bells is as follows: Treble, 4 cwt. 3 qrs. 18 lbs., F; No. 2, 5 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lbs., E.

LONG RISTON, HULL.—A special service was held at the Parish Church on Friday evening, February 18th, by the Bishop of Beverley (Dr. Crosthwaite), for the purpose of dedicating two new bells given by Mr. W. Bethell, of Rise Park, in commemoration of the Queen's long reign. The following are the inscriptions on the three bells:—1. 'Sancta Margareta, Ora Pro Nobis' Holy Margaret, pray for us: 21. 'A.D. 1897, Victoria Per Sexaginta Annos Dei Gratia Regina, Laus Deo, Dona Dedit, William Bethall, C.E. Little, Rector. Taylor Fecit': (3), 'A.D. 1897, To the Glory of God, and in commemoration of the 60th year of Queen Victoria's Reign this bell was given by W. Bethell.'

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 320.)

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WERRINGTON, CORNWALL.—Werrington parishioners met on Friday evening, February 25th, to consider the proposed ring of bells for their parish church. The Chairman (Mr. R. C. Coode) said they wanted a complete ring of bells, which should be amongst the best in the county. Through the generosity of Mr. J. C. Williams and others, their church had been restored. A member of his family had now suggested that they should give six bells, and his brothers and sisters and himself were prepared to carry out the proposal. The estimate of Messrs. Mears & Stainbank for a ring of eight new bells, new iron bell-frame, fittings, including the hanging, was 537l. 15s. Towards that sum he and his family would give the six bells and all fittings, amounting to 329l. 10s. The two old bells in the tower would realise a certain amount, and 145l. 10s. had been collected. There remained 60l. to 70l. to be further provided by the parish. That sum would be necessary as many unforeseen expenses might present themselves. It was a principle with him not to begin any work before the money required to complete it was assured. They had not come, perhaps, to the end of their resources. The Duke of Bedford, a large landowner in the parish, had not yet been approached. Many parishioners and friends had contributed so well that they could hardly be expected to give more. He asked that the work of erection should be deferred until the deficit was forthcoming. The Rev. F. Thomas (vicar) concurred with Mr. Coode in regard to the number of bells, and the desirability of obtaining the money before commencing work. No alteration would be necessary in the structure of the tower. There was only one other church in the deanery with a ring of eight bells. He proposed that a small executive committee be formed to devise means of obtaining the deficit and carry out the work of erection to its completion. This was seconded by Mr. Crocker, and carried unanimously. Mr. Coode then proposed, and Mr. Vanstone seconded, that the Vicar and the two churchwardens (Messrs. E. P. Foley and J. B. Lillicrapp) be on the committee. This was unanimously carried, and also the election of Mr. Coode, Miss Milnes, and Miss W. A. Coode (secretary). Mr. Lillicrapp proposed, and Mr. Foley seconded, on behalf of the parish, a very hearty vote of thank to Mr. Coode and family for their generous offer. Mr. Coode, in reply, trusted that the bell-ringing would be heartily taken up.

WHITBY.—Mr. J. H. Blakiston, of Middlesbrough, a vice-president of the Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association of Ringers, has kindly undertaken to bring over a competent team of ringers to inaugurate the new bells of the Parish Church when ready. He advised that a local bell-ringing society should be formed and that an expert be engaged for a time to give the requisite instruction, and made other valuable practical suggestions. He has further promised to give his own personal superintendence. A number of persons have signified their readiness to join such a society and others are invited to join at once. It is hoped that at least two full teams may be formed and it is proposed that suitable preliminary exercise with handbells be begun without delay. Mr. Edward Corner, 1 Baxtergate, has consented to act as hon. secretary *pro tem.* of the proposed society. Names of persons wishing to join should be sent to him, or to the Rector or Churchwardens.

MESSRS. WILLIAM ANDREWS & Co., London and Hull, promise for early publication *A Book about Bells*, by the Rev. George S. Tyack, B.A., author of *The Historic Dress of the Clergy*. Numerous illustrations will be included.

NOTICE.—In order that peals may be reported without delay, conductors should send particulars to Mr. W. T. COCKEBILL, 37 Tradescant Road, South Lambeth, immediately after the events.

THE Prudential Assurance Company's forty-ninth annual report for the year ending December, 1897, shows that in the ordinary branch the new annual premium income amounts to 365,996l. Premiums received during the year showed an increase of 231,000l., and the number of policies in force was nearly half a million. In the industrial branch the premiums received had increased to the extent of 214,798l. There is the substantial increase of 3,379,226l. in the assets of the Company. The Directors have set aside a further sum of 50,000l. to be divided among the members of the staff, about 15,000 in number, upon a principle regulated by length of service.

THE Rev. F. Flewelling, a missionary at Dawson City, writing on November 20th last, strongly advises intending Klondike adventurers not to be lured there by hopes of quickly-acquired wealth. He points out that the labour market there is already overcrowded, that prices are very high, and that food is scarce. A paragraph from his letter is as follows: 'If any man reads this who is still determined to come, let him bring a good outfit with him. There are several reasons why provisions are so scarce. The summer is short, and the Yukon navigable only four and a half months in the year. Sandbars in the river are numerous and the current strong. The transportation companies are looking to their own interests, and there is more profit on liquors. Intoxicants are brought in to the neglect of food.'

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GOLDEN BRIGHT ON HILL AND VALLEY, by Myles B. Foster (Weekes & Co.), is a very bright and effective setting of an Easter carol, by Florence Hoare. It should prove an acquisition to churches where it is the custom to sing carols at Eastertide.

THE BURIAL OF DUNDEE. A Chorus Ballad, for men's voices, with orchestra. Words by W. E. Aytoun; music by E. T. Sweeting, Mus.D. (Weekes & Co.)—Directors of male-voice choral societies will, doubtless, gratefully welcome Dr. Sweeting's important contribution to this class of works—numerically somewhat limited—available for their use. The vocal writing is in four parts throughout, excepting a baritone solo of some four pages, and is extremely effective; while, as should be the case in a choral ballad, the orchestral accompaniment, judged from the pianoforte reduction, is artistically planned and judiciously descriptive.

Magazines.

THE STRAND MAGAZINE has another remarkable story of the series appearing under the title of 'The Brotherhood of the Seven Kings,' and Mr. Grant Allen gives the first of what promises to be a very interesting and entertaining series of adventures which befell a young lady. It may be mentioned that each story in these series is complete in itself. The fiction includes several other complete stories. Sir George Newnes contributes a chatty article 'From Cairo to Cataract,' of which the number and excellence of the accompanying illustrations are a notable feature; and Mr. Schooling, in one of those papers which are his speciality, discusses the all-important question of 'A Woman's Chance of Marriage,' concerning which he gives some curious statistics. Among the remainder of the well-balanced contents is a paper on 'A Procession of Giants,' which should not be overlooked.

THE FOREIGN CHURCH CHRONICLE is specially good this quarter. The Rev. Th. E. Dowling, so well known to *Church Bells* readers, contributes 'Notes on Armenian Orthodoxy,' 'The Renewal of the Bonn Conferences' is a most instructive article, while 'A Roman Priest on Marriage with a Protestant' and 'The Controversy on Holy Orders' are among a few of the papers which will be eagerly read by those who desire to keep themselves abreast of the current thought of the day.

THE Westminster Gazette announces that 'Mr. Arthur Benson has now completed his memoir of the late Archbishop of Canterbury, and it will probably be published by Messrs. Macmillan in the autumn. The narrative will be supplemented by private letters, and by occasional selections from the Archbishop's diary.' At present the only memoir of Archbishop Benson is that published by the Church Newspaper Company, Limited, which was issued within ten days of the late Primate's funeral. It is fully illustrated, and has passed through twelve editions. Particulars of price, &c., will be found in our advertisement columns.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on March 25th.
Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on March 23rd.
College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on March 21st; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, on March 22nd; St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, on March 22nd; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on March 23rd; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on March 25th.—All about 8 p.m.
St James' Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on March 21st.

The Central Council.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

THE next meeting will be held at B.istol on Tuesday in Whitsun week, May 31st, 1898.

Notices of motion, &c., must reach the Hon. Secretary not later than Tuesday, May 3rd. They must be in writing, and signed by two representatives.

Hon. Secretaries of societies are reminded that subscriptions to the Council are now due, and should be remitted to the Hon. Secretary without delay, at the rate of 2s. 6d. for each elected representative. The Hon. Secretary would also be greatly obliged for information as to

any change in representatives, or their addresses, that has taken place in the last year.

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Stanhoe Rectory, King's Lynn.

An Old Peal Board at St. James's, Clerkenwell.

CUMBERLAND YOUTHS.

ON Monday, December 8th, 1800, was rung in this steeple a complete peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, consisting of 5040 changes, in 3 hours 15 minutes, by the following persons:—

Rd Mills	Treble.	Wm Williams	5
Thos Humphries	2	Jno Hints	6
Jno Truman	3	Jno Jaggard	7
Wm Palmer	4	Jno Leach	Tenor.

Called by the above Mr. Jno Hints with 103 Bobs and 2 Singles.
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6	3	1	5	4	2						
3	4	2	5	1	6						

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths, the Norwich Diocesan Association, and the St. Stephen's Society, Westminster.

AT the Church of St. John-at-Hackney, on March 12th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor. 24 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lbs.

William D. Smith	1	James Willshire	5
John N. Oxborrow	2	Samuel E. Andrews	6
Frank Buck	3	Charles T. P. Brice	7
Henry S. Ellis	4	Henry R. Newton	8

Composed by the late Henry Johnson, conducted by Charles T. P. Brice. This is the first peal of CAMBRIDGE on the bells, also the first in the method by the Norwich Diocesan Association.

The Essex Association.

AT St. Mary's, Widford, Essex, on March 12th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 55 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

Alfred Wight	1	Rowland Fenn	5
Thomas Faulkner	2	Arthur Edwards	6
Edward Lucas	3	Ebenezer Andrews	7
Caleb Fenn	4	Albert C. Hardy	8

Composed by Arthur Craven, conducted by Thomas Faulkner.

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 340.)

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KENNINGTON, KENT.—On Friday, February 25th, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR were rung for practice. E. Dixon, 1; W. Hobbs, 2; H. Goodwin, 3; W. Spice, 4; T. Tabrett, 5; J. Steddy (conductor), 6. Also 720 OXFORD TREBLE BOB. E. Dixon, 1; H. Goodwin, 2; J. Steddy (conductor), 3; W. Spice, 4; W. Hobbs, 5; T. Tabrett, 6. This is the first 720 of OXFORD on the bells. Also 120 STEDMAN DOUBLES were rung by H. Goodwin, 1; J. Willis, 2; J. Steddy, 3; W. Hobbs, 4; W. Spice, 5; J. Hover, 6.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPITALFIELDS.—On March 13th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes. C. Kennedy, 1; J. Pettit (conductor), 2; Albert Coles, 3; E. Hall, 4; A. Hughes, 5; S. Parmenter, 6; W. Wise, 7; G. Barrall, 8.

BATTLE, SUSSEX.—On Saturday, March 5th, members of the Sussex Change-ringers Association from Brighton, Hastings, and Lewes, visited Battle where, with the local ringers, they rang a touch of 588 STEDMAN TRIPLES, conducted by Mr. Saker (of Blacklands Church, Hastings), who also conducted a touch of 464 BOB MAJOR. F. Bennett (Brighton), 1; S. Baker (Blacklands, Hastings), 2; W. Thomas (Battle), 3; F. Franks (Battle), 4; J. S. Goldsmith (Lewes), 5; P. D. Howcroft (Blacklands, Hastings), 6; G. Williams (Brighton), 7; C. R. Carter (Battle), 8. On Sunday morning, at 9.30, the same band, with the exception of Mr. Carter, whose place was taken by Mr. W. H. Eldridge, of Battle, rang a touch of 588 STEDMAN TRIPLES at Christ Church, St. Leonards, with Mr. G. Williams, of Brighton, as conductor. When this was completed the band left for Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, where, under the conductorship of Mr. S. Saker, of Hastings, a touch of 464 BOB MAJOR was rung. At half-past ten and following evensong a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung in the same belfry, Mr. Saker conducting.

Jubilee Tablet at St. Alfege, Greenwich.

A MARBLE tablet has been placed in the parish church of St. Alfege, Greenwich, recording a performance by members of the Ancient Society of College Youths, in commemoration of Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. This peal was only achieved under very trying conditions. On Sunday, June 20th, the tenor bell, which weighs 25 cwt., went so badly that it was with the greatest difficulty rung to 500 changes of TREBLE BOB; the prospects of accomplishing ten times this number two days later were therefore somewhat remote, and the idea of making the attempt was almost abandoned. However, on the morning of Jubilee Day, willing hands were busy with oil-can and screw-hammer, and although some alteration in the 'go' of the bell was certainly effected, it was but of trifling description, and the long and arduous task was essayed with much misgiving as to the tenor man's ability to hold out the required time. Anxious eyes were frequently turned towards him during the progress of the peal, but notwithstanding the excessive heat, which added to the discomfort of all the band, he pluckily stuck to the work, and in 3 hrs. 20 mins. a Diamond Jubilee Peal was a *fait accompli*, and as it afterwards transpired, was the only peal of 5000 changes rung in the United Kingdom under the auspices of the Ancient Society of College Youths upon that memorable day. It was felt that the achievement was deserving of some permanent record, and the vicar and churchwardens most kindly proffering assistance, the work of preparing a tablet was intrusted to Mr. Thomas Maynard, of Walthamstow (himself a ringer), who is to be congratulated upon having turned out an excellent specimen of the mason's art. The memorial was unveiled by the Vicar, the Rev. Brooke Lambert, M.A., B.C.L., and dedicated to the church with appropriate ceremony on the morning of Christmas Day, the churchwardens and other officials being present, together with the ringers of the peal, and several others. It is gratifying to note that the relationship existing between the respected Vicar of Greenwich and his ringers has always been of the kindest nature, and until lately his senior curate, the Rev. George J. Bayley (now of St. Saviour's, Southwark), was a frequent visitor to the ringing-chamber of St. Alfege in the capacity of belfry warden, assisting in ringing for the services, and on other occasions when peals were attempted.

THE new address of Mr. Henry S. Thomas is 34 Altenburg Gardens, Clapham Common, S.W., in case members of any Bell-ringing Society wish to ring at St. Mary's Church, Old Battersea.

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Reviews

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DISCIPLINE AND LAW, by the Rev. H. Hensley Henson (Methuen & Co. 2s. 6d.), is a collection of Lenten addresses, the object of which is, 'by removing misconceptions and propitiating legitimate prejudices, to induce an honest observance of the Lenten fast, in that spirit of reasonable devotion which is the atmosphere of the Prayer-book.' The first part deals with the motive, the method, the difficulty, the failure, the inspiration, and the reward of discipline. The second part treats of the law of the family, of social intercourse, of self-control, of straight dealing, and of contentment. The addresses are full of helpful and suggestive thoughts, and will be welcomed by many.

THE OFFICIAL YEAR-BOOK OF THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND, 1898 (S.P.C.K. 3s.), has just been issued. We have frequently commended this marvellous store-house of information in past years, and we can only say that the present volume is, if possible, an improvement on its predecessors, reflecting the greatest credit on the indefatigable energy and skill of the Hon. Editor, the Rev. Canon Burnside. For those who love the dear old Church of England, the *Official Year-book* is the most powerful weapon of Church defence that can be procured. It contains every variety of statistics in regard to ordinations, confirmations, church building and restoration, clergy, parishes, &c. Every branch of Home Mission work is described, and the various agencies in operation are explained. The educational efforts of the Church are dealt with in detail, and Foreign Missions receive the attention which they deserve. Official statements of Church work in the Colonies, India, and Missionary dioceses, as well as in churches in communion with the Church of England, Church Defence, Clergy Pensions, the Church and Social Questions, as well as a summary of recent Church literature, constitute a few of the almost innumerable features of what is a veritable store-house of information, issued at a price within reach of every Churchman.

Magazines.

THE MAGAZINE OF ART opens with an exquisite photogravure reproduction of Burgess' 'A Belle of Seville.' Mr. George D. Leslie, R.A., contributes a powerful and appreciative In Memoriam article on H. Stacy Marks, with which six illustrations of the deceased artist's works are given. 'The Queen's Treasures of Art'—a subject which has formed so attractive a feature of the magazine for some months—are again ably dealt with by Mr. Frederick S. Robinson, with seven illustrations of handsome pieces of furniture. The Calderon School (the Metropolitan Schools of Art) is described by Aymer Vallance, and in connexion with this is a group of pencil studies of dogs, beautifully drawn by Miss Imogen Collier. 'Swansea Porcelain,' and 'The Art Collection of Mr. Thomas J. Barratt, at Bell-moor,' are among some of the most attractive contents of this excellent number.

THE BOOKMAN is always replete with literary news, and seems to improve each month. The 'new writer,' of whom a portrait is given, is Mr. Henry Newbolt, whose little book of verses, *Admirals All*, has met with a well-deserved success. There is an illustrated interview with Dr. Richard Garnett, C.B., describing his life-long work at the British Museum, and giving many interesting details of the arrangements. We wish the authorities would improve the present system in the reading-room, whereby readers could obtain the books they require without having to wait sometimes for hours. The criticisms of new books are thoughtfully and ably written. The

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review of *The Vintage* is accompanied with an excellent portrait, by Russell & Son, of Mr. E. F. Benson.

THE CHURCH ECCLESIASTIC has an excellent portrait of Dr. Neely, bishop of Maine, U.S.A., as a frontispiece. Bishop Coleman, of Delaware, U.S.A., discourses attractively on the progress of the American Church from 1873 to 1898; Bishop Grafton, of Fond du Lac, U.S.A., writes of 'The Christian Character of Gothic Art'; the Bishop of Gloucester discusses 'The Incarnation and the Atonement'; while the Rev. C. H. Mockridge tells us the results of 'Twenty-five Years of the Church in Canada.' Mr. Mockridge is the author of that charming volume, *The Bishops of the Church in Canada*, published by the Church Newspaper Company, Ltd. Among the other contents of this magazine is a powerful article on 'The Active and the Contemplative Life,' which our American contemporary has taken *verbatim* from the *Illustrated Church News*. There are other interesting features of this number.

THE STUDIO has four special supplements, each admirable in its way. Among the principal contents are 'The Work of J. C. Gatch,' by A. L. Baldry, with six illustrations, reproduced from the artist's works; Gabriel Mourey's paper on 'Decorative Art in Paris,' with seventeen illustrations; 'Lady Artists in Germany,' by Luise Hagen; 'Art in Gridirons,' by Francis Arthur Jones; and an account of the work of Eleanor F. Brickdale, designer and illustrator. This excellent monthly maintains its position in the front rank of our art magazines.

THE LADIES' FIELD (Geo. Newnes, Ltd.) is the latest addition to our six-penny weeklies, and we offer it our best wishes. It contains Court news, Society at home and abroad, all the Paris and London fashions, a serial story, 'Ladies' Kennels,' with portrait of the Duchess of Newcastle, and every variety of interesting matter. It is beautifully printed, and the illustrations are excellent. The tone of the paper is good, but we should like to see a column of Church notes added, if it is to fill a real place in English homes.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on March 30th.

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney and St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, on March 29th; St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on March 30th; St. Magnus', London Bridge, on March 31st; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on April 1st.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day, March 25th; and Chapel-of-Ease, Islington, on March 30th.

The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on March 31st.

The meeting at St. Magnus' is at 7.30; all the others about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE presentation of a purse of gold, and album containing the names of the subscribers, will be made to Mr. Matthew A. Wood at 7 p.m. on Saturday, April 2nd, in the Society's meeting-room at the 'Coffee Pot,' Warwick Lane, E.C., when a good attendance of subscribers is earnestly requested.

W. T. COCKERILL, *Hon. Secretary*.

The Hertford County Association.

THE annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, when the tower of St. Peter's Church will be open at 2 p.m., and the Cathedral tower later in the afternoon. Evensong at the Cathedral at 5 o'clock, with an address to ringers. Tea at 5.45 at the Town Hall; business meeting for election of officers and general business to follow. Cheap tickets to St. Albans from stations on the Great Northern line and excursion tickets from London by certain trains on the Midland and Great Northern. Members and visitors intending to be present will please send their names not later than Wednesday, April 6th, to

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths and the Kent County Association.

At All Saints' Church, Poplar, on March 19th, Taylor's Six-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Frederick A. Stoward	1	Frank C. Newman
John J. Lamb	2	William J. Jeffries
Thomas Taylor	3	Fred. W. Thornton (condr.)
William Foreman	4	Harry Flanders

The Kent County Association.

At the Parish Church, Erith, on March 19th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 14 mins.

William Conyard	1	Isaac G. Shade
Joseph Wagthorn, jun.	2	John R. Sharman
Sidney Wade	3	James Parker
Charles Wilkins	4	Edwin Barnett

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Charles George .. 1-2 | George N. Price (condr.) 5-6
Herbert Martin .. 3-4 | Walter Norris .. 7-8
Umpire: Mr. Walter H. L. Buckingham. This is the first handbell peal ever rung in the county of Hertford, outside the city of St. Albans. It is also the first peal on handbells by all the band.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Botolph's, Bishopsgate, on March 15th, as a birthday compliment to R. Fenn, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

William Truss .. 1	Thomas Faulkner .. 5
George P. Burton .. 2	Frederick A. Nunn .. 6
Caleb Fenn .. 3	Ebenezer Andrews .. 7
Rowland Fenn .. 4	Alfred W. Brighton .. 8

Composed by Nathan J. Pistow, conducted by Alfred W. Brighton. This is the first peal in the method on the bells, and first in the method by G. P. Burton and F. A. Nunn. The ringers wish to thank the Rector and Churchwardens for permission to ring, and the Vicar of All Hallows Barking, Tower Hill, for lending his ropes for the peal.

The Middlesex County Association.

At Christ Church, Southgate, on March 15th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 30 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

John Miller .. 1	Herbert W. Newby* .. 5
Isaac J. Attwater* .. 2	Arthur Miller* .. 6
Sidney Wade .. 3	James Parker .. 7
Joseph Waghorn, jun. .. 4	John R. Sharman .. 8

Composed by Charles H. Hattersley, conducted by James Parker. [* First peal of MAJOR.]

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Peter's, Brighton, on March 14th, a peal of NORFOLK SURPRISE MAJOR, 5120 changes, in 3 hrs. 16 mins.

Robert J. Deere .. 1	George A. King .. 5
George F. Attree .. 2	Frank Bennett .. 6
George Smart .. 3	James N. Frossell .. 7
George Williams .. 4	George Baker .. 8

Composed by Frank Bennett, conducted by George Baker. This is the first peal ever rung in the method.

The Waterloo Society.

At St. Margaret's, Westminster, on March 12th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERERS, 5010 changes, in 3 hrs. 22 mins. Tenor, 28 cwt.

Harry Barton .. 1	Frederick G. Perrin .. 6
George W. Wild .. 2	Arthur R. Davis .. 7
Sidney Wade .. 3	Walter C. Hasted .. 8
William H. Webber .. 4	Harold N. Davis .. 9
George E. Symonds .. 5	John W. Golding .. 10

Composed by Frederick J. Pitts, conducted by Harry Barton.

WOOBURN, BUCKS.—At St. Paul's Church, on March 21st, for practice, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes (taken from Holt's Original), in 46 mins., by the following members of the Oxford Diocesan Guild:—J. Howard, 1; J. Garrell, 2; T. H. Taffender (conductor), 3; F. Boreham, 4; J. West, 5; F. Cousens, 6; F. G. Healey, 7; John Evans, 8. T. H. Taffender came from London.

ST. JAMES'S, BERMONDSEY.—On Sunday, March 20th, for evening service, 1222 STEDMAN CATERERS in 47 mins., by the Ancient Society of College Youths. Edwin Horrex, 1; Henry Langdon, 2; W. S. Langdon, 3; C. F. Winney, 4; H. Springall, 5; J. Waghorn, jun., 6; E. Carter, 7; H. Flanders, 8; J. M. Hayes (conductor), 9; W. Spink, 10.

ALDgate, E.C.—At St. Botolph's, on March 19th, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, 960 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR. J. Scholes, 1; H. Springall (conductor), 2; W. Wise, 3; S. Hayes, 4; S. E. Joyce, 5; E. Hall, 6; P. O'Meara, 7; W. T. Cockerill, 8.

PONTEFRACt.—The following is an extract from the *Pontefract Express* of March 5th:—'On Tuesday not a little pleasure was afforded a large number of people in Pontefract by the bell-ringers at St. Giles' Church. The music was perhaps not the result of a serious attempt at psalmody, and yet it reminded many a listener, in a very pleasant way, of strains of music heard elsewhere, and as the children and young people passed along the street it was a pleasure to hear them following the bells, and humming the tunes in company with the pleasant sound. The incident shows that a change from the technical "Bob Majors" and

other majors to which ringers usually treat the people would be very acceptable. There is quite a large number of easy airs, devoid of "accidentals," which the ringers could produce on the bells of St. Giles', and we hope there is no reason why, at any rate, an occasional practice of a well-known song tunes and psalm tunes should not be rendered.' [We sincerely hope that the ringers will use the bells in their proper function, change-ringing, and leave the rendering of tunes in the hands of the organist.—Ed. *Church Bells*.]

WEMBLEY, MIDDLESEX.—We are informed that the necessary arrangements for the fixing of a complete ring of bells in the tower of the parish church (St. John's), are now almost completed, and that the bells will be erected within the next few days.

FARNHAM ROYAL, MAIDENHEAD.—The current number of the *Parish Magazine* contains a long additional list of subscribers to the Church Bells Fund, the total amount now standing at about 115*l*. As the estimated cost is 130*l*. for supplying two new bells and recasting the cracked ones, the object is within measurable distance of accomplishment. In fact, the order has been given to Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, of Whitechapel, who hope to execute the work in the course of four or five weeks. In the meantime we hope additional names will swell the list of subscribers, and that the required amount will be realised before the work is accomplished.

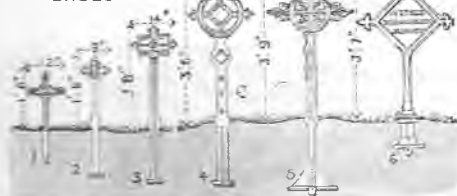
BURY.—An interesting discovery was made by workmen engaged in excavating at Bury. When about twelve feet down they discovered a large copper bell, beautifully chased, and evidently very ancient. The bell weighs about a hundredweight and a half, stands 2 ft. 6 in., and is 2 ft. 7 in. in circumference.

EARLY on Saturday morning the interior of the belfry of Christ Church, Weston Point, Runcorn, was destroyed by fire. The bells and clock perished.

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Magazines.

THE ENGLISH ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE has several complete stories, and interesting articles on 'Flying Machines,' 'A Beggars' Museum,' and 'A Female R.A.,'—Angelica Kaufmann. The account of the Battle of Plassey and the study of some incidents in the career of the first Napoleon are capital reading.

THE WOMAN AT HOME steadily improves. The account of the King and Queen of Denmark is well written and full of information, besides being illustrated with many rare portraits. 'How War would affect Women' is a useful reminder of the evils which follow in its train. The fiction is varied and excellent, and all the usual features are continued.

THE TEMPLE MAGAZINE has a powerful story of prison life—'C. 45,' an account of a group of well-known artists, and is a varied and interesting number.

THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS has for the object of its 'Character Sketch' Lord Salisbury. It is a very masterly production. Mr. Stead tells how in the early eighties, when politicians generally were much more interested in the fortunes of their particular faction than in the welfare of the country, he was discussing the position of affairs with Mr. Balfour, and asked him—somewhat pessimistically—to name 'one man, I don't care of what party, in Parliament or out of it, who habitually and naturally always thinks of his country first, and only afterwards of his party?' Mr. Balfour indicated his uncle Lord Salisbury, saying that he did not do so because he was his uncle, but because it was the fact. 'He always looks at things in that way, and, so far as I can remember, he has always done so.' Four sides of Lord Salisbury's career are dealt with: First, as a revolutionist; secondly, as an enthusiast; thirdly, as a reformer; and fourthly, as a disciple of Richard Cobden. On each of these sides Mr. Stead has much to say which is to the point, and even if we do not agree with everything, it is none the less interesting. The 'book of the month' is M. Zola's *Paris*.

IS the EXPOSITORY TIMES, 'The Mind of a Child,' by the Rev. J. Kelman, Edinburgh, is an article which should be thoughtfully read by parents as well as by others who are interested in the welfare of the young. Professor Sayce continues his learned archaeological commentary on Genesis, and there are further portions of Professor W. C. Van Manen's ably written opinions under the heading of 'A Wave of Hypercriticism.'

OUR INDIAN AND COLONIAL FORCES is the most recent of the children's publications for which Messrs. Dean & Son, Limited, have earned a well-merited reputation. It contains illustrations in colours of some typical members of Her Majesty's land forces in Greater Britain, and is an attractive and useful publication for little ones.

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With reference to the case of her daughter.

From what I gathered from Mrs. Abram, there is some hereditary predisposition to chest disease in her family, for a sister of her husband's died with consumption, and a daughter of Mrs. Abram's—sister of the young woman concerned in this interview, also died from the same disease. Needless to say, when another daughter became ill the parents were very anxious. The steps they took had best be told in Mrs. Abram's own words.

'When Fanny was ill,' she said, 'we took her to our own doctor, and he attended her, off and on, for nearly two years. He told us she was suffering from Consumption, and ultimately said he couldn't do any more for her. We were then asked to try Mr. Congreve's medicine, and did so, in November, 1895. Before then my daughter had vomited a quantity of blood, her breathing was bad, secretions all wrong, she had pain in chest and back, palpitations, no appetite, and loss of flesh and strength. By the middle of the following month a great improvement had taken place; she seemed to be going on very nicely. She continued to progress, and in the course of a few months quite recovered her health. In the following June—1896—she got married, and is now in good health, living just outside Harrogate.'

To this testimony Mrs. Abram was good enough to add her full permission for its publication.

M. R. G. T. CONGREVE'S Work on CONSUMPTION, &c., in which are detailed THE CAUSES, SYMPTOMS, PROGRESS, and SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT OF THIS SCOURGE OF ENGLAND. With nearly FOUR HUNDRED CASES OF CURE. Also on COUGH, ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS, &c. &c. The Book will be sent Post Free for ONE SHILLING by Author, Coombe Lodge, Peckham, London, S.E.

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MANNERS FOR ALL is the latest of Ward, Lock, & Co.'s series of penny useful books. It contains a great deal of useful information.

THE LONDON DIOCESE BOOK (Rivingtons. 1*s.* 6*d.*) is a reference book which is indispensable to the clergy of the diocese, and very useful to the laity. All the old features are continued. The information which it contains is varied, and, so far as we have noticed, accurate.

MESSRS. OLIPHANT, ANDERSON, & FERRIER, of Edinburgh and London, announce that a second large edition of Dr. Whyte's appreciation of *Father John of the Greek Church* is now in the press, and that a translation into Russian has been undertaken by Colonel E. E. Goulaeff, of St. Petersburg, the translator into English of Father John's book, *My Life in Christ*.

MESSRS. F. EDWARDS & Co., of Bonham Road, Brixton Hill, have sent us some specimens of their beautifully coloured new True Easter Card, and new edition of Sunday School reward pictures, which are very appropriate, and all that could be desired for the purpose for which they are designed.

MESSRS. SEELEY & Co. are about to publish a small volume on the Atonement, by Dr. Wace, entitled *The Sacrifice of Christ, its Living Reality and Efficiency*. The substance of it was delivered in sermons at the Chapel of Lincoln's Inn, and the treatment of the subject is studiously untechnical. The long-promised volume, *The Hope of Immortality*, by the Rev. J. E. C. Weldon, head master of Harrow, is expected to appear soon after Easter. Messrs. Seeley have also in the press a small manual of the Prayer-book, consisting of historical notes and explanations by Dr. Moule; also a brief exposition of the Epistle to the Galatians, entitled *The Cross and the Spirit*, by the same author.

THE Rev. J. H. Matthews, rector of Hedgerley, Slough, has set an appropriate tune to a Confirmation hymn by Marianne Farningham. The music and words on a card are sold at 1*d.* a copy.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on April 6th.

College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on April 4th; St. Michael's, Cornhill, on April 5th; St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, on April 5th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on April 6th.—All about 8 p.m.

St. James' Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on April 4th.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

PREVIOUS to the presentation of the testimonial to Mr. M. A. Wood to-morrow (April 2nd), by Mr. E. A. Davies on behalf of the subscribers, the tower of St. Clement Danes Church, Strand, will be open for ringing from 5 to 6.30.

The Hertford County Association.

THE annual meeting will be held at St. Albans on Easter Monday, when the tower of St. Peter's Church will be open at 2 p.m., and the Cathedral tower later in the afternoon. Evensong at the Cathedral at 5 o'clock, with an address to ringers. Tea at 5.45 at the Town Hall; business meeting for election of officers and general business to follow. Cheap tickets to St. Albans from stations on the Great Northern line and excursion tickets from London by certain trains on the Midland and Great Northern. Members and visitors intending to be present will please send their names not later than Wednesday, April 6th, to
St. Albans. E. P. DEBENHAM, Hon. Sec.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Mary's, Bow, E., on March 28th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5152 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Samuel E. Joyce 1	Thomas Faulkner 5
York Green 2	Ebenezer Andrews 6
Caleb Fenn 3	Henry Springall 7
Rowland Fenn 4	Samuel Hayes 8

Composed by York Green, conducted by Henry Springall. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. S. Hayes.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At the Parish Church, Caversham, Oxon, on March 28th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5038 changes, in 2 hrs. 53 mins. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

Harry Simmonds 1	Ernest W. Menday 5
Thomas H. Taffender* .. 2	George Essex 6
John E. Truss 3	Richard T. Hibbert 7
Edwin J. Menday 4	Thomas Newman 8

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, conducted by Thomas Newman.
[* First peal in the method.]

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 380.)

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The Hertfordshire Association.

THE OXHEY SOCIETY.

At St. Matthew's, Oxhey, on Monday, March 28th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 47 mins. Tenor, 9½ cwt.

Fredk. J. Glennerster ..	1	William Norris ..	5
John B. Bates* ..	2	George N. Price (condr.) ..	6
Herbert Martin ..	3	Charles George ..	7
Bertram Prewett* ..	4	James Alexander ..	8

[* First peal.]

At St. Matthew's, Oxhey, Herts, on March 19th, a peal of MINOR, 5040 changes, being 720 in each of the following:—OXFORD and KENT TREBLE BOB, DOUBLE COURT, COLLEGE SINGLE, CANTERBURY PLEASURE, PLAIN BOB, and GRANDSIRE, in 2 hrs. 45 mins.

W. H. L. Buckingham ..	1	Herbert Martin* ..	4
Charles George* ..	2	Frederick Edwards* ..	5
George N. Price* ..	3	Ernest E. Huntley ..	6

Conducted by W. H. L. Buckingham. [* First 5040 on six bells, also first in seven methods on tower bells by the Association.]

On Thursday, March 24th, in the Belfry of St. Matthew's, Oxhey, on handbells retained in hand, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 changes, in 2 hrs. 59 mins.

Charles George ..	1-2	W. H. L. Buckingham ..	5 6
George N. Price ..	3-4	Herbert Martin ..	7-8
Walter Norris ..			9-10

Composed by the late John Cox, conducted by W. H. L. Buckingham. Umpire: Mr. William Norris. This is the first peal on ten bells by all except the conductor.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, on March 23rd, Thursdays' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Charles George ..	1	George N. Price ..	5
Herbert Martin ..	2	Frederick Edwards ..	6
Frank A. Smith ..	3	Ernest E. Huntley (condr.) ..	7
W. H. L. Buckingham ..	4	William Hewitt ..	8

The Midland Counties' Association.

At All Saints', Loughborough, on March 18th, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 changes, in 3 hrs. 31 mins. Tenor, 28 cwt.

Arthur W. Matthews ..	1	William H. Inglesant ..	6
Thomas H. Colburn ..	2	James Hutchby ..	7
Harry Whittle ..	3	William A. Masters* ..	8
John Grundy ..	4	Richard F. Lane ..	9
Thomas Start ..	5	George Doughty ..	10

Composed by William T. Elson, conducted by Richard E. Lane. [* First peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS.]

AND at Stanford-on-Soar, on March 19th, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 2 mins. Tenor, 17 cwt.

William Pervin ..	1	Harry Whittle ..	5
William H. Inglesant ..	2	James Hutchby ..	6
Thomas Start ..	3	William A. Masters ..	7
William Johnson ..	4	Edward Reader ..	8

Composed by Charles W. Clarke, conducted by Edward Reader.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Lindfield, on March 26th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 9 mins. Tenor, 21½ cwt.

Ernest Tomsett* ..	1	George Williams (condr.) ..	5
Alfred Tomsett* ..	2	John S. Goldsmith ..	6
Frank Bennett ..	3	Keith Hart ..	7
Herbert Tomsett* ..	4	William Symonds* ..	8

[* First peal and first attempt, and belong to the local band.]

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

At Rumburgh Tower, on March 25th, 5040 changes were rung. The methods were PLAIN BOB, APRIL DAY, GRANDSIRE, and OLD DOUBLES (42 in all), in 2 hrs. 52 mins.

Robert Tracey ..	1	Fred. Lambert (conductor) ..	3
T. Linton Wilson ..	2	Samuel Bird ..	4
Albert Lee ..			5

SEVENOAKS.—Messrs. Warner & Son, of Cripplegate, having recast the old church bells, they have been rehung in the belfry, and were rung for the first time on Sunday, March 20th.

UPPER BEEDING, SUSSEX.—At a special service held on Sunday evening, March 20th, at St. Peter's Church, Upper Beeding, the two new bells which have been subscribed for as the Jubilee Memorial of the parish were dedicated by the Vicar, the Rev. H. D. Meyrick, in the presence of a crowded congregation. Five years ago, three bells were added to the three then in the church, and now the full octave has been completed. The service—which owing to Lent was only of a semi-festal character—commenced as the ordinary evensong with the exception of special psalms and lessons, the first of which was read by the Rev. Prebendary Napier, and the second by the Rev. A. Harre. After the third collect the choir and clergy proceeded in procession, singing a special hymn, 'Lift them gently to the steeple,' to the belfry at the west end of the church, where the prayers of dedication were said by the Vicar and a short touch was rung. The choir and clergy then returned to the chancel singing the hymn, 'May Jesus Christ be praised.' The sermon was preached by the Rev. J. Ambrose Wilson, D.D., head master of Lancing College, who took as his text 'I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.' In the course of his address, Dr. Wilson said there was a sum of 36*l.* still required to complete the payment for the new bells. The collection amounted to 5*l.* 1*l.*s. At the conclusion of the service a touch was rung by the Beeding ringers, assisted by the Steyning ringers.

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Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on April 13th.

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney and St. Mary Abbots, Kensington, on April 12th; St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on April 13th; St. Magnus', London Bridge, on April 14th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on April 15th.

The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on April 14th.

The meeting at St. Magnus' is at 7.30; all the others about 8 p.m.

The Hertford County Association.

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St. Albans.

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the headquarters on Saturday, April 2nd, Mr. E. A. Davies, of Barking, Essex, on behalf of the subscribers, presented Mr. M. A. Wood with a purse of gold value 25*l.*, and an album containing address and subscribers' names. The purse, which is of green morocco, bears the inscription, 'M. A. W., April 2nd, 1898.' On the cover of the album, also green, is stamped, 'Testimonial presented to Mr. Matthew A. Wood, by his brother-ringers, 1898.' Inside the album appears this address: 'On Saturday, April 2nd, 1898, the following ringers presented Mr. Matthew A. Wood with this album and a purse containing 25*l.*, as a small token of the regard and esteem in which he is held by them, and in appreciation of the good work he has done for the past fifty-two years, towards the promotion of the high standard of change-ringing which he has continuously maintained.' Subscribers' names, arranged alphabetically, occupy the following pages, and space has been left at the end for an account of the presentation, and a drawing of St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, kindly promised by Mr. W. H. Fussell. The presentation was made in the presence of Miss Macalpine Leny, and many subscribers and friends, including Messrs. Alps, Tarling, and others from Waltham Abbey; Messrs. Fenn and Faulkner, from Barking; Mr. J. George, from Rugby, and many London ringers. During the evening, touches of STEDMAN CATERS were rung on the handbells by Messrs. Winney, Barkus, Alps, Wood, and Wise; and songs were rendered by Messrs. Wood, Davies, W. D. Smith, Albert Coles, Prime, F. Horrex, T. Mash, S. Blackmore, and W. Chamberlain. At St. Clement Danes, in the afternoon, touches of GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN TRIPLES and DOUBLE NORWICH MAJOR were rung. Unfortunately, nothing could be done on ten, as it was impossible to raise the trebles, both hitting the frame. The album was supplied by Mr. Charles Scarborough, whose ornamental writing is so well known to those who frequent the Society's meeting-house, and who have seen the volumes of the well-kept peal-books of this Society.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the Church of St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on April 2nd, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

Samuel E. Joyce 1	Edward Wallage 5
James Scholes 2	Henry Springall (condr.) .. 6
Ebenezer Andrews 3	Emanuel Hall 7
Samuel Hayes 4	George Barrell 8

Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. and Mrs. Scholes.

The St. Martin's Guild, Birmingham.

At the residence of Mr. Rennie, Stretton Road, Aston, on March 23rd, on handbells retained in hand, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 8888 changes, in 5 hrs. 20 mins.

Robert J. Hunt .. 1-2	W. H. Barter 5-6
Bernard Witchell* .. 3-4	William Short 7-8
Thomas Wakeman 9-10	

Composed by the late Henry Johnson, conducted by Bernard Witchell. This is the longest peal of CATERS rung on handbells. [100th peal.]

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BRISTOL.—On March 22nd, at St. Stephen's Church, touches of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB CATERS were rung by members of the St. Stephen's Guild, being the first touches in Bristol by a local band of ringers.

GREENWICH.—On Sunday March 27th, at St. Alfege's, for evening service, by members of the Ancient Society of College Youths, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (from Holt's Original), 1260 changes, in 43 mins. W. Berry (conductor), 1; W. Foreman, 2; J. J. Lamb, 3; H. Hoskins, 4; I. G. Shade, 5; H. Flanders, 6; F. W. Thornton, 7; C. Whitticome, 8.—On Saturday, April 2nd, the ringers of St. Alfege's held their Annual Dinner and Social Evening at the 'Globe,' when twenty-two ringers from Lewisham, Lee, St. John's, Erith, &c., sat down. After dinner, songs were given by Miss C. Airey, Messrs. W. Foreman, T. Priest, C. Walker, and H. Flanders, while Messrs. W. J. Jeffries, F. W. Thornton, and H. Hoskins contributed some tunes on the handbells.

OSPRINGE, KENT.—A quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung at the Parish Church on March 29th, by members of the Kent County Association: W. Saddleton, 1; H. Burling, 2; H. Goodwin, 3; W. J. Willis, 4; C. Millway (conductor), 5; E. E. Bridges, 6; W. Spice, 7; J. Austin, 8. Messrs. Saddleton and Millway came from Borden, and Messrs. Goodwin and Spice from Charing, the rest being members of the Ospringe band.

KENSINGTON.—At St. Mary Abbot's, on April 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 1259 changes. H. Sear, 1; W. E. Garrard (condr.), 2; G. Brush, 3; A. E. Bradley, 4; R. A. Daniell, 5; A. Harris, 6; H. Powell, 7; W. E. Judd, 8; W. Fox, 9; C. H. Phipps, 10.

ACKWORTH, YORKS.—On Sunday, March 13th, the Church bells pealed out for the first time since being repaired and overhauled, and a marked improvement is shown in them.

YARMOUTH.—The whole of the bells of St. Nicholas' Church are at the present time undergoing complete restoration by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, of Whitechapel, London, and two new treble bells are to be added. With these the Parish Church will have a dozen bells, with which its very capable company of ringers will be able to do more than they have yet accomplished in their long career.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.—At a special meeting of the St. Peter's Church Bell Restoration Committee, held on March 21st, it was stated that the two new bells were already cast, and the tenor bell had been recast. Some masonry and carpentry required had also been done in the bell-chamber, and the whole peal was expected to be rehung and ready for ringing by Easter.

ASHFORD, KENT.—Owing to the bad state of repair of the bells of the Parish Church, it is impossible to ring them, and a movement is on foot to obtain a fund with which to make them ringable again. It is a pity that they should so long remain silent, especially as the local band of ringers is a voluntary and efficient one, and there should be no difficulty in winning the aid of the parishioners.

TONBRIDGE, KENT.—Before a representative assemblage, Mr. G. D. Warner unveiled a handsome peal-board in the porch adjoining the vestry at the Parish Church on Tuesday evening, March 15th. The tablet has been erected by the local branch of the Royal Cumberland and Youths Society of Change-ringers in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

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St. James' Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on April 18th.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on April 22nd.—All about 8 p.m.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Hertfordshire Association.

In the belfry of St. Matthew's Church, Oxhey, on April 3rd, on handbells retained in hand, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 30 mins.

Charles George ..	1-2	George N. Price (condr.)	5-6
Herbert Martin ..	3-4	Walter Norris ..	7-8

Umpire: Mr. John B. Bates.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Peter's, Upper Beeding, on April 11th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 45 mins. Tenor, 6 cwt. 4 lbs.

George Williams (condr.)	1	Frank Bennett ..	5
Charles Smart ..	2	Arthur Gatland ..	6
John Smart ..	3	George Smart ..	7
Charles George ..	4	Thomas Searle ..	8

This is the first peal on the bells since their augmentation from six to eight.

Also at St. Mary's, Shoreham, on April 11th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Lionel Sears*	1	Frederick R. Stredwick ..	5
Herbert Rann (condr.)	2	William Palmer ..	6
Frederick Dearing ..	3	Edward C. Merritt ..	7
Thomas Price ..	4	Thomas Steele*	8

[* First peal.]

Chester Diocesan Guild: Wirral Branch.

At St. Saviour's Parish Church, Oxtion, Cheshire, on Tuesday, February 22nd, for practice, 720 OXFORD SINGLE. C. Owens, 1; H. Brocklebank, 2; J. Owens, 3; J. Hughes, 4; G. R. Newton, 5; J. Evans, 6; J. Hughes, 7; W. Grimmant, 8. Conducted by G. Newton.

On Sunday, March 13th, for Divine service, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, as follows:—J. Owens, 1; H. Brocklebank, 2; R. Birchall, 3; W. Hughes, 4; J. Evans, 5; G. R. Newton, 6; J. Hughes, 7; C. Owens, 8. Conducted by J. Hughes.

On Tuesday, March 15th, for practice, 720 PLAIN BOB as follows:—C. Owens, 1; J. Owens, 3; W. Hughes, 4; G. R. Newton, 5; J. Evans, 6; J. Hughes, 7; W. Grimmant, 8. Conducted by J. Hughes.

On Tuesday, March 29th, for practice, 360 CANTERBURY. C. Owens, 1; J. L. Grant, 2; J. Owens, 3; W. Hughes, 4; G. R. Newton, 5; W. Grimmant, 6; J. Hughes, 7; J. Evans, 8. Conducted by J. Hughes. Also 224 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. Owens, 1; H. Brocklebank, 2; R. Birchall, 3; W. Hughes, 4; J. L. Grant, 5; G. R. Newton, 6; J. Hughes, 7; C. Owens, 8. Conducted by J. Hughes.

Sussex Change-ringers at Brighton.

THE annual meeting of the Sussex County Association of Change-ringers was held on April 11th at Brighton, between ninety and a hundred members attending from all parts of the county. The towers of St. Peter's and St. Nicholas' were open for ringing, and at noon a special service was held in the side chapel at the Parish Church, a considerable number of members being present. The Rev. Prebendary Hannah (vicar of Brighton) preached an appropriate sermon on the lessons of Easter-tide. The luncheon was held in the Royal Pavilion, the Mayor (Sir John Blaker) presiding, among those present being the Vicar of Brighton, Mr. G. F. Attree (Master of the Association), the Rev. J. W. G. Loder-Cother (Hon. Secretary), the Rev. C. W. Bond, the Rev. C. P. D. Davies, the Rev. J. Puttick, Mr. J. Ellman Brown, Mr. G. Williams (Hon. Secretary Central Division), Mr. S. Saker (Hon. Secretary Eastern Division), Mr. A. B. Bennett, Mr. F. B. Tompkins, and others.—The Mayor proposed the time honoured toast of 'Church and Queen,' and spoke of the close association which for so many centuries had existed between the Monarchy and the Church.—Mr. G. F. Attree submitted the toast of 'The Mayor and the Vicar.' Sir John Blaker replied in a

very witty and amusing speech. The Rev. Prebendary Hannah also responded, and spoke of the improvements which had been effected in change-ringing. It had been his endeavour to bring up the parish church of Brighton to something of what a parish church in a great town should be, and he recalled the time when, on taking people to the church, they would remark on the inadequacy of the interior; but he could at all events show them the ringers' chamber, which he did not think could be beaten in the whole of England, and the ringers were an exemplary band and a credit to the parish church of Brighton. The ringing had been carried out in a thoroughly satisfactory manner, and he had received no complaint for years.—Mr. Attree, in a brief review of the past year, said that seventy-seven peals had been rung, but in analysing these it was found that not so many branches were ringing peals now as there were a few years ago. In regard to the challenge bell, he would like to say that the St. Peter's band would withdraw from the competition. With regard to finance, he thought that matters were satisfactory, and they could also congratulate themselves on the district meetings. He regretted that they had lost two or three towers during the past year. A letter from the Bishop of Chichester to Mr. Loder-Cother was read, in which he expressed his willingness again to accept the presidency.—Sir John Blaker said he had much pleasure in proposing that the Bishop be re-elected President, and he was sure that this would meet with cordial approval. Mr. J. Ellman Brown seconded, and the motion was carried. On the proposition of Mr. F. B. Tompkins, seconded by the Rev. C. W. Bond, the Vice-Presidents were re-elected: and the Rev. J. W. G. Loder-Cother proposed that Mr. Attree be again their Master for the ensuing year, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies cordially seconding this, which was put by the Mayor and carried with acclamation. The Rev. Prebendary Hannah moved the re-appointment of the Hon. Secretaries, Treasurer, and Auditors, and took the opportunity of congratulating the members on having re-appointed Mr. Attree as Master. They had done honour to themselves and honour to him. The Rev. J. Puttick, in seconding, spoke of the untiring services which Mr. Loder-Cother had rendered to the Association. The motion was carried. Twelve new members were added: and the report and financial statement were then adopted, the accounts showing a balance of 11l. 19s. 1d. in hand. Mr. E. Brant moved 'That the annual meeting be held at various centres, not always at Brighton.' Mr. G. Howse seconded; but Mr. Tompkins and others having pointed out the inconvenience which would be caused if the motion was adopted, it was postponed till next year; as also was a proposal that the Committee for each division be elected annually, and not, as at present, every three years. The meeting ended with the usual votes of thanks.

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Spottiswoode. (London: S.P.C.K. 1898.)—A summary of our position as against Rome and the recent Bull.

THE UNITY OF THE CHURCH AS TREATED BY ENGLISH THEOLOGICALS. By the Rev. T. A. Lacey, vicar of Madingley. (London: S.P.C.K. 1898.)—One of the publications of the Church Historical Society; it displays a great deal of learning and ability, but with perhaps too much special pleading here and there.

THE DEVOUT PILGRIM'S GUIDE TO THE HOLY LAND IN THE WAY OF PRAYER. By Elizabeth Harcourt Mitchell. (London: Church Printing Company. 1898. 5s.)—Intended to help travellers in Palestine to understand the events that took place at the Holy Sites connected with our Lord. Each place has an appropriate Scripture passage, reflection and prayer.

TERJE VIKEN (from the Norse of Henrik Ibsen) and other poems, grave and gay, by Alfred Lishman. Published by the Author, at Fockerby, Goole.—The Ibsen poem was worth translating, and we have laughed a good deal at some of the others.

A BLUE BOOK FOR SALE—One-Act Comedy for Home Performance, by M. Betham-Edwards (London: Dean & Co. 1898. 1s.), should be pleasing if well acted.

GLASS BLOWING AND WORKING. For Amateurs, Experimentalists, and Technicians. By Thomas Bolas, F.C.S. (London: Dawbarn & Ward. 1898. 2s. net.)—Given the glass, this interesting volume shows us how to make all kinds of pretty and useful things with it. It is well written, clear in style, and fully illustrated. It should be popular among boys and amateurs generally.

Magazines.

THE CHURCH QUARTERLY has a powerful article on Canon Moberly's *Ministerial Priesthood*, which was recently reviewed in these columns, and an appreciative notice of the late Dean Butler. 'Some Typical Novels' is well written, and useful as well as interesting. 'Science and Theology'; 'The Attempted Vindication of the Bull Apostolica Curæ'; and 'Landscape in Poetry' are among a few of the excellent papers in the current issue of this ever-popular periodical.

THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS this month has an excellent portrait of the Right Hon. George Curzon, M.P., the able Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs. The 'Progress of the World' is, as usual, admirably done, and is well illustrated with portraits and maps. The character sketch deals with George Muller, of Bristol, whose excellent work in providing orphanages is well known. The topic of the month is 'The Jubilee Awakening of 1848,' illustrated; while the book of the month is Mr. H. G. Wells' 'Latest Apocalypse of the end of the World.' This magazine is always full of instructive and interesting reading.

ON Friday a sitting of the London Consistory Court was held before the Chancellor, Dr. Tristram, Q.C., in the Wellington Chapel of St. Paul's Cathedral, for the hearing of a case in which a motion was made to the Court for the issuing of a faculty to the Governors of the Charterhouse, giving power for the removal of fourteen bodies from the chapel of the Charterhouse, Aldersgate Street. After hearing the evidence, the Chancellor gave judgment, decreeing the faculty to issue as prayed for. The terms he decided to draw up in Chambers, and ordered the faculty to lie in the Registrar's office for fifteen days before being issued. He further suggested that the bodies should be interred in separate graves. Mr. Wright, on behalf of the Corporation of the Charterhouse, said it was proposed to bury the bodies in one grave, with a tombstone giving indications as to the remains. The Chancellor held that it would be better for the Governors to bury in separate graves, as, in the event of relatives coming forward and claiming the bodies at present unclaimed, it would facilitate the removal to other cemeteries if they desired so to remove the bodies. Mr. Wright then, on behalf of the Governors, agreed to provide the separate graves.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: to-day (April 22nd).

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on April 27th; St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, on April 28th.

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney and St. Mary Abbot's, Kennington, on April 26th; St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on April 27th; St. Magnus', London Bridge,* on April 28th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on April 29th.

The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on April 28th.

* The meeting at St. Magnus' is at 7.30; all the others about 8 p.m.]

The Hertford County Association of Change-ringers.

The annual meeting of the above Association was held at St. Albans on Easter Monday. The towers of the Cathedral and St. Peter's were open for ringing, and at 5 p.m. a service was held in the Cathedral, at which a good number of ringers were present. The Ven. Archdeacon Lawrance in the course of his address said that a great and important trust was reposed in them as change-ringers. They were engaged in an important church work—a work which was not seen, but certainly could be heard. It was quite possible to have great skill in bell-ringing, and yet not possess the feeling they should have in church work. It was necessary to have full connexion between the two. Speaking especially to the younger members, he said their duty was distinctly religious. They might be sure all they gave to God was returned to them tenfold. God would show them, as they knew in connexion with ringing, that there must be order, and above all, harmony one with another.

At the conclusion of the service, tea was served in the Town Hall, to which fifty-eight sat down. This was followed by a business meeting. The chair was taken by the Rev. Canon Wigram, President of the Association, who was supported by the Rev. R. A. Squires, Rev. E. S. Phillips, Messrs. H. J. Toulmin, F. W. Silvester, E. P. Debenham (Hon. Sec.), G. W. Cartmel and H. Lewis (Assist. Hon. Secs.), and representatives from the towers of Hatfield, Aldenham, Little Mundon, St. Albans, Hitchin, Baldock, Hemel Hempstead, Berkhamsted, Bushey, Oxhey, London, Graveley, Redbourne. In presenting his report, the Hon. Sec. said, 'I must congratulate the members on the progress that has been made: a large number of new ringing members have joined, and the tower of Hemel Hempstead gained through the energy of Mr. W. H. Newel, of Berkhamsted. The financial position of the Association is encouraging. The peals during the year have increased both in number and the variety of methods. They comprise 2 of CATERS, 5 of MAJOR, 24 of TRIPLES, and 4 on 6 bells, making a total of 35, a record in the annals of the Association.'

Mr. F. W. Silvester moved the adoption of the report, which was seconded by Mr. H. J. Toulmin and carried. The following officers were re-elected.—Canon Wigram, President; Mr. E. P. Debenham, Hon. Sec.; Messrs. G. W. Cartmel and H. Lewis, Assist. Hon. Secs.; Mr. E. E. Huntley, Hon. Auditor.

The Worcestershire and Districts Association.

The annual meeting of the above Association was held at Dudley on Easter Monday, when members were present from Areley Kings, Birmingham, Bromsgrove, Dudley, Hagley, Kidderminster, Netherton, Old Hill, Oldswinford, Pershore, Stourbridge, Tipton, Worcester, Wollaston, West Bromwich, &c. A special service was held in the Parish Church, Dudley. Prayers were said by the Rev. A. Gray Maitland (vicar), and the Rev. W. C. Gibbs (rector of Hagley) read the lessons. The Rev. A. Gray Maitland delivered an interesting address, taking for his text, 'Cause a bell to be tolled' (from the Prayer-book). The rev. gentleman, in the course of his remarks, said: 'The tolling and ringing of the bells has now for the most part passed out of the hands of the clergy. Although the clergy are to be numbered among those who study and practise the art or science of bell-ringing, such names as those of Sir Michael Hicks, Sir Watkin Williams Wynn, Lord Mayor Slingsby Bethel, Sir Matthew Hale, the Lord Chief Justice, are to be found among the bell-ringers. Guilds and societies of bell-ringers are very ancient. The Society of College Youths was, perhaps, the most important. But now we have the Diocesan and Archidiaconal Associations, and following the Church lines we shall doubtless soon have ruri-decanal guilds. Fabian Stedman, of Cambridge, is the father of modern bell-ringers, for to him is due that complex system of changes which makes a "peal." In days gone by the belfry was not looked upon as a part of the consecrated church. Strewn about in the belfry would be found jugs of beer, pipes, and tobacco. The bell-ringers who called the people to prayer too generally would not go into church themselves when their work was done, but rather into the nearest ale-house. Modern bell-ringers have changed all that. Such organizations

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as the ancient "College Youths" and the diocesan and other guilds and associations of to-day have adopted stringent rules to safeguard the sanctity of the belfry and the character and conduct of the ringers. Bell-ringers are regarded to-day as important and honoured church workers, and, generally speaking, they are faithful worshippers and communicants. Men are not encouraged now to become bell-ringers on the ground that it is a pretty art and is a healthy exercise, but rather on the high ground that they can in this way serve God and His Church, and thus, alongside the clergy and other lay helpers, they are "labourers together with God." This great Worcestershire and District Change-ringing Association has distinguished itself by the number of its successful peals, by its unity and harmony and strength in the great brotherhood of bell-ringers. May it ever set the highest example of personal character and conduct, and the highest example of loyalty and devotion as servants of the risen Lord and Saviour in His one holy Catholic Church.

At five o'clock tea was provided in the King Street Schoolroom (catered for by Mr. Brakewell, of Netherton), upwards of seventy members being present, presided over by the Vicar of Dudley, and supported by the Revs. S. J. Marriott (vicar) and J. B. Drinkwater (curate), of Netherton; W. C. Gibbs (rector, Hagley), E. G. J. Moore (curate of Oldswinford), and Mr. G. G. Brown (churchwarden, Dudley). Mesdames A. Gray Maitland, W. H. Thompson, J. Smith, and Jones kindly officiated at the tables. The business meeting followed, the Vicar of Dudley in the chair. Letters of apology were read from the Revs. Canons Knox-Little and Newton, H. Kingsford Stoulton, and A. B. Timbrell (Oldswinford). The retiring officers were re-elected, and Pershore was chosen for the next quarterly meeting. New members were admitted from Brierly Hill, Birmingham, Netherton, Stoke Prior, Worcester, and Smethwick. A letter was read by the Hon. Secretary from the Rev. A. B. Timbrell resigning the office of Hon. Clerical Secretary through ill-health. The Chairman proposed that the resignation be accepted, and that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter expressing the regret felt by the Association for the cause which compelled him to take such a step. It was proposed that the Rev. W. C. Gibbs be elected Hon. Clerical Secretary. Votes of thanks were given to the Vicar for presiding, and for the use of the schoolroom, tower, and bells; to the ladies for their assistance, and also to the clergy who placed at the disposal of the Association their towers and bells for peal-ringing. During the day touches of STEDMAN, TREBLE BOB, PLAIN BOB, and GRANDSIRE were rung on the parish church bells, Dudley. The Vicar of Dudley presented to Mr. S. Spittle, the Master of the Association, for the use of the Dudley parish church belfry, *A Book about Bells*, by the Rev. G. S. Tyack, B.A., recently published by Andrews & Co., Hull, and acknowledging his indebtedness to the volume in the matter of his address, he recommended it to all interested in bells.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Chester Diocesan Guild.

At St. Mary's Parish Church, Stockport, Cheshire, on Easter Sunday, April 10th, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5184 changes, in 3 hrs. 25 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt., in E flat.

William Gordon ..	1	J. A. Gordon ..	6
Alfred Gordon ..	2	Samuel Mitchell ..	7
William Gordon, jun.	3	J. W. Bayley ..	8
Thomas Sale ..	4	A. S. Gordon ..	9
Joseph Barlow ..	5	Alfred Birch ..	10

Composed by Arthur Knights, and conducted by William Gordon, sen.

The Kent County Association.

At St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on April 16th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 24 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

Isaac G. Shade ..	1	Harry Warnett ..	5
Thomas Taylor ..	2	Harry Hoskins ..	6
John J. Lamb ..	3	Harry Flanders ..	7
William Foreman ..	4	Frederick W. Thornton ..	8

Composed by J. Reeves; conducted by F. W. Thornton. Rung as a compliment to Richard Stephens Jackson, Esq., L.C.C., and Harry Bolton Sewell, Esq., on their being elected churchwardens for the ensuing year.

ON Sunday, April 10th, for evening service, 1259 GRANDSIRE CATERS, composed by C. Charge. H. Sear, 1; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 2; G. Brush, 3; R. Charge, 4; A. E. Bradley, 5; A. F. Harris, 6; H. Powell, 7; W. E. Judd, 8; W. Fox, 9; J. Judd, 10.

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At Christ Church, Epsom, on April 11th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 11½ cwt.

Harry Sear* ..	1	Archibald F. Harris* ..	5
William E. Garrard (condr.)	2	Reuben Charge ..	6
William E. Judd ..	3	William Fox ..	7
Arthur E. Bradley ..	4	John Judd ..	8

* First peal; also the first peal by the St. Mary Abbot's Guild.

[We congratulate the St. Mary Abbot's Guild on the achievement, as several of the ringers have only been learning a short time, under the tuition of Mr. Garrard.—Ed. Church Bells.]

The Worcestershire and District Association.

At St. Martin's, Tipton, on April 11th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 2 hrs. 59 mins. Tenor, 12 cwt. 25 lbs.

Thomas Wakeman ..	1	Thomas J. Salter ..	5
Albert E. Parsons ..	2	James Pagett ..	6
Noah Davis ..	3	William H. Smith ..	7
Adolphus Roberts ..	4	R. E. Gorge (conductor) ..	8

ALSO at St. Andrew's, Netherton, on April 11th, a peal of DARLSTON BOB TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 1 min. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

Harry Price ..	1	John Smith ..	5
George Pagett ..	2	John Goodman ..	6
John W. Smith ..	3	W. Micklewright (condr.)	7
Samuel J. Hughes ..	4	John Godfrey ..	8

AND at St. Andrew's, Netherton, on April 12th, a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 51 mins.

G. H. Cockin ..	1	Joseph Brettell ..	5
John W. Smith ..	2	W. Micklewright (condr.)	6
Arthur Spittle ..	3	John Smith ..	7
Adolphus Roberts ..	4	John Godfrey ..	8

[Composers' names not sent with report.]

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

At St. Mary's, Thornham Magna, Suffolk, on April 13th, a peal of Doubles, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins., being 720 each of St. SIMON'S, PLAIN BOB, THE DREAM, MORNING STAR, APRIL DAY, ST. DUNSTAN, and GRANDSIRE. Tenor, 12 cwt.

Edward Youngs ..	1	Edward Buckingham ..	4
John Buckingham ..	2	Alexander Symonds (con.)	5
George Moss ..	3		

First peal by the Company.

The Sussex County Association at Hastings.

ON Sunday, April 17th, at Christ Church, Blacklands, for 11 a.m. service, 464 BOB MAJOR. G. Williams, 1; J. Livermore, 2; F. Bennett, 3; F. Lock, 4; W. Franks, 5; H. P. Howcroft, 6; S. Saker, 7; J. S. Goldsmith, 8; and for afternoon service at St. Clement's Church, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. S. Saker, 1; W. Franks, 2; H. P. Howcroft, 3; F. Bennett, 4; F. Lock, 5; J. S. Goldsmith, 6; G. Williams, 7; Stapley, 8; also in the evening at Christ Church, Blacklands, for 6.30 p.m. service, 384 BOB MAJOR. S. Saker, 1; J. Livermore, 2; F. Bennett, 3; F. Lock, 4; W. Franks, 5; H. P. Howcroft, 6; G. Williams, 7; J. S. Goldsmith, 8; and another touch of 384 in same method by the same band. Messrs. Williams and Bennett came from Brighton; J. S. Goldsmith, from Lewes; W. Franks, from Battle; the rest are local men.

ELTHAM, KENT.—The six bells of the parish church have been rehung and quarter-turned and the frame strengthened by S. B. Goslin, of the Bishopsgate Foundry. The bells were rung in peal on Easter Sunday at 5 a.m., and the 'go' of them is pronounced to be excellent.

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Reviews

THE SYMMETRY OF SCRIPTURE. By the Right Rev. W. C. Bompas, Bishop of Selkirk, Canada. (James Pott & Co. 6s.)—Bishop Bompas argues that 'if the Bible is the Word and Work of God, we must expect to find in it a similar difference from human books to that found between the work of God in nature and the handiwork of man,' and then he goes on to say, 'Careful examination brings to light precisely analogous principles in the composition of Scripture to those in the bird or insect. It is a living Word. It all falls into perfect symmetry of construction, being arranged in lines of three, four, or five words each, and in stanzas of three, four, or five lines. Throughout the Bible numerous words are repeated in the same context, and the repeated words yield a consecutive sense, giving an epitome of the complete text, with some great light upon it. They might be compared to the running head-lines found in some of our Bibles.' Such is the principle on which Dr. Bompas approaches his subject. He commences with passages of Scripture, dealing with them in the above manner, with explanatory notes. Then he deals with other passages of Scripture, symmetrically arranged, and he concludes with extracts from the Prayer-book, symmetrically arranged. The arguments are frequently ingenious, and there is much that is valuable and helpful in the plan, and in the manner in which it is worked out.

FIVE HUNDRED STORIES AND ILLUSTRATIONS. By the Rev. Walker Gwynne (James Pott & Co. 6s. net.) is, as its title tells us, a collection of anecdotes illustrative of Christian doctrine, and arranged in the order of the Christian seasons, and in the order of the teaching of the Church Catechism. Where so large a number of stories are gathered from various sources, there must of necessity be some which are less to the point than others. But in this volume there is evidence of much care in the selection, and it will be found helpful, not only to the clergy, but to Sunday-school teachers and others.

Magazines.

THE CLERGYMAN'S MAGAZINE includes a paper on the Epistle to Philemon, by Dr. H. C. G. Moule, who was unable to contribute his intended 'Ephesian Study.' The Rev. H. G. Youard supplies 'Points for Preachers on the Sunday Gospels,' while the other writers are the Rev. C. Powell, the Rev. L. Parry, and 'Clericus Anglicanus.'

THE STUDIO has four exquisite supplements, including a reproduction in colours after a water-colour drawing by Henri Harpignies, and a study of trees by the same artist; a reproduction in colours of a cartoon by Heywood Sumner; and an auto-lithograph in four colours by Armand Rassenfosse. Mr. Frederick Lees gives an interesting description of Henri Harpignies and his work, with eleven illustrations; Mr. Heywood Sumner's work is dealt with by Mr. Gleeson White, with fourteen illustrations; and Carl G. Laurin tells much that is interesting about Anders Zorn, the Swedish painter and etcher. The first of a series of articles on 'Modern Domestic Architecture' as from the pen of Mr. Ernest Newton, while Fernand Khnopff writes on 'Some Artists at Liège.' This is one of the best numbers of this excellent magazine which we have seen for a long time.

THE ARTIST for May issues a special Royal Academy Number, with original studies and sketches for pictures of the year, by Sir E. J. Poynter, P.R.A.; Sir E. Burne-Jones, R.A.; L. Alma Tadema, R.A., and many other well-known artists. We hope to give a more detailed notice, with illustrations, in a future number.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on May 4th; St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, May 5th.

College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on May 2nd; St. Paul's Cathedral and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on May 3rd; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on May 4th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on May 6th.

St. James' Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on May 2nd.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on May 6th.—All about 8 p.m.

The Kent County Association of Change-ringers.

ASHFORD DISTRICT.—A District Meeting will be held at Charing on Saturday afternoon, May 7th, 1898. No allowances.

Hythe, Kent, April 26th, 1898.

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St. George's Day in London.

The bells of St. Clement Danes, Strand: St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington; and St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, were rung at intervals on the 23rd inst. to celebrate St. George's Day.

The Kent County Association.

OPENING OF THE VICTORIA PEAL AT CHATHAM.

EASTER SUNDAY was quite a red-letter day at the ancient parish church of St. Mary, Chatham, it being the day appointed for the opening of the new peal of bells in the Victoria Tower of the church. These bells are called the Victoria peal by special permission of the Queen. The tower was built and bells put there in honour of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, 1897. H.R.H. Princess Christian attended the dedication service, which was conducted by the Bishop of Rochester on February 2nd, 1898. Since then the townspeople have been anxiously waiting to hear the new bells peal forth, as they are quite a new thing in Chatham, there being four churches with only one bell each. A special service was arranged in the afternoon for the opening, at which there was a good congregation, which included the Mayor (Mr. G. H. De la Cour) and several Councillors, Mr. Churchwarden Bessent, Mr. and Mrs. Viney and Miss Withecomb (donors of the bells). The service was a shortened form of evensong, with special Psalms and hymns, and an interesting address by the Rector, the Rev. J. Tetley Rowe, on the history and uses of bells.

After service, a band of ringers from Gillingham and Rochester rang several touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, including 168 and 504 by the following:—C. Waterman, 1; W. Haigh (conductor), 2; A. Osborne, 3; A. King, 4; J. Tullet, 5; W. Easter, 6; W. Baker, 7; W. Hunt, 8; after which the ringers adjourned to the vestry, where tea was provided.

On Easter Monday, an attempt was made for a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES by the following members of the Kent County Association:—T. Mantering, 1; F. W. Thornton, 2; C. Waterman, 3; Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, 4; W. Haigh, 5; S. Snelling, 6; A. Palmer (conductor), 7; W. Hunt, 8. The attempt was abandoned after about 54 mins. ringing, owing to the ropes being 'springy.' The bells are a fine musical peal from the well-known firm of Messrs. Warner & Sons. Tenor, 25 cwt. 21 lbs., in E flat.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.

At St. Peter's, Curdridge, Hants, on April 23rd, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 31 mins. Tenor, 26½ cwt., in D.

John W. Whiting ..	1	Charles Giles ..	5
Isaac G. Shade ..	2	John S. Goldsmith ..	6
Henry White ..	3	Frederick S. Bayley ..	7
Frank Bennett (150th peal) ..	4	George Williams ..	8

Composed by Henry Dains; conducted by George Williams. This was the first peal on this fine ring of eight by Taylor & Co., the 'go' of which is simply perfect.

ALSO, at St. Edward's, Netley Abbey, Hants, on April 24th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 2 hrs. 55 mins. Tenor, 8½ cwt.

John W. Whiting ..	1	Frank Bennett ..	5
George Williams ..	2	Isaac G. Shade ..	6
John S. Goldsmith ..	3	Henry White ..	7
Charles Giles ..	4	Frederick S. Bayley ..	8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow; conducted by George Williams. This was the first peal of SUPERLATIVE on these bells.

The Lancashire Association.

At the Parish Church, Eccles, on April 19th, Brook's Variation peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 47 mins. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

Walter Brown ..	1	Harry Chapman ..	5
Frank Carter ..	2	Frederick Derbyshire ..	6
George E. Turner ..	3	Richard Ridyard (condr.) ..	7
Alfred Cross ..	4	Amos Trippier ..	8

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Stephen's, Coleman Street, E.C., on April 23rd, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

James Scholes	1	Thomas Faulkner	5
Samuel E. Joyce	2	Henry Springall	6
York Green	3	Samuel Hayes	7
Rowland Fenn	4	Albert Hardy	8

Composed by John H. Barrett, conducted by Henry Springall. This is the first peal in the method on these bells.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At All Saints' Church, High Wycombe, Bucks, on April 23rd, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 changes, in 3 hrs. 35 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

Frederick G. Biggs	1	Frank K. Biggs	6
John C. Truss	2	Joseph Waghorn, jun.	7
Thomas H. Taffender	3	Walter E. Yates	8
George Martin	4	Ralph H. Biggs	9
John Evans	5	Benjamin Page	10

Composed by the late J. Cox, conducted by John C. Truss. The ringers wish to thank the Vicar for kindly entertaining them at the vicarage after the peal.

RUGBY, WARWICKSHIRE.—On April 11th, at St. Andrew's Church, by members of the Rugby Society, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 47 mins. J. Coates, 1; R. Watson, 2; A. Dubber, 3; A. J. Gillings, 4; J. Holmes, 5; H. Tarver, 6; J. George, 7; H. King, 8. Tenor, 25 cwt., in D. Composed and conducted by James George. This composition contains the twenty-four 6-7's all the right way. First quarter-peal by Messrs. Coates, Gillings, and Tarver. The above was rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. Thomas Turner (a member of this Society) to Miss Margaret Ellen Ellis, which took place on that day at St. Leonard's Church, Colchester, the band wishing them every happiness and prosperity.—Also at St. Andrew's Church, on April 20th, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (1260 changes) in 46 mins. J. Coates, 1; R. Watson, 2; A. Dubber, 3; A. J. Gillings, 4; J. W. Chandler, 5; A. Flowers, 6; J. George, 7; H. King, 8. This composition, which contains the twenty-four 6-7's, was composed and conducted by James George, and was rung in honour of the marriage of Mr. E. H. Warr (a member of the Rugby Society) to Miss Banks, which took place on that day at the Church of Holy Trinity, Rugby, the band wishing them happiness and prosperity.

PIMLICO.—At St. John's, Wilton Road, on April 17th, for evening service, 1330 changes of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (from Holt's Original) in 45 mins. Tenor, 10 cwt. T. W. Channer (first quarter-peal), 1; G. T. McLaughlin, 2; S. J. Reed, 3; E. Duff, 4; J. Thimblethorpe, 5; J. M. Hayes, 6; F. T. Gover (conductor), 7; R. A. Wilson, 8.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Times* mentions the following authentic instance of longevity, and of a survival of 'the constant service of the antique world.' An old and faithful servant of the Dean and Chapter of Wells, by name Charles Cardwell, born April 9th, 1798, died on March 15th, 1893. For seventy-six years he had daily rung the Cathedral bell for matins and evensong, and during this time he had tolled the parting knell of three of our Kings, of five Bishops of the diocese, and of six Deans of the Cathedral Church. At his death, though his eyes were dimmed, his natural forces were so fairly sustained that, but for the death, at seventy, of the daughter who nursed him, he would, in all human probability, have outlived his 100th birthday on Easter Eve, and might have rivalled Canon Beadon, his contemporary at Wells, who died in his 102nd year in 1879.

MIDSOMER NORTON, SOMERSET.—The work of rehanging the old bells in the tower of St. John-the-Baptist's Church was completed on March 19th, and on the following Friday they were rededicated by the Archdeacon of Wells. Shortened evensong at seven o'clock was conducted by the Rev. W. E. Newling (vicar), assisted by the Rev. Mr. Luff. At its close the Venerable Archdeacon, with the Vicar and choir, went in procession to the belfry, where the special rededication service was conducted. The Midsomer Norton Ringers' Guild then gave a short peal on the bells, after which a suitable address was given by the Archdeacon. After the service several touches were rung. The first and second bells bear the inscription: 'The gift of Charles the Second, T. B. F. 1750.' The initials indicate Thomas Bilbie, Fecit, 1750. The third, also from the same beneficent patron, emphasises its advent in the poetic inspiration, 'Twas Charles the Second, Our Gracious King, Was the Chief Cause We Eight Bells Ring. T. B. F. 1750.' It is evident, therefore, that these three were cast at the Royal command by Thomas Bilbie, then of Chew Stoke. The fourth, fifth, and sixth bells simply bear the date 1623. On the seventh is 'John

Harris Lansdown and Richard Batt, Churchwardens, 1793. Repent, I say, Be not to Late This Life At All Times Ready Make. Thomas and James Bilbie, Chew Stoke, Fecit.' On number eight is 'Mr. Sydenham Pontz. For Madam Hooper and Mr. George Harris, Churchwardens. Thomas Bilbie, Fecit, 1750.' The weight of the tenor bell is about 25 cwt.

GLoucester.—The Corporation of Gloucester have presented to St. Michael's Church, in that city, a bell which was cast in 1706 as a market bell, and hung in the tower of Holy Trinity Church until 1749, when it was taken down and placed in the Tolsey, where it was the fire-alarm until the demolition of the building on the erection of the new Guildhall. At St. Michael's Church, where the curfew bell is still rung at eight o'clock, there is a peal of eight bells, which will now be increased to ten, by the gifts of the Corporation and of the Mayor, who was in his younger days a great campanologist.

RAUNDS, NORTHANTS.—Last year a movement was set on foot for the restoration of the church bells and rehanging them in a new frame in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The estimated cost was 380*l*. Providing this amount could be raised, Mr. J. King-smith generously offered to defray the cost of two additional bells to complete the octave. The Church Council, considering that the increasing of the number of bells from six to eight and rehanging them in a new frame would be a most suitable way of commemorating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, determined to accept Mr. King-smith's offer, and at once appealed to the parish to raise the amount required. Easter Monday was chosen for the reopening of the six and the dedication of the two new bells. The dedication service commenced at 2.25. A touch was then rung on the six old bells. At 2.30 the clergy, with the choir, proceeded to the belfry singing a processional hymn. The Rev. A. E. Oldroyd read the dedication prayers. Evensong then followed. The Rev. A. E. Oldroyd preached an excellent sermon, basing his discourse on the words, 'Make thee two silver trumpets . . . for the calling of the assembly.' A collection was made for the Bells Fund at the close of the service. An excellent tea was provided in the Upper National Schools, to which about 400 sat down. The bells rang out merrily, ringers being present from Finedon, Tichmarsh, Thrapston, and Rushden, in addition to the Raunds ringers and Mr. Taylor, of Loughborough. Several touches of MINOR, TRIPLES, and TREBLE BOB MAJOR were rung during the evening by mixed bands.

WHITBY.—On April 11th, the Rev. Canon Austen, rector, dedicated two new bells in the tower of St. Mary's Parish Church, Whitby. The bells were provided by Mr. J. Stevenson, J.P., for forty-six years a faithful and devoted servant of the Church, and they were dedicated in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

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THE second number of THE WIDE WORLD MAGAZINE is full of stirring reading. 'The Queerest Monarch in the World' is an account of the extraordinary King of Uganda; 'Across the Atlantic in an Open Boat' is the story of the perilous adventure indicated by the title; and the 'Romance of the Mission Field' are among a few of the varied contents which at once interest, amuse, and instruct.

THE TEMPLE is a fair average number. There is an agreeable account of the 'Princess Christian's Home and Life Work,' which is well illustrated; 'Down in a Coal Mine' is an interesting article, and the opening chapters of a new serial, by George Manville Fenn, are full of promise for the future.

THE QUIVER has a capital group of stories. 'God Silent to Us—and Why,' by Dean Farrar, is an article affording ample material for reflection. 'No Thoroughfare,' from the picture by J. Haynes Williams, is the frontispiece, and the Bishop of Shanghai (of the Church in America), in a clever article, gives his impressions, framed after his close knowledge of China. 'May Meeting Celebrities' is very much to the point just at the present time. The illustrations are as numerous and good as ever.

GOOD WORDS contains its usual varied supply of fiction and interesting articles, among others on 'Our First English Sea-fight with the Turks,' and 'Lloyd's.' The latter gives us a peep behind the scenes at the Royal Exchange, where we are reminded, Lloyd's rooms have been used for their present purpose since the great fire of 1898 destroyed the premises which they had previously tenanted. Besides the Captains' room, the Secretary's offices, and committee rooms, where administrative work is carried on, there is one which is appropriately named the 'Chamber of Horrors.' It is in this room that the lists of casualties and of missing ships are posted up, sheets of dire portent for the unfortunate underwriters who are 'on the risks.' In the underwriting room close by may be seen the well-named 'Black Book,' which underwriters approach each morning with fear lest they should find in it the notification that some ship on which they had taken a 'line' has come to grief.

IN THE SUNDAY MAGAZINE, Dr. Robertson Nicoll contributes an appreciation of Charles Haddon Spurgeon, and the Dean of Peterborough concludes his paper on 'Peterborough Cathedral.' 'Two Lives that Touched,' by Mrs. Garnett, is a stirring narrative of love and war; Mrs. Molesworth continues her novel, 'The Laurel Walk,' and among the remainder of the contents is an illustrated account of the Bishop of St. Asaph.

THE DAWN OF DAY has among its contributors the Bishop of Argyll and the Isles, the Bishop of Stepney, and the Rev. Montague Fowler. Austin Clare's attractive story, 'The Change in Robert Holt,' is continued in serial form. There is also an interesting paper on China. This magazine is certainly a marvellous production for a halfpenny.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day (May 6th).

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on May 11th; St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, on May 12th.

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kennington, on May 10th; St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on May 11th; St. Magnus', London Bridge,* on May 12th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on May 13th.

The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on May 12th.

[* The meeting at St. Magnus' is at 7.30; all the others about 8 p.m.]

Ancient Scottish Bells.

AT a meeting of the Dumfries Antiquarian Society, Mr. James Barbour, architect, read a paper on 'The Church Bells of Holywood and Kirkmahoe and the Church and Municipal Bells of Lochmaben.' With reference to the Holywood bells, which belonged to the old monastery of that name, and are now in the parish church tower, he gave their measurements and notes, the one being in A flat and the other in C. The earliest mention of them is contained, he said, in Sir John Sinclair's *Statistical Account* (1789), where it is said: 'The present church has two fine bells taken out of the old building, one of which, by an inscription and date on it, appears to have been consecrated by the Abbot, John Wrich, in the year 1154.' That reading had been accepted for over a hundred years. But it had long been felt to be unsatisfactory, since the oldest dated bell known to exist in England was marked 1296. He had himself taken a rubbing of the inscription, which he translated as follows: 'I, Welch, Abbot of Holywood, caused me to be made in the year of our Lord [one thousand] five hundred and five.' A shield on the other bell was charged with the Kennedy arms, and bore the initials 'V.K.,' probably for William Kennedy. There was a William Kennedy perpetual commendator of the Abbey of Holywood, which he had ascertained from the charter of the Abbey of Crossreguel, as printed by the Ayrshire and Galloway Archaeological Association. He was elected Abbot of Crossreguel in 1520, and continued in that office till his death in 1547. In 1527 he was commendator at Holywood; and it was no doubt he who was the donor of the bell.

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RECENT INTERVIEW,

No. 166, BY MR. CONGREVE'S COMMISSIONER; WITH

Rev. J. P. DAVIES, Welsh Baptist Minister, Caerphilly Glamorgan.

(This case has not been published before.)

Mr. Davies' illness seems to date back to the beginning of the year 1887, when he was attacked by a severe cold and hoarseness. He came to Coombe Lodge, obtained medicine and advice, followed the treatment for a year, and then was sufficiently well to leave it off. About two years ago he contracted another bad cold, and had to call in medical advice. For five weeks the doctor attended him each day. During the time he was unconscious, which condition lasted three weeks and three days; his daughter administered Mr. Congreve's medicine. At that time the doctor had reported that one of the lungs was quite gone.

'There is no doubt I was very ill,' Mr. Davies told me when I saw him at his house in the autumn of 1897. 'At one time the doctor told a relative I could not live more than a few hours. One of the religious journals reported that I was sinking; there was even a rumour that I was dead. No one believed that I could recover. Many ministerial friends called to see me, and one of them told a committee of which I was a member, when a vote of sympathy was suggested, that I should not be alive to receive it. But I disappointed them all, and, humanly speaking, I have to thank Mr. Congreve's medicine for my recovery. I am still taking it, but am so far recovered that for the last twelve months I have been able to attend to all my pastoral work, and to preach as usual. As a matter of fact I am heavier than ever before in my life, and weigh thirty pounds more than I did before I was taken ill.'

This Rev. J. P. Davies is well known throughout the southern portion of the Principality; and as a matter of course, expressed himself as being quite willing that this testimony should go forth to the world.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At Christ Church, Spitalfields, London, on April 30th, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 22 mins. Tenor, 33 cwt.

James Pettit (conductor) .. 1	Henry Springall .. 5
James Scholes .. 2	Samuel E. Joyce .. 6
Matthew A. Wood .. 3	Emanuel Hall .. 7
Edward Wallage .. 4	Walter Prime .. 8

This is Mr. Wood's 350th peal. It is interesting to note that fifty-two years ago he took part in the first peal of TREBLE BOB on these bells, being on that occasion the youngest member of the band, while in the performance recorded above he is the eldest.

Also at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on April 30th, a peal of SUPER-LATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 17 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

George Mulley .. 1	John N. Oxborrow .. 5
Arthur G. Ellis .. 2	Frederick Dench .. 6
Henry S. Ellis .. 3	Charles T. P. Brice .. 7
Henry R. Newton .. 4	James Willshire .. 8

Composed by Nathan J. Pifstow, and conducted by Charles T. P. Brice.

The Worcestershire and Districts Association.

At the Parish Church, Dudley, on April 25th, Thurstan's Five-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 22 cwt.

William R. Small .. 1	George H. Cockin* .. 5
Samuel Reeves (conductor) .. 2	Arthur Spittle .. 6
William Mickelwright .. 3	Samuel Spittle .. 7
John W. Smith* .. 4	John Smith .. 8

* First peal in the method, also first peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES on the bells.]

The peals recorded on page 448 under this Association were composed by C. Middleton, John Carter, and Thomas Day, respectively.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Mary's, Battle, on April 26th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 11 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

William H. Eldridge .. 1	Frederick Lock .. 5
Walter Franks (conductor) .. 2	Charles Carter .. 6
William Eastland .. 3	William Thomas .. 7
F. A. Kennett .. 4	John Sinden .. 8

At St. Nicholas', Brighton, on April 30th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERERS, 5079 changes, in 3 hrs. 14 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt.

William Palmer .. 1	George A. King .. 6
George Smart .. 2	Thomas Price* .. 7
Frank Bennett .. 3	James N. Frossell .. 8
Edward C. Merritt .. 4	Keith Hart .. 9
John S. Goldsmith .. 5	Richard Stredwick* .. 10

Composed by the late Henry Johnson, conducted by Keith Hart. [* First peal of STEDMAN.]

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At the Parish Church, Great Marlow, Bucks, on April 30th, Carter's Twelve-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 54 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt.

Lewis E. Collins .. 1	Charles Green .. 5
John C. Truss .. 2	Alfred E. Nye .. 6
Francis O. Nicholls .. 3	Walter E. Yates (conductor) .. 7
Joseph S. Hawkins .. 4	Arthur W. Truss .. 8

BRENTWOOD, ESSEX.—On Easter Monday, at St. Thomas's Church, eight members of the Essex Association rang a touch of 1344 SUPER-LATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR. W. Watson, 1; G. R. Pye, 2; A. J. Perkins, 3; E. Pye, 4; W. H. Doran, 5; E. Wightman, 6; J. Dale, 7; W. Pye (conductor), 8. Also two courses (448) at St. Mary's, Chelmsford.

LEYTONSTONE, ESSEX.—On Wednesday, April 27th, at St. John's Church, 720 CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MINOR. H. Gowers, 1; E. Wightman (conductor), 2; W. Miller, 3; A. J. Perkins, 4; J. Mardell, 5; H. Bears, 6.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.—On Sunday, May 1st, at St. Andrew's Church, for Divine service, 720 BOB MINOR (14 bobs, 2 singles) in 30 mins. W. Halls, 1; A. J. Perkins (conductor), 2; G. Dear, 3; G. R. Pye, 4; W. Watson, 5; J. Wale, 6. Also on the Saturday previous, on handbells, 720 in the same method. G. Cox, 1; G. Wear, 2; A. J. Perkins (conductor), 3-4; J. Wale, 5-6.

JERUSALEM.—A contemporary says: 'The ringing of the peal of bells belonging to the new German Protestant Church at Jerusalem on Easter Sunday created quite a sensation in the Holy City, as they are

the first Protestant church bells which have yet been heard there. It seems, however, that the Greek and Latin friars attached to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre were by no means pleased at the favour extended to the Protestants, whose presence in Jerusalem is strongly resented.'

COLERAINE PARISH CHURCH BELL-RINGERS' SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of this Society was held in the rectory on the 14th ult., when there was a full attendance. The Rev. F. Dudley, rector, presided. Mr. James Bishop, secretary, read the annual report, the adoption of which was moved by Mr. Thomas Galbraith, seconded by Mr. W. J. Smith, and adopted. Mr. James Bishop was re-elected secretary; Mr. Max. Given, treasurer; and Messrs. Joseph Irwin and F. Milgum, conductors. Mr. W. J. Smith, churchwarden, conveyed to the members the vote of thanks passed at the general vestry meeting of the congregation for their services during the year. Mr. Joseph Irwin proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing churchwardens for the assistance rendered the members of the Society during the year, which was acknowledged by Mr. M. Given. Some discussion took place with regard to holding a bell-ringers' festival during the summer, the arrangements for which are left in the hands of the Rector. A hearty vote of thanks was passed to the chairman and Mrs. Dudley for having entertained the members during the evening.

THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.—By the kind permission of the Rev. Canon Eyton, a meeting was held at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on April 23rd. Upwards of sixty members and friends from different parts of the county and the metropolis met together, and with the exception of an interval for the business meeting, the bells were kept merrily going in touches of various methods from four to nine o'clock.

BRISTOL.—On April 24th the ceremony of rededicating the bells of the Church of St. Nicholas with St. Leonard, which have been recast and rehung, was conducted by the Lord Bishop of Bristol. In the afternoon there was a special service for bell-ringers, when the Dean of Bristol preached, and at the evening service the pulpit was occupied by the Vicar. The ringers from St. Mary Redcliff rang the dedicatory peal, and also at the conclusion of the services.

ST. MELLION, CORNWALL.—The bells of St. Mellion pealed forth once more on April 14th, when a large congregation came together to witness the dedication of three new bells. The restoration has been a thorough one, including the erection of a new treble to make a peal of six, the recasting of the second and third bells with a considerable addition of metal, the tuning of the three heavier bells, and the rehanging of the whole peal in a new oak frame. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank at a cost of 200l.

STOCKTON.—The new bells which are to increase the peal in the parish church from six to ten, and to form a memento of the Diamond Jubilee of the Queen in the town, are expected to arrive in a short time. The makers are Messrs. Llewellyns & James, of Bristol. The largest weighs approximately 30 cwt., and the augmented peal will form one of the finest in the county. This is the second time that the peal has been increased. The two smallest of the present bells were put in the parish church in 1696, and probably came from the then old chapel, and four more, making the present peal of six, were put in in the reign of Queen Anne. Of the 720l. required, close upon 500l. has been collected, and a renewed effort will shortly be made to secure the balance.

LEINTWARDINE, HEREFORD.—When, last summer, preparations were being made to celebrate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee, the parishioners were strongly in favour of the restoration of the church bells, which had to be taken down as unsafe when the upper portion of the tower was rebuilt. Accordingly a subscription was started for the purpose, and a sufficient sum was raised. The work was intrusted to Mr. Greenleaf, of Hereford. A new solid oak frame has been erected, and the bells have been quarter-turned and furnished with new clappers and fittings of the most improved description; the ringing chamber has also been put in thorough repair, and made in every way fit for its purpose, and on April 13th there was a special reopening service, when the bells were rung by members of the Diocesan Guild of Bell-ringers, among whom was the Master of the Guild, Mr. J. Buchanan. The leader was Mr. Groves, the diocesan instructor. We may add that the peal of six bells was cast by A. Rudhall, in 1755, and the weight of the tenor is given as 13½ cwt.

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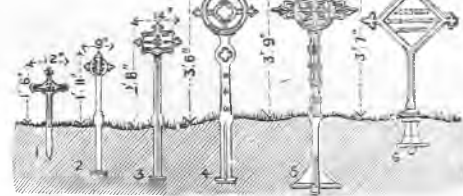
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St. James's Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on May 16th.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on May 20th.—All about 8 p.m.

Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Change-ringers.

A SPECIAL meeting of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Guild of Change-ringers was held at Swindon on Saturday, April 30th. In the afternoon service was held in the parish church, an address being delivered by the Vicar, the Rev. N. E. Howe. The company then adjourned to the 'King's Arms,' where they partook of tea. A business meeting followed, the chair being occupied by the Rev. N. E. Howe, and the vice-chair by Mr. F. E. Ward, of Cheltenham. Mr. C. E. D. Boutflower, of Bristol (hon. secretary), read a communication from the Master (the Rev. E. Bankes James, of Churchdown) resigning his position. The company received Mr. James's letter with regret, and requested him to reconsider his decision. It was decided to hold the next meeting at Thornbury towards the end of July, and the proceedings terminated with a comprehensive vote of thanks. Touches on the church bells were rung during the day.

Rushden Church Bells Unsafe.

WE have been informed by the highest authority that the bells in the Church of St. Mary, Rushden, Northamptonshire, will have to be removed on account of the insecurity of the supports. On April 25th, Mr. John W. Taylor, of the well-known firm of bell-founders at Loughborough, paid a visit to the church, and he has reported to the effect that the bell-frame is much too weak to support and carry the bells, the oscillation when ringing being considerable, and must be, in his opinion, liable to do injury to the masonry of the tower. As the frame was so light, there could be no other remedy than to purchase a new one—presumably an iron one with steel girders—which would cost about 2077. Thus the old frame of 1870 lies condemned, so much so that it will never have a peal rung upon it again without fear of the collapse of something, but the bells may be chimed. At present the church is embarrassed by the debt upon the new church, and, of course, old debts claim prior attention. Will any one, it is asked, emulate Mr. King-smith, who helped the Raunds friends out of a similar difficulty? We are certain that there are a large number of townspeople who would be sorry to miss the usual welcome and merry peal from the bells, be they Churchmen or Nonconformists.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Mary's, Battle, on May 3rd, a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

William H. Eldridge .. 1	Frederick P. Howcroft* .. 5
Walter Franks 2	Charles Carter 6
James Livermore 3	William Thomas 7
Sydney Saker 4	John Sinden 8

Composed by the late William Sottanstell, conducted by Walter Franks. [* First peal in the method.]

At St. Andrew's, Steyning, on May 7th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5152 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins. Tenor, 12 cwt.

Arthur Gatland 1	Frank Bennett 5
John Smart 2	George Gatland 6
Harry Weston 3	John S. Goldsmith .. 7
Frederick P. Howcroft .. 4	George Williams 8

Composed by John Carter, conducted by George Williams. Rung as a birthday compliment to the conductor, who received the hearty congratulations of the band, this being his 350th peal.

The Worcestershire and Districts Association.

At St. Andrew's, Netherton, on May 3rd, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5008 changes, in 2 hrs. 56 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

Harry Price* 1	Adolphus Roberts 5
Albert E. Parsons 2	John W. Smith* 6
William Micklewright .. 3	John Goodman 7
Samuel J. Hughes* 4	John Smith 8

Composed and conducted by William Micklewright. The first peal in the method on the bells. [* First peal of BOB MAJOR.]

ALSO at St. Andrew's, Netherton, on May 9th, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 48 mins.

John W. Smith 1	William Micklewright .. 5
William H. Godden 2	Samuel Spittle 6
William R. Small 3	Samuel Reeves 7
Thomas Horton 4	John Smith 8

Conducted by Samuel Reeves. First peal in this method on the bells. The above Stedman band are all members of the Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford, J. W. Smith being elected a member previous to starting for the peal.

OTTERY ST. MARY, DEVON.—At the Parish Church on April 28th, 504 STEDMAN TRIPLES. The Rev. M. Kelly (conductor), 1; W. H. Godfrey, 2; L. Wilson, 3; S. H. Godfrey, 4; J. H. Godfrey, 5; J. G. Beker, 6; A. E. Pike, 7; J. Lovering, 8. This is the first 500 in this method by an entirely local band.

A CORRESPONDENT of the *Cheltenham Examiner* writes: 'The Cheltenham Society of Change-ringers are badly in want of two more bells to make the present ring of ten into a complete set of twelve. I noticed a few weeks ago some kind friend at Gloucester had given two new bells to make the present ring of ten at St. Michael's Church in that city. May I ask, for the good of our old parish church and for the town of Cheltenham, that some kind friend may come forward and do likewise? The Rector (Rev. E. L. Roxby) has given his consent to the augmentation of the present bells into a ring of twelve.'

UPON the occasion of his seventy-seventh birthday, a few days ago, Mr. J. R. Haworth, the senior member of the Ancient Society of College Youths, paid a visit to the Printers' Almshouses, Wood Green, an institution in which he takes a great interest, and of which he has been for years a generous supporter. Through Mr. W. H. Collingridge, a trustee, Mr. Haworth has just contributed 100 guineas to the Endowment Fund of the almshouses. Mr. Haworth's sympathy arises from the fact that in his early years he was a compositor. It is worthy of note that Mr. Haworth took part in the ringing of the bells at Westminster Abbey on the occasion of the accession of Her Majesty, and that he has similarly officiated at every anniversary celebration since then.

MICHAELSTOW, NEAR PLYMOUTH.—These bells have not been rung in peal for over fifty years. Two were broken, the beams, frames, and floors all rotten. These have been taken out, and new, heavy oak beams frames, and fittings fixed, the old bells recast, and two additional ones hung, making a fine ring in the key of A flat. The work has been carried out by Mr. Aggett, bell-hanger, of Chagford, Devon.

Common Diseases.

1.—ANEMIA.

Anæmia is either a deficiency of red blood corpuscles, or a shrinkage of them due to defective assimilation, or an impaired condition due to disease.

Anæmia is generally to be found in the growing period. Young persons of both sexes suffer more from this disease than when maturity has been reached, although it is sometimes found in persons advanced in years who have neglected the laws of hygiene, or, from the nature of their occupations, are confined to badly-ventilated sleeping and work rooms.

Thus it will be found more prevalent in cities than in the country. Anæmia will be found in young people who have to work in factories, who have to breathe vitiated air, and who neglect, or do not from ignorance supply, the necessary aliment of food and drink to maintain and restore the daily waste of energy necessary to support the labour either of brain or hands.

The natural consequence of neglecting the fundamental laws of health is a visible pallor—a diminution of roundness and firmness in the muscles, and a lassitude and a sinking weariness which unfits the individual to do his or her daily work either of brain or hand.

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The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on May 26th.

[* The meeting at St. Magnus' is at 7.30; all the others about 8 p.m.]

The Central Council.

THE Eighth Annual Meeting of the Central Council of Church Bell-ringers will be held on Whit-Tuesday, May 31st, at St. Mary Redcliffe Parish Hall, Bristol (a few minutes' walk from the Railway Station), at 1.30 o'clock punctually.

The Standing Committee will meet at 11 a.m. in the second-class refreshment-room on the up platform of the railway station, where an apartment will be specially reserved. Arrangements will be made to place bells at the disposal of members after the meeting.

From 9 till 11 p.m. there will be a social gathering of members at St. Stephen's Restaurant, Baldwin Street.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Election of Hon. Members (if desired).
3. To receive the Treasurer's statement.
4. To receive a further Report of the Committee on Railway Fares.

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INTERVIEW

With Mr. W. H. HOOPER, High Street, Barry, Cardiff,
September, 1897.

(This case has not been published before.)

Mr. Hooper is quite an old friend of Mr. Congreve's treatment. He has seen such good results follow its intelligent persevering use within his own family, that he is never tired of recommending it outside, and more than one or two have to thank him for timely advice.

'My daughter,' Mr. Hooper said, 'had bronchitis when eighteen months old. A little later, at two years of age, she had an attack of inflammation of the lungs, and I wrote to Mr. Congreve. Three doctors attended the child, and they agreed that nothing more could be done for her—there was not the slightest chance of her getting better. But within a fortnight of her commencing Mr. Congreve's medicine she began to improve. In four months she was much better. This was in 1894. Since then she has had several slight attacks, but the medicine always pulls her round.'

While we were chatting a young man came into the office, and Mr. Hooper said:—

'Here is another of Mr. Congreve's patients. He was ill when he came to me, and my late partner advised me to send him home. The lad's father had died from chest disease, and he had all the symptoms of Consumption. He was so weak that he had to be carried to bed, and was so terribly nervous and low that he could not sleep by himself. That happened five years ago. He persevered with the medicine for a long time, and has recovered his health. He does his work, and has not lost any time during the last two years.'

Before I left Barry, Mr. Hooper introduced me to a friend of his who had also some knowledge of Mr. Congreve's treatment. What Mr. Kerslake told me will appear on some future occasion.

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5. To receive an interim Report from the Committee on the Glossary of Technical Terms.

6. To receive any further Report on the progress of the Bibliography.

7. To receive an interim Report from the Peal Collection Committee.

8. To call attention to a defect in the Council's definition of True Peals, and, if approved, to rectify the same.

9. To consider, with a view to a decision, the Report of the Peal Values Committee, submitted to the last meeting.

10. To consider with a view to a decision, the Report of the Peal Collection Committee on 'Original Composition' and 'Variation,' submitted to the last meeting.

11. The following subjects will be discussed: (a) The draft of procedure proposed by the Committee appointed to compile a Report on the condition of church bells, &c. (b) The propriety of designating Thurstans' well-known composition in *STEDMAN TRIPLES* as his 'Four-part,' and, in like manner, his other compositions as his 'Five-part' and 'One-part.' (c) The desirability or otherwise of Sunday peal-ringing. (d) How far, and under what conditions, any departure from the true and clear ringing of every change is permissible in the performance of a peal.

H. EARLE BOLWER, *Hon. Sec.*

New Bells at Nutfield, Surrey.

THE inhabitants of this parish decided to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee, among other ways, by renewing the church bells, and on the occasion of the Bishop of Rochester's visit, on May 14th, to consecrate a new burial-ground and chapel, the peal was dedicated. Dr. Talbot was met at the entrance to the ground at 2.30. The petition having been presented by the Chairman of the Burial Board, the churchwardens, choir, clergy, and the Bishop, attended by the apparitor and chaplain, bearing the pastoral staff, and followed by the parishioners, proceeded around the ground, chanting the forty-ninth Psalm. Among the clergy were the Revs. G. Hartwell-Jones (Rector), G. F. Slade (Buckland), S. Hoare (Godstone), J. S. M. Gordon (Redhill), A. Simmonds (Reigate), C. F. Fison (South Nutfield), H. T. Lewis (Horley), R. I. Woodhouse (Merstham), T. P. Brocklehurst (Merstham), A. G. Roberts (Merstham), R. F. Uniacke (Tandridge), W. Davies, Dr. Peray (Redhill), F. C. Butler (Redhill), D. R. Evans (Redhill), C. Gordon Young (Chipstead), A. G. Rogers (Yatton), E. L. Colville (Blechingley), E. Davies, Teignmouth Shore (Chaplain). The picturesqueness of the situation, the brilliant sunshine, and the reverent attitude of the bystanders combined to render the scene solemn and impressive. After this part of the service had been concluded, the Bishop and clergy entered the chapel, when the prayers were read and the deed of consecration was signed by the Bishop. The handsome altar and cross were made out of the old oak that formerly supported the bells, and were presented by Mr. Charlesworth, of Nutfield Court, and the seats are given by Mr. Maw (Holmesdale). Later in the day all reassembled at the church, which stands in one of the most beautiful spots in Surrey, and has had an eventful history. The Bishop was met at the west door by the choir and clergy, and took his seat in the chancel. The sacarium, with its plants and flowers and fine enamelled cross, lent itself to a solemnity of the kind. Evensong was intoned by the Rector, the Rev. G. Hartwell-Jones, and the lessons were read by the Rev. A. Simmonds and the Rev. C. Fison. Afterwards the Bishop and clergy repaired to the belfry, where the Bishop read the special prayers. At their conclusion a short peal was rung, during which the Bishop ascended the pulpit. His Lordship's beautiful sermon was listened to with rapt attention. He then dismissed the congregation with the blessing. Saturday was a red-letter day in the history of the parish, and we hope that the services will further increase the interest in Church work, and will redound to the greater glory of God.

The Bells of St. Peter's, Raunds.

THE following are the inscriptions, diameters and weights of the bells, increased to eight by the addition of two trebles (the gift of J. Kingsmith, Esq.), and the tenor recast, April, 1898. The bells were dedicated and reopened on Easter Monday, 1898.

Treble.—'In mvltis annis resonat campana Johannis Kingsmith ✠ cvm voce ad ecclesiam venite ✠ A.D. MDCCCXVII. J. Taylor me fecit.' (Diam., 30 ins. Weight, 6 cwt. 1 qr. 24 lbs.)

Second.—'In Dei lavdvm et Victoriae Reginae honorem Johannes Kingsmith me dedit ✠ non clamor sed amor cantat in avre Dei ✠ A.D. MDCCCXVII. J. Taylor me fecit.' (Diam., 31 ins. Weight, 7 cwt. 0 qrs. 12 lbs.)

Third.—'Grata sit arguta resonans campanula noce Anno Dom. 1732. (Diam., 34½ ins. Weight, 8 cwt. 1 qr. 7 lbs.)

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 528.)

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Fifth.—'Omnia fiant ad gloriam Dei. Richard Rowlings and John Woodruffe churchwardens. Eayre Kettering 1732.' (Diam., 38½ ins. Weight, 9 cwt. 3 qrs. 1 lb.)

Sixth.—'Gratum opus agricolis. Omnia fiant ad gloriam Dei Anno Domini 1732.' (Diam., 38½ ins. Weight, 9 cwt. 1 qr. 3 lbs.)

Seventh.—'George Tymms Vicar, Richard Rawlings and John Woodruffe Churchwardens, Anno Domini 1732. Recast by John Warner & Son London 1878.' (Diam., 42½ ins. Weight, 12 cwt. 0 qrs. 16 lbs.)

Tenor.—'In Dei gloriam in ecclesiae commodum Johannes Langham Barr Maria Milington et Anna Milington benefactores Anno Dom 1732. J. Taylor me refecit 1898.' (Diam., 50½ ins. Weight, 22 cwt. 0 qrs. 8 lbs.)

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Peter's, Brighton, on May 16th, a peal of WESTMINSTER SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 17 mins. Tenor, 10 cwt.

George Baker	1	George Williams	5
Robert J. Dawe	2	Frank Bennet	6
Keith Hart	3	James W. Frossell	7
George Smart	4	George F. Attree	8

Composed by Henry Dains and conducted by George F. Attree. This is the first peal of WESTMINSTER SURPRISE, and it was rung at the first attempt.

The Lancashire Association.

At St. Luke's, Liverpool, on May 9th, a peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes was rung in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Richard S. Mann	1	William James	5
John Aspinwall	2	James Dillion	6
George Woodhall	3	Thomas Hammond	7
George Fisher	4	James Martin	8

Composed by J. L. Brierly, of Saddleworth, Yorkshire, and conducted by James Martin. The first peal of OXFORD by the band, and the only peal rung in Liverpool for many years.

King's Norton, Worcestershire.

On Saturday, April 30th, at the Parish Church, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt. 1 qr. 18 lbs., in E.

W. H. Sumner	1	Richard Hackley	5
W. G. Ellis	2	H. Middleton	6
Joseph Porter	3	Albert Hackley	7
Frederick Clayton	4	William S. Pritchett	8

Composed by John Carter and conducted by William S. Pritchett.

GREENWICH.—At St. Alfege's, on May 11th, by the Ancient Society of College Youths, in honour of the annual Visitation of the Ven. the Archdeacon of Canterbury, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 47 mins. I. G. Shade (composer and conductor), 1; W. Foreman, 2; J. Waghorn, jun., 3; H. Hoskins, 4; W. Berry, 5; F. W. Thornton, 6; H. Flanders, 7; C. Withecombe, 8.

KENSINGTON.—At St. Mary Abbot's, on May 15th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 1259 changes. G. Brush, 1; W. E. Judd, 2; H. G. Miles (first quarter-peal), 3; R. A. Daniell, 4; A. E. Bradley, 5; A. F. Harris, 6; H. Powell, 7; W. Fox, 8; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 9; J. Judd, 10.

THE deficit on the East Teignmouth, Devon, bells and chimes fund now amounts to 657.

LIVERPOOL DIOCESAN GUILD OF CHANGE-RINGERS.—The annual meeting of this Guild was held at Sefton. The occasion was a special one, for the bells had been rehung at a cost of 120*l.*, and the Guild meeting was also an opening festival. Representatives from the following bellfries assembled:—Aughton, Bootle, Crosby, Crossens, Ormskirk, Sefton, and Tuebrook. The bells were found in splendid

going order. There are six bells, two of which are of the date of 1815. The other four are older, and bear inscriptions in ornamental characters. After a number of touches had been rung on the bells, Divine service was held, prayers being read by the Rev. G. W. Wall, and the lesson by the Rev. W. T. Bulpit. The address was also given by the latter gentleman, who is the active spirit of the Guild.

SOCIETY OF FRAMLAND RINGERS' ANNUAL FESTIVAL.—The twenty-third annual meeting of the Society of Framland Ringers was held at the village of Croxton Kerriel. The meeting beat all records, in more senses than one. There was so large a muster of members that the bells of the ancient Parish Church were merrily ringing from early morn until dusk; and there was a distinct improvement in the quality of the work done by the various teams. The Society is managed by the Rev. C. H. Lacon, rector of Branstone, who is not only secretary, but chairman, committee, and everything else concentrated in one person. Consequently, there is but one policy, one aim, one object. An enthusiastic ringer himself, Mr. Lacon has been able to infuse some of his own spirit into the members of the Society, and the friendly rivalry promises well for the future. The great feature of the past year's work is that each team has been, or is to be, under a first-class instructor in change-ringing. Scientific methods, and the almost endless possibilities of change-ringing, have naturally given everybody who handles the bell-ropes a fresh interest in the work. That this interest may be deepened and intensified, and not merely transitory, is much to be wished. The following teams were represented at the festival:—Croxton Kerriel, Eaton, Waltham, Buckminster, Harby, Wymondham, Long Clawson, Bottesford, Melton Mowbray, and Barkestone. Each had its turn in the belfry, and one or two brought their handbells, and gave a display of their efficiency with these instruments. At 3 p.m. evensong was held at St. John's Church. The clergy were the Revs. Lord Theobald Butler, Canon Warner (Stoke Rochford), T. Rivington (Eaton), and Astley Cooper (Buckminster). The Rev. C. H. Lacon officiated ably at the organ, and the Revs. F. W. Knox (Belvoir) and R. H. Bagnall (Barkestone) were in the congregation. The Rev. Canon Warner preached an appropriate sermon.

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2.—THE LUNGS.

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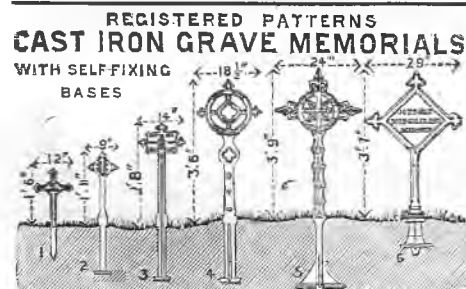
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Waterloo Society: at John's, Waterloo Road, on June 1st; St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, June 2nd.

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St. James' Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on May 30th.

Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on June 3rd.—All about 8 p.m.

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

ANNUAL Meeting at Northampton, on Whit Monday. Divine service at St. Peter's Church at 1 o'clock; luncheon and business meeting at the 'Peacock Hotel' afterwards—usual arrangements. The privilege of the use of the bells of the churches of All Saints, St. Giles, St. Peter, and St. Edmund has once more most kindly been allowed to our members and their friends.

E. J. DENNES, *Hon. Sec.*

Wellingborough.

The Kent County Association.

THE annual meeting will be held on Whitsun Monday, May 30th, at Lewisham. Service at St. Mary's, Lewisham, at 11.30 a.m. The address will be given by the Rev. S. Bickersteth, vicar of Lewisham. Dinner at the Parish Hall at 12.30. Business meeting, for election of officers, &c., after dinner. The Committee will meet in the vestry at 11 a.m. The Peal-book will be on view in the vestry. For dinner tickets apply to the Hon. Secretary.

Towers open for ringing: St. Mary's, Lewisham (8); St. John's, Deptford (8); St. Mary's, Woolwich (8); St. Alphege, Greenwich (10), after dinner; and St. Margaret's, Lee (8), from 2.45 to 4.45 p.m. only.

FRED. J. O. HELMORE, *Hon. Secretary.*

The Central Council.

THE Eighth Annual Meeting of the Central Council of Church Bell-ringers will be held on Whit-Tuesday, May 31st, at St. Mary Redcliffe Parish Hall, Bristol (a few minutes' walk from the Railway Station), at 1.30 o'clock punctually.

The Standing Committee will meet at 11 a.m. in the second-class refreshment-room on the up platform of the railway station, where an apartment will be specially reserved. Arrangements will be made to place bells at the disposal of members after the meeting.

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PERSONAL CONSULTATIONS on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings from 10.30 to 12.45; except during the month of August, when no consultations will be given.

From 9 till 11 p.m. there will be a social gathering of members at St. Stephen's Restaurant, Baldwin Street.

AGENDA.

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Election of Hon. Members (if desired).
3. To receive the Treasurer's statement.
4. To receive a further Report of the Committee on Railway Fares.
5. To receive an interim Report from the Committee on the Glossary of Technical Terms.
6. To receive any further Report on the progress of the Bibliography.
7. To receive an interim Report from the Peal Collection Committee.
8. To call attention to a defect in the Council's definition of True Peals, and, if approved, to rectify the same.
9. To consider, with a view to a decision, the Report of the Peal Values Committee, submitted to the last meeting.
10. To consider with a view to a decision, the Report of the Peal Collection Committee on 'Original Composition' and 'Variation,' submitted to the last meeting.
11. The following subjects will be discussed: (a) The draft of procedure proposed by the Committee appointed to compile a Report on the condition of church bells, &c. (b) The propriety of designating Thurstan's well-known composition in STEDMAN TRIPLES as his 'Four-part,' and, in like manner, his other compositions as his 'Five-part' and 'One-part.' (c) The desirability or otherwise of Sunday peal-ringing. (d) How far, and under what conditions, any departure from the true and clear ringing of every change is permissible in the performance of a peal.

H. EARLE BCLWER, *Hon. Sec.*

SCHEDULE OF POINTS, AS RECKONED IN COMPILING MR. ATTREE'S ANALYSIS OF PEALS.

All Plain Methods.—Triples 7, Major 8, Caters 9, Royal 10, Cinques 11, Maximus 12 points.

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Alliance.—Major 10, Royal 12, Maximus 14 points.

Treble Bob Methods.—Major 12, Royal 14, Maximus 16 points.

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Peals on Six Bells.—In one plain method 3, in two plain methods 4, in three plain methods 5, in four plain methods 6, in five plain methods 7, in six plain methods 8, in seven plain methods 9. In seven double methods 15. In seven Treble Bob methods 15. In seven Surprise methods, 25 points.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Worcestershire Association.

AT St. Andrew's, Netherton, on May 14th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 13 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

John W. Smith	1	William H. Smith	5
Albert E. Parsons	2	Thomas J. Salter	6
Ernest C. Hunt	3	Adolphus Roberts	7
Noah Davies	4	Richard E. Grove	8

Composed by Charles Middleton, conducted by Richard E. Grove.

The Sussex County Association.

AT St. Peter's, Henfield, on May 17th, Thurstan's One-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 1 min. Tenor, 15½ cwt.

Charles Tyler (conductor)	1	Lazarus Payne	5
Samuel Burt	2	George Payne	6
William John Alliss	3	Alfred W. Groves	7
Henry Stringer	4	Arthur Hodges	8

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

AT St. Michael and All Angels', Hughenden, Bucks, on May 20th, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

Harry Stratford	1	Ralph H. Biggs	5
Frederick G. Biggs	2	Frank Boreham*	6
John C. Truss	3	Rev. F. E. Robinson	7
Frank K. Biggs	4	John Evans	8

Composed by J. W. Washbrook, conducted by John Evans. First peal in the method.]

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 556.)

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. John's, Wilton Road, Pimlico, on May 16th, Holt's Ten-part peal of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 40 mins. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

Henry R. Newton .. 1	George R. Fardon .. 5
William E. Moss .. 2	Henry S. Ellis .. 6
Francis E. Dawe (condr.) 3	John N. Oxborrow .. 7
Arthur G. Ellis .. 4	Charles T. P. Brice .. 8

This peal was rung to commemorate the 'Golden Wedding' of Mrs. Dawe's father and mother.

The Lancashire Association and the Ashton-under-Lyne Society.

At Manchester Cathedral, on May 16th, a peal of **OXFORD TREBLE BOB ROYAL**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 23 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

John Eachus .. 1	Samuel Greenhalgh .. 6
John Smith .. 2	Harry Chapman .. 7
George E. Turner .. 3	Richard Ridyard .. 8
Walter Brown .. 4	Frank Hyde .. 9
Alfred Cross .. 5	Samuel Wood .. 10

Composed and conducted by Samuel Wood.

The Hertfordshire Association (Bushey Society).

At St. Michael's, St. Albans, Herts, on May 21st, a peal of **MINOR**, being 720 each of **OXFORD BOB**, **COLLEGE SINGLE**, **OXFORD** and **KENT TREBLE BOB**, **CANTERBURY PLEASURE**, **PLAIN BOB** and **GRANDSIRE**, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 13 cwt.

George W. Cartmel .. 1	Charles R. Lilley .. 4
William G. Whitehead .. 2	W. H. L. Buckingham* .. 5
Charles George .. 3	Ernest E. Huntley .. 6

First peal on the bells, which have lately been rehung by Messrs. J. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough. [* Conductor.]

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.—On Sunday evening, May 15th, for service. 720 **WOODBINE TREBLE BOB**, being the first in the method on the bells, I. Dear,* 1; A. J. Perkins,* 2; G. Pye, 3; W. Pye, 4; E. Pye, 5; J. Dale* (conductor), 6. Also after service, 720 **DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR**, W. Halls, 1; A. J. Perkins (conductor), 2; W. Pye, 3; G. Pye, 4; J. Dale, 5; E. Pye, 6. [* First 720 in this method.]

WELLINGBOROUGH.—For Divine service on Sunday evening, May 22nd, by the Parish Church ringers (with the bells half-muffled in respect to the memory of William Ewart Gladstone), 504 **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, conducted by W. H. Ette, and 168 in the same method, conducted by W. Wood. E. J. Dennes, 1; G. Turnell, 2; W. Wood, 3; F. Underwood, 4; F. Wood, 5; E. West, 6; W. H. Ette, 7; T. Craddock, 8.

THRAPSTON, NORTHANTS.—The seventeenth annual meeting of the Higham Ferrers Second Deanery Association of Church Bell-ringers was held on Monday, May 9th, at Thrapston. This enterprising little town celebrated the Jubilee by replacing its poor and untunable ring of small bells by eight noble bells—quite the best, for their weight, which have been sent out from Messrs. Taylor's foundry. These bells have had the further advantage of being tuned by the new process by which they have been made accurately in tune. Members from Aldwinckle, Tichmarsh, Islip, Lowick, and the local band sat down to dinner, about thirty in number. At the service a most helpful sermon to ringers, as

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Church workers, was preached by the Rev. F. G. Hodgson, rector of Aldwinckle. The accounts, with an hon. member's subscription paid after the meeting, showed a small balance on the right side.

THE *Darlington Echo* of May 17th, says: 'It is something of a coincidence that at both Stockton and Thornaby the Diamond Jubilee will be commemorated by the erection of new peals of bells. With regard to the increase of the peal in the Stockton Parish Church from six to ten, at a cost of 720l., it had been hoped that these would have been delivered by the 24th inst., the date of the Queen's birthday. At the Thornaby Parish Church, where Mr. and Mrs. T. Wrightson are presenting a peal of bells at a cost of about 300l., the tower for the housing of these has just been completed at a cost of about 1800l. It is, however, understood that the order for the bells will not be given until the Stockton bells are received, when, if they are satisfactory, it will be given to their makers, Messrs. Llewellyns & James, of Bristol.

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Common Diseases.

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From the office of the *Studio* we have received two parts, entitled, *A RECORD OF ART IN 1898*. The 'Paris Salons' number contains a very fine selection of the most remarkable of the works exhibited this year in Paris, beautifully reproduced, with an auto-lithographic supplement by Fantin-Latour, and the part dealing with the British section gives excellent illustrations of work exhibited chiefly at the Royal Academy and the New Gallery. They are both veritable art volumes, and are produced at the wonderfully low price of a shilling each.

THE *LADY'S REALM* has a variety of good reading. The 'Queen's Mother,' by Sarah A. Tooley, gives many anecdotes and portraits connected with Her Majesty's early life. Eastland Scott writes of the 'Scottish Royal Chaplains,' illustrated by portraits. Mrs. Aubrey Richardson contributes the second of a series of articles on 'Famous Ladies of the English Court,' describing the Lady Anne Clifford, countess of Pembroke, while Gran Cooke gives a pleasing illustrated sketch of Lady Butler, the famous artist. Lady Llangattock writes on 'Why Women should Support the Primrose League.' Fiction is strongly represented in 'A Cabman's Whistle,' by E. L. Prescott; 'Queen Pippa's Whim,' by Jane Barlow; the 'Doctor's Secret,' by Lucas Cleeve; 'Some People have Luck,' by F. C. Phillips; and the continuation of Miss Braddon's serial, 'In High Places.'

CASSELL'S MAGAZINE.—This number is the first of a new volume, and in it there is, as usual, a great variety of reading. One article is devoted to flying machines and their probable future utilisation, another gives a thrilling description of bull-fighting in Mexico, and a third tells us about 'Mutinies at Sea,' and in fiction there are contributions from the pens of E. W. Hornung, Joseph Hocking, and Bret Harte.

THE *GIRL'S OWN PAPER* contains the first of a series of articles on the 'Glorified Workman's Dwelling,' the object of the writer being to show what taste and a very little money will accomplish in the way of making home not only homelike, but refined.

LITTLE FOLKS is exceeding varied and interesting, and is as sure to please as any of its predecessors. Small wonder that the little folk, aye, and often their elders, look for the coming of the magazine so eagerly.

THE *FIRESIDE*.—The Bishop of Ballarat's verses, 'The Vision of God,' are a notable feature in the current number. Other interesting reading will be found in the articles entitled 'Sunday Readings,' 'The Royal Throne,' and 'The Relations of some Famous Men.'

We have received from the office of the *Times* a specimen part, containing a few of the illustrations and articles of the *Encyclopædia Britannica*, which our contemporary is offering to the public at an extraordinary reduction in price. The publishers' catalogue price was 37l., but the *Times* is now in a position to accept advance subscriptions for the new edition at prices, and upon conditions, which will place a number of early copies within the reach of those who enrol their names before the date of publication. There is no need for us to enlarge upon the merits of this monumental work, which has already gone through eight editions in the hands of Messrs. Adam and Charles Black.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day (June 3rd).

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on June 8th; St. John-the-Divine, Kennington, on June 9th.

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on June 7th; St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on June 8th; St. Magnus', London Bridge,* on June 9th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on June 10th.

The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on June 9th.

[* The meeting at St. Magnus' is at 7.30; all the others about 8 p.m.]

The Central Council Meeting.

THE eighth annual meeting of the Central Council was held at Bristol on May 31st, Sir Arthur Percival Heywood, Bart., presiding. Representatives to the number of fifty attended at the St. Mary Redcliff Parish Room. The minutes of the last meeting and several letters of apology for absence having been read by the Hon. Secretary, the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, the agenda was discussed in the order given in last week's issue of *Church Bells*. Mr. Thornton proposed, and Mr. Attree seconded, that the hon. members as before chosen be re-elected. The Hon. Secretary read the statement of accounts, which shows a balance in hand of 59l. 13s. This was accepted as read.

The Rev. H. A. Cockey reported that nothing definite had been decided about cheap railway fares for ringers, and suggested that a petition containing ringers' signatures be drawn up by secretaries of societies and sent to the directors of railways of their various districts. Mr. G. F. Attree proposed, and Mr. R. F. Storey seconded, that this suggestion be adopted.

Mr. Attree also proposed, and Mr. Storey seconded, that papers be prepared by the Hon. Secretary to be forwarded to secretaries of societies for signatures.

The Hon. Secretary read a letter from Mr. Strange stating that little progress had been made in the compilation of the Bibliography, and regretting that he had such a little time for the continuation of the work. The Rev. F. E. Robinson proposed, and Mr. G. Williams seconded, that Mr. Strange be asked to kindly forward the collection of such matter as he has already in hand.

The Hon. Secretary read a report from the Peal Committee stating that work had been carefully done in the collection of compositions in various methods, and the Rev. C. D. P. Davies moved that, as an instruction to the Committee, the collection include peals of 5000 and upwards; Mr. Craven seconded. The report of the Peal Collection Committee was adopted.

The President moved, and Mr. Courtenay seconded, the adoption of the Report of the Committee appointed to compile a Report on the Condition of Church Bells. Mr. Rees suggested that amongst historic

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rings should be mentioned those of Norwich Cathedral. The Rev. C. D. P. Davies suggested those of St. Mary the Virgin, Oxford. The Rev. E. Banks James suggested St. Benet's, Cambridge.

The President proposed that Thurstans' compositions be known as One-part, Four-part, and Five-part peals. The Rev. C. D. P. Davies seconded.

The Rev. H. J. Elsee moved that in the opinion of the Council peal-ringing on Sundays is not to be encouraged, unless in exceptional cases, when a service in church is to be held in connexion with some special event, which might be celebrated on a Sunday. Mr. Phillott seconded. Mr. Attree suggested that no hard-and-fast rule be made in this matter. The Rev. H. A. Cockey mentioned that he thought more good might be done than harm in ringing peals on Sundays, but that permission for use of bells should be left in the hands of the clergyman. It was adopted that this matter be not now discussed.

The Rev. F. E. Robinson gave his experience as to the improvements in peal-ringing during his forty years' career. In regard to true peals Mr. Robinson suggested that in peals of TRIPLES, if bells changed course, and the conductor did not correct them before those bells left their dodging position, the peal should not be completed.

The Hon. Secretary read a report stating that good progress had been made on the Glossary of Technical Terms, and it was resolved that the Committee be instructed to spend any necessary sum on the publication of this Glossary.

Mr. G. F. Attree moved the adoption of his Scale of Points. The Rev. G. F. Coleridge seconded. Mr. Armiger Trollope suggested that more points should be given to DOUBLE NORWICH ROYAL and MAXIMUS. Mr. Cockerill suggested that the points for SUPERLATIVE CAMBRIDGE and LONDON be rearranged. Mr. Wakley also spoke in similar terms, and proposed as an amendment that thirty points each be given to SUPERLATIVE, CAMBRIDGE, and NEW CUMBERLAND. Mr. Cockerill seconded. Mr. Snowdon proposed that the Committee reconsider the matter of points for peals on heavy bells, that is with tenors of more than 30 cwt. Mr. O'Meara seconded.—Carried.

Mr. Cockerill suggested that (if a peal be rung under two or more Societies) points be given to all Societies mentioned; but the Hon. Secretary stated that this had been settled at Oxford in 1893, when it was decided that points should only be given to the first Society mentioned.

Mr. Attree proposed, and Mr. Williams seconded, that GLOUCESTER, WESTMINSTER, NORFOLK, and OXFORD SURPRISE also count thirty points, which was carried.

Mr. Attree proposed that points for CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE ROYAL be reduced proportionally with MAJOR. The Rev. E. Banks James proposed as an amendment, and Mr. Ward seconded, that it still retain the same value—fifty points.

The Report, subject to the various amendments carried, was then adopted.

Mr. Snowdon, Mr. Trollope, Mr. J. W. Taylor, the Rev. E. Banks James, and Mr. Attree spoke on this point, suggesting that the truth of peal-ringing be left to the honesty of conductors and bands of ringers. The President gave amusing incidents of conductors miscalling, and said that it was such a very wide question that time did not permit for its full discussion, and that it should be brought forward next year.

Mr. Thornton proposed and Mr. Wakley seconded that the next meeting be held at Norwich: the Rev. F. E. Robinson proposed and the Rev. W. Baker seconded Cambridge. On being put to the vote, Norwich had a large majority. The Rev. F. E. Robinson proposed and Mr. R. J. Rees seconded a vote of sincere thanks to the President and Honorary Secretary for so ably conducting the Council's business.

The Sussex County Association: Eastern Division.

ONE of the most successful meetings of this division was held at East Hoathley on Saturday, May 21st. The reception given to the visitors was a hearty one; a sumptuous tea was provided by the Rector, and the weather was all that could be desired. East Hoathley being somewhat awkwardly situated for the members to get to, the nearest railway station, at which only a very few trains per day stop, being $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles distant, arrangements were made for cycling parties to start from three different points in the district, and a trap for the non-cyclists from the station was considered the most convenient to the majority, with the result that the number attending was very satisfactory indeed. In addition to the above arrangements the Master of the Association, G. F. Attree, Esq., came by motor car from Brighton, a distance of some 15 miles, bringing with him our most popular Hon. Sec. (Rev. J. W. G. Loder Cother) and a few members of the Brighton contingent, and the result was that twenty-seven sat down to tea, including the Rev. P. S. Berry and Mr. Thorpe from Rye; the Rev. G. S. Wilson presiding in the unavoidable absence of the Rector.

The towers represented were:—St. Peter's and St. Nicholas', Brighton; St. Clement's and Blacklands, Hastings; St. Mary's, Rye; Christ Church, Eastbourne; St. Mary-the-Virgin, Ringmer; and East Hoathley. Captain H. T. Clements, churchwarden of East Hoathley was also present, and took great pains to secure the enjoyment and comfort of all.

The usual business meeting followed the tea, and after the minutes of the previous meeting had been read and confirmed, Mr. G. H. Head, who has recently come to Eastbourne from Tunbridge Wells, was elected a member of the Association.

The local Hon. Sec. proposed a vote of thanks to the Rector for the reception accorded the Association and the excellent repast provided, and referred to the great assistance and encouragement such a welcome afforded the officials and members of the Association. The Master seconded the proposition, and in the course of his usual humorous remarks suggested the completion of the octave, stating that in his opinion the music of six bells as compared with eight resembled the difference between a barrel organ and the band of the Coldstream Guards. The Rev. G. S. Wilson responded on behalf of the Rector, expressing great pleasure at being privileged to meet such a band of Church workers. In his opinion no church was complete without its peal of bells. He was a subscriber to *Church Bells*, and he always admired their motto, 'Ring out the false, ring in the true,' and he hoped the ringers present would always be actuated by similar principles.

The Rev. Loder Cother followed with a vote of thanks to Captain Clements for the great interest he took in everything connected with the church and ringers, referring to the great help he had rendered in adding to the completion and adornment of the church, and in connexion with the splendid schools erected near the church, and also to the great assistance it was to the clergy when they had such a gentleman as Captain Clements for churchwarden.—Captain Clements, in a very able speech, returned thanks for the many kind things said of him and expressed the great pleasure it gave him to meet such a happy gathering. He considered such meetings were a great benefit to all concerned, and afforded such an excellent opportunity for exchanging views and obtaining valuable hints.

The bells are a fair peal of six, in good going order, and good use was made of them during the afternoon and evening in GRANDSIRE and STEPMAN DOUBLES, PLAIN and TREBLE BOB MINOR, including 720 KENT by G. F. Attree, Esq., Messrs. Frossell, Hart, Saker, Head, and Howse.

The Towcester and District Bell-ringers' Association.

THE annual festival of the Towcester and District Association was held on Thursday, May 12th. At the kind invitation of the Rev.

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CONSUMPTION AND OTHER DISEASES OF THE LUNGS.

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INTERVIEW

With Mr. W. KERSLAKE, High Street, Barry, Cardiff,
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(This case has not been published before.)

I have to thank Mr. W. H. Hooper (an interview with whom appeared in this and other journals a fortnight ago) for an introduction to Mr. Kerslake. And in his turn Mr. Kerslake has to thank Mr. Hooper for saving his boy's life. When he appeared to be in extremis Mr. Hooper called to see him at the request of his parents, and to that fact he owes his recovery.

'My son's illness was Consumption,' Mr. Kerslake told me. 'He had wasted almost to a skeleton, had a severe cough and bad night-sweats. The doctor who attended him gave us no hope of his recovery: said he couldn't get better. Mr. Hooper came to see him one evening at my request, and gave him a dose of Mr. Congreve's medicine, besides rubbing him with the liniment. The doctor returned an hour afterwards, and, although he had called every day, he did not come at all the day following. The next time he came he was very much surprised at the change in the boy, and told us to 'continue the medicine'—he had no idea what medicine we were giving him. From that time he began to mend rapidly; in a fortnight he was out of bed, and in a little while he was able to get about and to go back to school. My own opinion is that the medicine saved his life. When Mr. Hooper gave him the first dose we were expecting his death at any moment.'

Mr. Kerslake showed his gratitude by the ready way in which he gave me these facts, together with his permission to publish them.

MR. G. T. CONGREVE'S Son-in-law, MR. J. ALEXANDER BROWN, who for twenty years has been his Medical Assistant, will continue to act for him in all professional and business matters. Letters should be addressed G. T. CONGREVE, Coombe Lodge, Peckham, London, S.E., as usual.

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Archibald Wake, the festival was this year celebrated at Courteenhall, the picturesque surroundings of the ancient Parish Church of that village being the venue of one of the most successful gatherings promoted by the Association. The proceedings commenced with morning service in the church, at which there was a large congregation. The clergy present were the Rev. Canon Bury (Harleston), the Rev. A. J. Wake (Courteenhall), the Rev. W. H. Deane, secretary of the Association (Towcester), the Rev. W. H. Chapman (Eydon), the Rev. H. T. Barry (Blisworth), the Rev. A. W. Gross (Milton), the Rev. W. S. Pratt (Collingtree), the Rev. W. S. Andrews (Wicken), the Rev. A. B. Polwhele (Quinton), the Rev. H. B. Smith-Heriz (Bradden), and the Rev. L. Thornton (Shutlanger). The belfries represented were Towcester, Eydon, Wicken, Whittlebury, Stoke Bruerne, Pattishall, Paulerspury, Moreton Pinkney, Greensnorton, Gayton, Easton Neston-Courteenhall, Blisworth, Blakesley, Bradden, and Collingtree. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. Wake, and the lessons were read by the Rev. W. H. Deane. The Rev. Canon Bury preached an appropriate sermon from Ps. xix. 3. He said there was no event of human interest, however it might speak to them, in which the voice of bells did not mingle. The very bells that were rung in their country parishes, how they greeted every event of national importance! They were rung at the birth of their princes, at the coronation of their kings and queens, they had rung for the country's successes by land and sea. On the other hand they had called people together for prayer, they had rung at village feasts, at harvest homes, at holidays, and as alarms at times of fire. Did they not mark almost an epoch, so to speak, of almost every new life—might they not say the sound of the bells accompanied a man from his cradle to his grave? There was the birth bell, the baptismal bell, and the old custom in many country villages of ringing when a man finished his apprenticeship; at other times they rang out in case of fire and flood to warn the people of danger. Then also they had remembrance of the custom of the banns bell, followed by the wedding bell, and further on in life there was the sad and solemn sound of the passing bell; then the death bell and the funeral bell, and beyond that did they not remember that noble allegory of Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress*, in which the writer, himself a ringer of bells, told them that when Faithful and Christian had crossed the river of Death, the bells were rung out again for joy? If they could only speak in words that could be understood, how their country bells could tell a wonderful tale. It was their duty as ringers to continue, as it were, those beautiful associations and that wonderful history. That brought him to say a word, not merely about bells, but to those human agents through whom they spoke in their wonderful way, and who produced those beautiful sounds that made so much of the joyousness of life in their country parishes on festival occasions. The ringers' work was rightly considered a very important work, a work of dignity and of great sacredness. Then again he thought it was a work which should be done as a labour of love. He did not mean that ringers should not be paid for their work, but that should not ring with the sole desire of getting something by it; there must be an inspiring motive—it must be done for the glory of God. If their lives were worth living, they must be to God's glory, they must be inspired with some motive of that kind. If they made that the motive of their bell-ringing, depend upon it the work would be a good work, and would cure them of small faults, small jealousies, and selfishness. It would promote goodwill and good work, and tend to promote God's glory.

After recreation on the Rectory grounds, a cold collation was provided for the guests at the Grammar School, upwards of 150 persons partaking. The Rev. A. J. Wake presided, in the absence of the President (the Rev. R. A. Kennaway), who, with the Vice-Presidents (the Rev. R. T. White and the Rev. J. B. Harrison) wrote regretting their inability to be present. After the patriotic toasts had been loyally honoured, the Chairman proposed the health of 'The Clergy,' coupled with the name of Canon Bury. He was sure they had all derived much profit from the sermon preached by the Canon, who had shown them that he had the subject of bell-ringing at his finger-ends. In submitting the toast of the day, 'The Association,' Canon Bury congratulated the members upon the progress they had made during the five years of their existence. He very much regretted that Mr. Black (the founder of the Association) was unable to be present, and observed that the Association did its founder very great credit. In responding to the toast, Mr. Deane said the Association had been formed four years, and the meeting that day was the most successful they had ever had. The membership had increased from twenty-one (honorary) and sixty-six (ringing) in the first year to thirty-three (honorary) and ninety-two (ringing) to-day. He hoped that one of the best gatherings of the year would result in the gap that unfortunately existed in the different classes of Society being bridged over. The parsons recognised the ringers as fellow-workers in the ministry of the Church, and realised that their position was a very

important element in the service of the Church. Mr. Deane mentioned that the present balance in hand was 8*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*, and advocated the provision of a capable instructor in bell-ringing for the Association. The Rev. W. H. Deane proposed 'Our entertainers,' coupling with it the names of Sir Hereward and Lady Wake, and Mr. W. T. Haskins: response being made by the Chairman (who apologised for the absence of his brother) and Mr. Haskins. 'The Officers of the Association' were toasted by the Rev. H. T. Barry, and the compliment was acknowledged by the Rev. W. H. Deane (Secretary) and Mr. R. Gudgeon (Treasurer). A short business meeting followed, at which the officers of the Association were re-elected *en bloc* on the proposition of Mr. H. Tite, seconded by Mr. Chapman, and it was decided to hold the festival next year at Blisworth. The Milton ringers were admitted new members. Subsequently, though the kindness of Sir Hereward and Lady Wake, the visitors were permitted to stroll round the gardens of the Hall, and later to partake of tea in the Grammar School.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Southover, Lewes, on May 24th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5083 changes, in 3 hrs. 8 mins. Tenor, 17 cwt. 3 qrs. 27 lbs.

George Williams	1	Alfred J. Turner	6
Robert J. Dawe	2	George A. King	7
Frank Bennett	3	John S. Goldsmith	8
William Pelling	4	Keith Hart	9

Composed by Henry Dains, conducted by George Williams.

The Midland Counties' Association.

At St. Mary's, Melton Mowbray, on May 28th, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 changes, in 3 hrs. 32 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

James Jarvis	1	Joseph S. Needham	6
Josiah Morris	2	John Buttery	7
John O. Lancashire	3	William A. Inglessant	8
George Burrows	4	James George	9
William Willson	5	Henry King	10

Composed by James George and conducted by William Willson. This peal contains the 6th, its extent wrong and right, and is the first peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS on the bells. It was rung with the bells half-muffled, to the memory of the late Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At St. Michael's, Hughenden, Bucks, on May 31st, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 2 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt. in G.

William Truss	1	Frank K. Biggs	6
Thomas H. Taffender	2	Sydney Goodchild	7
George Martin	3	Frank Boreham	8
William H. Fussell	4	John Evans	9

Composed by J. W. Washbrook, and conducted by John Evans.

ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.—On May 28th, eight members of St. George's Society of Change-ringers rang a funeral peal with the bells half-muffled (whole-pull-and-stand) as a last mark of respect to the late Mr. Gladstone. W. H. Smith, 1; G. Woodage, 2; W. T. Butler, 3; C. H. Deer, 4; W. Cobbett, 5; F. Clements, 6; W. T. Humbertson, 7; W. T. Walden, 8. Conducted by G. Woodage. The large bell was tolled at the time of the funeral.

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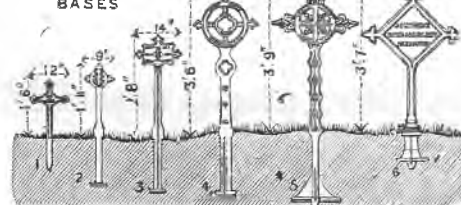
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THE STRAND MAGAZINE is described as, and is, a 'Grand Summer Double Number.' It is a library rather than a magazine, for it contains upwards of 200 pages, 255 illustrations, and no fewer than twenty-six contributions. Dr. Conan Doyle has the place of honour for the first of what promises to be a really good series of stories, 'Round the Fire,' and the subject of the usual illustrated interview is the famous artist, Jan van Beers. Grant Allen's fourth adventure of Miss Cayley is capital reading, and the last villainy of the Brotherhood of the Seven Kings appears rather to be an act of simple, petty malignity, than the outcome of a criminal design on a great scale. Of the articles, 'The Queen as a Mountaineer,' 'A Submarine Boat,' 'What makes a Cricket-ball Curl in the Air?' and the 'Postmen of the World,' are all excellent and useful reading. There is literally 'heaps of amusement' for the holidays in this number.

THE WINDSOR MAGAZINE for June contains a very fine poem by Rudyard Kipling, entitled 'The Destroyers.' There is a line in it which is almost prophetic, seeing that it was written months before the destruction of the *Maine*. Here is the verse:—

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Lieutenant Johansen, of the *Fram*, gives a striking account of the expedition to the North Pole, which is illustrated with many fine photographic illustrations. The article on 'London's Water Supply' is well written, and affords a vast amount of information on a subject of immense importance. Guy Boothby commences a new story, and the number is altogether very good.

THE STUDIO has four supplements: an auto-lithograph in four colours, entitled 'L'Implosion,' by Bellery-Desfontaines; a reproduction in colours of a painting on silk by Charles Conder; and two reproductions in colours of drawings by the late Aubrey Beardsley, of whom Mr. Gleeson White contributes an In Memoriam sketch. Mr. A. L. Baldry describes Henry Moore's animal studies, which are charmingly drawn, as will be seen by the eleven illustrations of his work. Gabriel Mourey tells of 'The Work of Auguste Rodin,' and D. S. MacColl writes of the paintings on silk by Charles Conder. Among the other contents are 'Cliff Towers,' by C. Harrison Townsend, and 'Some American Artists in Paris,' by Frances Keyzer, both fully illustrated. This magazine well maintains its high reputation as a beautifully printed and leading Art magazine.

KNOWLEDGE has an illustrated account of the Mourne Mountains, in County Down, Ireland; a description of the Petroleum Industry; 'The Vinegar Fly and the Vinegar Mite' (illustrated); 'The Prismatic Camera at the Recent Eclipse,' and several other instructive papers.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

The Hertfordshire Association.

A DISTRICT MEETING will be held at Aldenham on Saturday June 25th. Further particulars next week.

E. P. DEBENHAM, *Hon. Secretary.*

The Kent County Association.

THE nineteenth annual general meeting of this Association was held on Whitsun Monday, May 30th, at Lewisham. After the record meeting last year at Canterbury, the attendance of members must have seemed rather small. The proceedings were much the same as on similar previous occasions. The towers of St. Mary's, Lewisham (8); St. John's, Deptford (8); St. Mary Magdalene, Woolwich (8), were open for ringing both morning and afternoon; and St. Alphege, Greenwich (10), and St. Margaret's, Lee (8), in the afternoon.

The Central Committee met at eleven o'clock, but all except formal business was postponed, owing partly to the usual lack of time available on these occasions, and partly to the absence of the honorary secretary, the Rev. F. J. O. Helmore, through indisposition. The annual service was held at 11.30 a.m. in the parish church of St. Mary, Lewisham, and was fairly attended. The Rev. W. London (curate) read the prayers; the Rev. E. W. Carpenter (vicar of Milton, next Sittingbourne) the lessons; Mr. F. Leeds, Mus. Bac., presiding at the organ and accompanying the *Te Deum* and the three hymns sung, viz., 'When God of old came down from heaven,' 'Come, gracious Spirit, heavenly Dove,' and 'Stand up for Jesus.' The Vicar of Lewisham (the Rev. Samuel Bickersteth) preached the sermon. The offertory for the Association's belfry repairs fund amounted to £1. 1s. 9d.

The dinner was served in the parish hall at 12.45 p.m., the Vicar presiding. Besides the clergy and organist, there were present Mr. E. C. Sinkler, churchwarden of Lewisham; the Rev. C. E. Escreet, rector of Woolwich; and members from all parts of the county to the number of about 140, among whom were two lady members, Miss Airey, of Greenwich, and Miss Macalpine Leny. The toast of 'the Queen' was given by the Chairman and warmly received. Mr. W. Haigh (Gillingham) proposed the health of the Archbishop and clergy, together with thanks to the preacher for his interesting address. The Rev. C. E. Escreet responded for the Archbishop and clergy, and the Chairman expressed the pleasure he felt in welcoming the Association to Lewisham, and being able to help on its useful work. The only other toast was that of the churchwardens and organist, proposed by Mr. A. Palmer (Maidstone), to which Mr. Sinkler responded.

The Secretary's Report was then read by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter. From this it appeared that both numerically and financially the Association was in much the same position as last year; there had been a good many changes, losses by death, removal, and resignations; but the gains had nearly equalled the losses, the total number of members being 736 as compared with 767 last year. The bands at Wye, Horsmonden, and Marden had left, but those at Linton, Hollingbourne, and St. Margaret's, Lee, had joined. Reference was made to the bell-ringing operations at Ashford, Eltham, Sevenoaks, and St. Mary's, Chatham. Thanks for hospitality shown to members of the Tunbridge district were given to the Rev. and Mrs. Mackinnon, and Miss Macalpine Leny, of Speldhurst, and to Mrs. Griffiths and the Misses Ward, of Squerryes Lodge, Westerham, and a wish was expressed that others might follow their example. Forty-six peals were rung during 1897, DOUBLE NORWICH appearing again in the list, and STEDMAN for the first time more plentiful than GRANDSIRE. The peal-ringing, it was remarked, was confined to comparatively few. A more general diffusion of peal-ringing was much to be desired, and a larger number of conductors—not that just a few should ring or call a prodigious quantity of peals. The election of officers and committee was then proceeded with: a business soon disposed of by the re-election of those holding office last year. A proposal was made to add one or two more practising members to the Committee; but it was pointed out that the general meeting could only elect honorary members, but that the Committee had power to add to its number. A proposal to add to the words 'and the Central Council Representatives' to the rule describing the composition of the General Committee was unanimously agreed to. This was only to provide for the case in which a member elected as Representative on the Central Council might not already be a member of the Committee. Mr. Groombridge (Sevenoaks) proposed 'that the December meeting of the Committee should be held in each district in turn,' which was seconded by Mr. W. Latter (Sec. Tunbridge district). This was not passed, the general feeling being that the place of meeting was a matter for the Committee themselves to settle.

This completed the business, and the company adjourned, some to the various towers open for ringing, others to admire the beauties of Lewisham and district. On the whole the meeting, though small, was thoroughly successful. Thanks are due to the incumbents of the several churches for the use of the bells, but especially to the Vicar of Lewisham for his kind co-operation and welcome of the Association. No votes of thanks appear to have been passed, but all present would have joined

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heartily in one to the Rev. E. W. Carpenter for resuming for the occasion the office of Secretary, and ably performing the manifold duties falling upon that officer at the annual gathering.

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

NORTHAMPTON was again chosen as the place for the holding of the annual meeting of the Central Northamptonshire Association on Whit Monday, and there was a good attendance of ringers from all the central parishes of the county. By special permission the bells of the churches of St. Giles (10), St. Peter (8), St. Edmund (8), and All Saints (8) were at liberty for ringing during the day.

At the service at St. Peter's Church there was a good congregation, including the Rev. E. N. Tom, the esteemed rector of the parish. The prayers were read by the Rev. A. Granger, curate of St. Peter's, and the lessons by the Rev. H. C. Holmes, curate of St. Sepulchre's, and the Rev. E. C. Channer, vicar of Ravensthorpe. The sermon was preached by the Rev. W. St. George Coldwell, rector of Wilbye. The organist of St. Peter's Church (Miss Risbee) and a number of the choirboys were present and added to the brightness of the service.

At the luncheon at the Peacock Hotel nearly a hundred sat down. The chair was taken by the President of the Association, the Ven. R. P. Lightfoot, archdeacon of Oakham and rector of Uppingham. After dinner the Rev. J. Dun, the hon. treasurer, stated that the balance at the bank was 24l. 2s. 7d., so that the Association was shown to be in a thoroughly solvent condition and doing a good work. The Hon. Secretary, Mr. Dennes, reported that the receipts for the year amounted to 16l. 11s. 7d., and the expenditure to 15l. 0s. 6d., leaving a balance in hand of 1l. 11s. 1d. He referred with pleasure to the work in connexion with the bells which had been carried out at Finedon and Raunds, and was contemplated at St. Sepulchre's, Northampton, and Rushden. He especially noted the fact of the gift of clock, chimes, and carillons to St. Matthew's Church by Mr. Pickering Phipps. The report and statement of accounts were unanimously agreed to.

The Rev. W. C. Cotes (Wellingborough), Captain Munroe Benn (Ravensthorpe), and Messrs. G. S. Mason, G. Skinner, and J. Claridge (of Rushden) were admitted as honorary members; also twenty-eight new performing members, including the complete company of seven from Ravensthorpe (which belfry had not previously belonged to the Association) and the Rev. H. K. Fry, of Rushden, and the Rev. G. M. Edmonds, of Stoke Doyle.

It was decided to hold the next quarterly meeting in August at Raunds. Upon the proposition of the Chairman, thanks were accorded to the incumbents and churchwardens of the different parishes who had allowed them the use of the bells; to the Rev. W. St. George Coldwell for his excellent sermon; and also to the ringers in the different belfries in Northampton. The vote was replied to by the Rev. W. St. G. Coldwell and Alderman W. Tomes (ex-churchwarden of St. Edmund's), who some years since gave a ring of bells for the belfry of that parish. Votes of thanks to the Hon. Secretary and the Chairman were passed.

Presentation to Mr. Henry S. Thomas, of Old Battersea, Surrey.

A GATHERING of considerable interest to the bell-ringing fraternity took place on Thursday, June 2nd, at the Green Lane Schoolroom.

Mr. Henry S. Thomas, who has been connected with the belfry of St. Mary's for twenty-eight years, recently removed from the neighbourhood, and though, by desire of the Vicar and all concerned, he still retains the Mastership of the tower, it was felt that advantage should be taken of the occasion to tender a token of appreciation. Accordingly about fifty ringers and friends assembled under the presidency of the Rev. D. Tudor Craig.

Canon Erskine Clarke, the vicar, wrote from Yorkshire regretting his inability to be present, and letters of regret were also received from Canon Toone, the Rev. J. Miles, the Rev. H. Sheppard, and others.

The first part of the proceedings included songs by Mr. Orchard, the Rev. C. T. Waring, and Messrs. Rebell and Swetman; a violin solo by Mr. Henton; and a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES on the handbells by Messrs. Baron, Hopkins, Brighton, and Rogers.

In the name of the vicar, clergy, churchwardens, and sidesmen, past and present, the bell-ringers of St. Mary's, Battersea, members of the Institute, and other friends, the Chairman presented Mr. Thomas with an illuminated address, a handsome silver quadruple candelabra, and two reversible silver entrée dishes.

The address ran as follows: 'Presented to Mr. Henry S. Thomas in commemoration of his services to the cause of bell-ringing during past twenty-five years, both at the church of St. Mary, Battersea, and elsewhere, by the vicar, clergy, churchwardens, and officers of St. Mary, Battersea, and a few of his bell-ringing friends. With their best wishes that he may long enjoy the blessings of health and prosperity. Whitsuntide, 1898.'

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In reply, Mr. Thomas stated that his connexion with the parish church commenced in 1872, and he had done his best ever since to maintain the reputation of St. Mary's and to keep the bells in good ringing order. He had a keen recollection of a similar occasion in 1884, when he was presented with an address and a clock and ornaments, which he prized very highly indeed. Why they should give him another testimonial he did not understand, but he thanked all who had subscribed for their kindness, which he should never forget.

Mr. Wells made a good point by referring to the improved status of bell-ringers as compared with thirty years ago, when it was said that ringers were the most discreditable persons in the parish, as, while they were constantly ringing others to church, they never went themselves. Now the bell-ringer was respected everywhere, and he thought that they should acknowledge the work of *Church Bells* in this matter, and the efforts of such men as Canon Clarke and Mr. Thomas. Speeches by Mr. Gitsham, the Rev. C. T. Waring, and others having followed, the musical proceedings were resumed, songs being sung by Messrs. Crust, Gitsham, Miller, Baron, Hopkins, Riddick, and the Chairman. (A biographical notice of Mr. Thomas, with portrait, appeared in *Church Bells* of January 29th, 1897.)

Dedication of Bells at Holcombe Rogus, Devon.

ASCENSION DAY was commemorated at Holcombe Rogus by a ceremony of a most pleasing and interesting character. For years past the project of rehangng the bells and adding an additional one has been mooted. It was not until last year, however, that the idea took a practical form. The Vicar of the parish took the matter in hand vigorously, and a debt of gratitude is due to him for the energy with which he has pushed forward the scheme. The work proposed included the taking down of the existing five bells from their cage, which was old, worn out, and dangerous, and rehangng them, together with a sixth bell, in a new cage, with all the latest improvements. Mr. Harry Stokes, Woodbury, was entrusted with the work, and the estimate of the cost was 150*l*. In addition, it was resolved to add a chiming apparatus at a cost of 7*l*. In April last the work was completed. It was pronounced by all to be highly satisfactory, and Mr. Stokes may be congratulated on having achieved a thorough workmanlike success. The work has been carried out as a memorial of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The new bell is a small treble in C sharp. The weight of the tenor bell, which bears the date 1691, is 18 cwt. Upon the second there is no date, but it is believed that the latter dates back much later than the first bell. The third bell is of a comparatively recent date—1825. The year 1626 is inscribed on the fourth bell, while the fifth is dated 1763. The latter bell fell about two years ago during a harvest festival service. The inscription on the new bell, which was founded by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, London, is as follows:—'In mem. dea. Jub. Vict. Reg., 1897. L. T. Ward, Vicar; M. White and T. H. Merson, Churchwardens. Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, to-day, and for ever.' The belfry has been enlarged, and a new wooden ceiling added.

OXTON.—At St. Saviour's, on May 19th (Ascension Day), this being the third anniversary of the dedication of the bells, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 45 mins. rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the late Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, by the following members of the Chester Diocesan Guild (Wirral Branch):—J. Owens, 1; J. Grant, 2; G. Newton, 3; W. Hughes, 4; J. Hughes (conductor), 5; J. Evans, 6; J. Dillon (Bromborough), 7; C. Owens, 8.

PORTSEA.—At the Parish Church, on May 22nd, the Winchester Diocesan Guild rang for morning service 420 GRANDSIRE. Hannam, 1; Reynolds, 2; Harris, 3; Symons, 4; Matthews, 5; C. Groves, 6; Newman, 7; J. R. Webb, 8. Also 420 STEADMAN. J. Harris, 1; J. Harper, 2; C. Groves, 3; Symons, 4; Newman, 5; Reynolds, 6; Gould (conductor), 7; Ingrem, 8. For evening service: Hannam, 1; Pye, 2; Harris, 3; Matthews, 4; Gould, 5; J. W. Whiting, 6; Newman (conductor), 7; Ingrem, 8. The above weretmuffled touches in memory of Mr. Gladstone, as were the touches at a special service in the Parish Church on May 28th.

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ISLINGTON, N.—At St. Mary's Church, on May 28th, with bells half-muffled, a funeral peal (the usual whole-pull-and-stand) was rung in memory of the late Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone. W. A. Spicer (conductor), 1; A. Read, 2; H. Franks, 3; G. Ganes, 4; F. Linstead, 5; T. Jeffreys, 6; H. May, 7; J. Barry, 8.

GREENWICH.—At St. Alfege's, on May 28th, with bells half-muffled in memory of the late Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 59 min. I. G. Shade, 1; J. J. Lamb, 2; F. W. Thornton (conductor), 3; W. Foreman, 4; W. Flanders, 5; W. Berry, 6; H. Hoskins, 7; C. Withecomb, 8.

KENSINGTON.—At St. Mary Abbot's, on June 5th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 1259 changes, in 53 mins. W. E. Judd, 1; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 2; G. Brush, 3; A. E. Bradley, 4; T. H. Taffender, 5; A. F. Harris, 6; A. W. Brighton, 7; W. Fox, 8; J. George (composer) 9; J. Waghorn, jun., 10.

A VERY sudden death took place at St. Martin's Church, Charing Cross, a few days ago. John Nelms, aged fifty-eight, who had been a ringer at the church for forty years, had been taking part in a muffled peal on the occasion of Mr. Gladstone's funeral when he fell forward, became unconscious, and shortly afterwards died. Death was due to the bursting of an aneurism in the brain.



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There is no doubt that we live in an age of worry and excitement, and as the struggle for existence is anything but conducive to good digestion or an appetite that can relish anything, the palate of the average work-a-day individual has to be tickled and tempted in a variety of ways. We are often lectured about the evil effects of an over-indulgence in tea or coffee, not to mention intoxicating liquors, until many people are bewildered what to turn to for a beverage, which shall be at once agreeable to the taste, and supply the desired nourishing and stimulating qualities. Public attention has been freely drawn to the merits of Dr. Tibbles' Vi-Cocoa, as supplying a long-felt want in this direction. It is not simply a cocoa, but a preparation of two or three other ingredients, which give it great nutritive and invigorating qualities. It is, therefore, not merely a pleasant beverage but a food and a tonic in the bargain. Its success has certainly been phenomenal, and that is perhaps the best warranty for the claim made on its behalf, that Vi-Cocoa 'has the refreshing properties of fine tea, the nourishment of the best cocoas, a tonic and recuperative force possessed by neither, and can be used in all cases where tea and coffee are prohibited.'

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day (June 17th).

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on June 21st; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on June 24th.

Society of Change-ringers for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

THE Annual Meeting will be held at Lichfield, on Saturday, June 25th. 1898. Programme: 2 to 4, Ringing, and payment of subscriptions in Cathedral belfry. (Committee-men will greatly assist the secretaries by collecting the subscriptions from their members and paying them all in together as soon as possible after arriving in Lichfield.) 4.0, Committee Meeting in Cathedral belfry. 5.0, Service at St. Mary's, at which all members should be present. 5.30, Tea at the Coffee House, to be followed by General Meeting. The following steeples will be open to members of the Society during the afternoon: Cathedral (10 bells), St. Mary's (8), and St. Michael's (6).

The Cheltenham and District Guild.

THE Cheltenham and District Guild of Bell-ringers, which has been established some six or seven years, and comprises over fifty members, held its annual dinner at the Royal Hotel on Saturday, May 28th. Mr. William Price, parish churchwarden of Charlton Kings, was in the chair, and Mr. G. H. Phillott, to whose keen interest the Guild owes a great deal, occupied the vice-chair.

After dinner, the Chairman proposed 'The Queen,' and the toast was loyally honoured.

Mr. Phillott was next invited to say a few words on local ringing matters, and in responding he expressed his gratification at the flourishing condition, both numerically and financially, in which the Guild was at present, and made appreciative acknowledgment of the efficient services of the Secretary and of Mr. F. E. Ward, the Master. A matter on which the hearts of local bell-ringers were very much set at present was the augmentation of the Parish Church bells, and the converting of the peal from one of ten bells into one of twelve. There were already three

peals of twelve in Gloucestershire; why should they not, by making the suggested addition of two bells to the Cheltenham peal, give Gloucestershire the honour of being the only county (barring Middlesex) which could boast four peals of twelve bells? There were a fair number of ringers in Cheltenham who could strike well, and he should very much like to hear them on a peal of twelve. They did try to get the additional bells as a Jubilee memorial, but the matter was not taken up then; it could now be taken up as a memorial to Mr. Gladstone, or in honour of the Diamond Jubilee of the Coronation, which fell this year. With a very little effort the necessary funds could, he was sure, be raised. An estimate had been obtained, showing that the augmentation could be made for somewhere about 200*l.*, and that was not a large sum for a wealthy town like Cheltenham to raise. The Rector had given his full permission for the work to be done, and the proposal had his warm support. The Baron de Ferrieres, who was a great patron of the old church, offered 5*l.* towards the object as soon as it was mentioned to him, and other sums had been promised, ranging from 10*l.* downwards, bringing the total up to 40*l.* If 40*l.* could be raised without any fuss whatever, he felt certain that the balance could be secured by a united effort, and he hoped the proposal would now be taken up seriously and energetically. He should very much like the local ringers to get the money together and present the new bells to the Parish Church. It was a party of Cheltenham ringers who, in 1833, presented the two bells which raised the number to ten, and it was on those ten bells that a Cheltenham party rang the long peal of 15,000 changes, which had stood as a record for ten years and was still unbeaten. April 22nd was the anniversary of that peal, and May 21st was the anniversary of another long peal—the 13 000 STEDMAN CATERS, which, so far as striking went, was a more creditable performance than that of the 15,000. When they had their twelve bells, there was no reason why a peal should not be rung in Cheltenham which both for length and quality had never been rung before.

Dedication of Bells at Willington, Bedfordshire.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE ST. STEPHEN'S SOCIETY.

At St. Stephen's, Westminster, on June 11th, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

George W. Mulley .. 1	James Willshire .. 5
Arthur G. Ellis .. 2	Samuel E. Andrews .. 6
John N. Oxborrow .. 3	Charles T. P. Brice .. 7
Henry S. Ellis .. 4	Henry R. Newton .. 8

Composed by James W. Washbrook, conducted by Charles T. P. Brice.

The Sussex County Association.

At Christ Church, St. Leonards-on-Sea, on June 8th, Hollis's Irregular Five-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 24 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

Albert Novis* .. 1	Newton Cruttenden .. 5
Clement Hill* .. 2	George Watson* (condr.) 6
Henry C. Harvey .. 3	Thomas J. Ades .. 7
Francis A. Kennett .. 4	Harry Denman* .. 8

This is the first peal rung on the bells and in the borough of Hastings. [* First peal.]

The Hertfordshire Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, Herts, on June 8th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 7 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

W. H. L. Buckingham .. 1	Charles R. Lilley .. 5
Frank A. Smith* .. 2	William E. Oakley* .. 6
Herbert Martin* .. 3	William Hewitt* .. 7
Charles George* .. 4	Ernest E. Huntley .. 8

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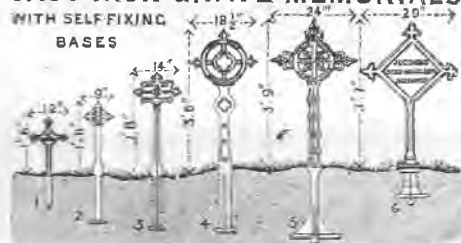
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William G. Hall .. 1	Leonard Bullock .. 6
Henry Dawkes .. 2	Herbert P. Harman .. 7
Benjamin Dalton .. 3	Herbert Knight .. 8
Hugh J. Balcombe .. 4	James E. Groves .. 9
John Jagger .. 5	Aaron Griffiths .. 10

Composed and conducted by James E. Groves.

At the Parish Church, Tipton, Staffordshire, on June 7th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 50 mins.

Samuel Reeves (condr.) .. 1	Thomas Horton .. 5
Frederick Bywater .. 2	James Hall .. 6
William Micklewright .. 3	William R. Small .. 7
William H. Godden .. 4	Reuben Hall .. 8

At the Parish Church, Handsworth, on June 9th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins.

Richard Faux .. 1	Alfred Smith* .. 5
William Verry .. 2	Thomas Westwood .. 6
Samuel Reeves (condr.) .. 3	William H. Godden .. 7
William Cooper, jun. .. 4	William Painter .. 8

[* First peal with a bob-bell.]

The above three peals were rung with the bells half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Ven. Melville H. Scott, archdeacon of Stafford, and President of the above Society.

At St. Luke's, Wolverhampton, on June 8th, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 2 hrs. 55 mins. Tenor, 10 cwt.

Henry Dawkes .. 1	Robert Pickering .. 5
Benjamin Dalton .. 2	Herbert Knight .. 6
George Burrows .. 3	Aaron Griffiths .. 7
Herbert P. Harman .. 4	James E. Groves .. 8

Composed by J. A. Trollop and conducted by James E. Groves. Rung to celebrate the birthday of Edward Lisle, Esq., the donor of these bells.

OXTON, CHESHIRE.—On June 10th, at St. Saviour's Church, a date touch of 1898 changes of MAJOR in 1 hr. 17 mins. by members of the Wirral Branch of the Chester Diocesan Guild. C. Owens, 1; J. Grant, 2; J. Owens, 3; W. Hughes, 4; G. Newton, 5; J. Evans, 6; J. Hughes, 7; J. Dillon (Bromboro'), 8. Composed by G. Newton and conducted by J. Dillon. This is the longest touch of MAJOR rung on the bells and also by the local band. [No method mentioned in report sent.]

In the report of the Central Northamptonshire Annual Meeting, which appeared in our columns last week, the name of the Rev. R. Copeman was accidentally omitted from the list of gentlemen proposed as Honorary Members.

NOTICE.—In order that peals may be reported without delay, conductors should send particulars to Mr. W. T. COCKEILL, 37 Tradescant Road, South Lambeth, immediately after the events.

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By the BISHOP OF ST. ALBANS.—Revs. E. B. Conder, to St. Michael's, St. Albans; A. D. Dixey, to Christ Church, Great Warley; A. E. Moys, in St. Mary's, Plaistow; H. Rushbridger, to St. Giles's, Colchester; F. G. Russell, to All Saints', Leavesden; J. D. Sansom, to St. Paul's, Stratford; H. R. White, to South Shoebury.

By the BISHOP OF ST. DAVID'S.—Revs. A. H. Covile, to Llandinog; W. Davies, to Llangattock, with Llangenny; T. R. Davies, to Ystradgynlais; W. L. Footman, to Holy Trinity, Aberystwyth; E. Griffith, to St. Paul's, Llanelly; T. Jones, to Llanddewi Brefi; L. Morris, to Llanllwchaearn; D. Thomas, to Llanybyther and Llanwenog.

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By the BISHOP OF WAKEFIELD.—Revs. A. W. Giddy, to Sandal Magna; A. G. M. Rushton, to Honley; W. J. Watson, to Raskiliffe.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Paul's Cathedral, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on June 28th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on June 29th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on July 1st.

Royal Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on July 1st.

Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change-ringers.

The members of the above Association held their annual festival this year at Wells on Saturday, June 11th. About 130 members, representing various towns in the diocese, assembled at half-past twelve at the Gymnasium, High Street, to dinner. The Lord Bishop occupied the chair, and amongst those present were Mr. H. W. Tomkins (hon. secretary and treasurer, Washford), Rev. Preb. Beresford, Revs. H. C. Courtney and J. E. Honnywill (Leigh-on-Mendip), Messrs. C. E. D. Boutflower and Quintock-Shuldharn.

After dinner the Hon. Secretary presented his report, which announced a successful year's work. There has been a steady increase in the number of members—both honorary, who had increased from 50 to 55, and performing members, who had increased from 350 to 380. Geographically, the area of the work is extending, the following towers having joined the Association during the year:—Milverton, Wellington, Barrington, Banwell, and St. Mark's, Bath. Scientifically, too, their progress had been satisfactory. Although only thirteen peals had been recorded as against twenty the previous year, they were as a whole of higher standard than in 1896. Their friends at Dunster and Minehead,

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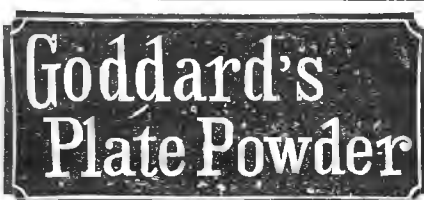
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in scoring five peals of STEDMAN TRIPLES (as compared with two in 1896), had helped somewhat to take away the reproach of too great a fondness for the GRANDSIRE method. The Taunton men had been successful in ringing the first peal of BOB MAJOR for the Association, and the Norton Fitzwarren men had made good progress in several BOB MINOR methods. Financially the Association was in a flourishing condition, the balance having increased from 13*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* to 20*l.* 17*s.* 7*d.*, which was due to the increase of membership and other causes. Three successful meetings had been held during the year at South Petherton, Bath, and Leigh-on-Mendip.

Mr. C. E. B. Boutflower moved the adoption of the report, which was seconded by Mr. Quantock-Shuldham, supported by the Bishop, and carried.

The names of Lord Hylton and Sir R. H. Paget were added to the list of Vice-Presidents, and the Rev. H. C. Courtney was re-elected Master of the Association, and Mr. H. W. Tomkins Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.

Several new members were elected, and it was decided to hold the next meeting at Dunster.

Votes of thanks were passed to the Dean of Wells, the Rev. Preb. Beresford, and the Vicar of St. John's, Glastonbury, for allowing the use of the Cathedral and church bells. A vote of thanks was passed to the Bishop, who afterwards addressed the members in the Cathedral.

A Peal of Stedman Caters (6696 Changes).

By GEORGE ASTBURY, Flixton, Manchester.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Mary's, Battersea, on June 18th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5280 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

William H. Webber	..	1	Henry S. Ellis	..	5
John C. Mitchell	..	2	Frederick Dench	..	6
Henry R. Newton	..	3	William T. Cockerill	..	7
Charles T. P. Brice	..	4	John N. Oxborrow	..	8

Composed and conducted by Frederick Dench. This composition, in three equal parts, contains the 6th its full extent at home, and is the first ever composed containing these qualities. It was rung as a birthday compliment to Messrs. Dench and Ellis.

At the residence of Mr. Fenn, Fisher Street, Barking, Essex, on June 15th, on handbells retained in hand, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 39 mins.

Caleb Fenn	..	1-2	Thos. Faulkner (condr.)	5-6
Roland Fenn	..	3-4	York Green	7-8

Composed by York Green. Umpire, Mr. Albert Hardy. First peal in the method on handbells by all the band.

The Midland Counties' Association.

At the Parish Church, Stanford, on June 17th, a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES (No. 1), 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins.

Richard Lane	..	1	John W. Taylor, jun.	..	5
Edward Reader	..	2	William A. Masters	..	6
William H. Inglesant	..	3	James Hutchby	..	7
Harry Whittle*	..	4	George Doughty	..	8

Composed by Sir A. P. Heywood, Bart., and conducted by John W. Taylor, jun. First peal of STEDMAN on the bells. [* First peal in the method.]

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At St. Mary's, Eastbourne, on June 18th, Parker's Twelve-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt.

James Osborn	..	1	Thomas Price	..	5
George H. Howse	..	2	John S. Goldsmith (condr.)	..	6
George Penfold	..	3	Benjamin Hobbs	..	7
Alfred E. Midmore	..	4	John Newman	..	8

Also at St. Mary-the-Virgin's, Ringmer, on June 18th, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 16 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Arthur Rook*	..	1	Henry Jones*	..	5
Robert J. Dawe	..	2	George Gatland	..	6
William Pelling	..	3	Charles Painter	..	7
Frank Bennett	..	4	George Williams	..	8

Composed and conducted by Frank Bennett. First peal of BOB MAJOR on the bells. [* First peal of MAJOR.]

AND at St. Peter's, Chailey, on June 19th, a peal of MINOR, 5040 changes, in the following methods: viz., 720 each of COLLEGE SINGLE, OXFORD BOB, CANTERBURY, GRANDSIRE, PLAIN BOB, OXFORD, and KENT. Tenor, 8 cwt.

Alfred J. Turner	..	1	William Pelling	..	4
George Gatland	..	2	John S. Goldsmith	..	5
Frank Bennett	..	3	George Williams (condr.)	..	6

This is the first record of a 5040 on these bells, although it is said that seven 720's were rung years before the recollection of any of the oldest inhabitants of Chailey.

ST. SEPULCHRE'S, HOLBORN.—On June 19th, for evening service, 1152 KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR in 54 mins. T. H. Taffender (conductor), 1; F. G. Symonds, 2; W. Berry, 3; W. Truss, 4; F. C. Newman, 5; J. Waghorn, jun., 6; E. S. Poll, 7; H. Flanders, 8.

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MR. J. SPANTON'S useful little manual on architecture, entitled *When was my Parish Church Built?*—published by the Church Newspaper Company, Limited, at the low price of sixpence—continues to have a steady sale. A limited number of copies of *Church and Queen*, issued as a Jubilee publication from these offices, still remain to be disposed of. Handsomely bound and patriotic in tone, the volume has been a great favourite as a school prize. None of the Company's publications can, however, compete with the sale of *Waiting for the Spring*, which, already in its third edition, promises to make one of the record sales of the year. The enormous demand for this, the first of the Craysmere records, has unavoidably delayed the publication of *A Man of No Account*, the second of the series. NEMO.

Reviews

THE TOURIST'S CHURCH GUIDE, 1898-99. (E. C. U. Office. 1s 6d. or cloth 2s.)—This useful handbook gives every information required by the tourist as to the hours of service, ritual, &c., in most of the churches in which the Holy Communion is celebrated at least on every Sunday, as to what hymn-book is used, and as to whether the church is free and open. No less than 8183 churches are included, and out of these the eastward position is taken in no less than 7044. There is a daily celebration in 613, and 4282 are open for private prayer. Particulars are also given of churches in Scotland and Ireland, and many in our foreign and colonial dioceses.

A REPLY TO CARDINAL VAUGHAN, by John Charles Elgood (Skeffington & Sons) is a sermon preached a year ago, in which the so-called 'Evangelical' view of the Holy Communion is strongly advocated.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL RED BOOK (S. S. U. 1s.) is a carefully compiled and useful manual of instruction and advice for superintendents. The fact that Mr. F. F. Belsey, chairman of the Council of the Sunday-school Union, is its author is a guarantee of its practical character.

THE SPIRIT OF POWER IN LIFE, WORK, AND WORSHIP, by the Rev. W. Talbot-Hindley (*Home Words* Office. 6d.), is a small brochure upon the work and influence of the Holy Spirit upon our lives. It is certainly pleasant reading, but it might have been more definite to have been more practical and useful in laying down the grand old doctrine of the Creed of the Catholic Church: 'I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Lord, and Giver of Life. Amen.'

KING SOLOMON'S MINES. By H. Rider Haggard. (Cassell & Co. 6d.)—This reprint of a story which was first published thirteen years ago is a marvel of cheapness, considering the excellence of the production, both as regards paper and printing. It is illustrated.

THE PEOPLE'S GUIDE TO THE WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION ACT, by Mr. A. M. Minton-Senhouse and Mr. G. F. Emery, LL.M., is a useful little work which may be perused with advantage by workmen. Messrs. Bemrose & Sons, Limited, are the publishers.

THE CHURCH ECLECTIC AND ANGLO-CATHOLIC MONTHLY, for June, contains an admirable portrait of the late Bishop of Iowa, the Right Rev. W. Stevens Perry, D.D., LL.D., and is well up to its usual standard.

MESSRS. PERKINS, BACON & Co., of London, have published a booklet on BOYON FOOD PRESERVATIVES. It is really a collection of medical and scientific data on the subject. (6d.)

THE HOLIDAY HOME REGISTER (London: J. & J. Paton. 6d.)—This publication, which is well illustrated and printed, is quite a compendium of information in regard to holiday accommodation at seaside and inland places of resort. Tourists will assuredly find this register very useful.

Magazines.

THE STUDIO has several supplements, including a reproduction in colours of a pastel drawing by Selwyn Image, whose work is described in an interesting paper; a reproduction in colours of a sketch of Napoleon, by Horace Vernet; and a study by Sir E. Burne-Jones. Among the articles are 'The Future of Wood Engraving,' by A. L. Baldry; 'The Industrial Arts of America'; 'The Three Vernets,' with twelve illustrations of their works; and some studies by the late Sir E. Burne-Jones. It is an exceptionally interesting number.

THE Midsummer volume of THE DAY OF DAYS contains a portrait of Charles Haddon Spurgeon, accompanied by portions of a review, by the editor, of the recently published autobiography of the famous pastor. There is also an illustrated sketch of the career of the Right Rev. W. Pakenham Walsh, D.D., formerly Bishop of Ossory.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day July 1st.

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on July 5th; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on July 8th.

The St. Margaret's Abbey Church Society, Barking.

THROUGH the generosity of their Vice-President, Mr. A. E. Davies, the members of this Society and several friends, including Mr. Churchwarden Weller, Mr. Faulkner, sen., Mr. Fenn, sen., and Mr. York Green, were enabled to pay a most enjoyable visit to Westerham, Kent, on Saturday, June 25th. On arriving at the station, a short walk through the fields brought the party of nineteen to the entrance of the churchyard. This 'God's acre' gives the visitor an idea of the loving care which is bestowed on the whole surroundings and fabric of the beautiful church dedicated to St. Mary. There are some fine windows in the church, a handsome reredos, and a costly lectern: also the following brasses—Sir William Dyne, priest, died 1567; Richard Potter, died 1511, with figures of his five boys and three girls; Thomas Potter, died 1531; William Middleton, died 1557, his two wives, and seven (out of fifteen) children; John Lovestede, died 1676; and John Christie, died 1567.

General James Wolfe, the hero of Quebec, was born at Westerham, January 2nd, 1727, and a marble tablet over the south door bears these lines:—

'Whilst George in sorrow bows his laurell'd head,
And bids the artist grace the soldier dead,
We raise no sculptur'd trophies to thy name,
Brave youth! the fairest in the list of fame;
Proud of thy birth, we boast th' auspicious year—
Struck with thy fall, we shed a general tear;
With humble grief inscribe one artless stone,
And from thy matchless honours date our own.'

Needless to say, the greatest attraction was the fine ring of eight bells—tenor, 23 cwt.—which was put into excellent repair by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, in 1892. With an interval at five o'clock for tea, the bells were rung from 4 to 8.30 p.m., and touches of GRANDSIRE and STEDMAN TRIPLES, KENT TREBLE BOB, DOUBLE NORWICH and SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR were brought round, several of the local ringers also taking part. The beautiful walks in the neighbourhood afforded much pleasure to the visitors, and the music of the bells could be heard on the balmy air of what turned out to be, against all expectations, a lovely summer afternoon. A meeting was held at the Crown Hotel, at 8.45, when resolutions were passed thanking the Rector of Westerham

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CONSUMPTION AND OTHER DISEASES OF THE LUNGS.

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INTERVIEW

With Rev. T. YAULDREN, Baptist Minister, Semley, Shaftesbury, Wilts.

CONSUMPTION PRONOUNCED HOPELESS.

From a letter I had seen, written by Rev. T. Yauldren, I concluded—and rightly—that he had seen the good done by Mr. Congreve's remedies for chest diseases; so when in the neighbourhood, at the end of 1897, I took the opportunity of calling at his house. Mr. Yauldren was enjoying a spin on his bicycle, but on his return, shortly after, he very willingly saw me, and in answer to a question, said:—

'I have known Mr. Congreve's medicine for a good many years. In a former pastorate, in North Devon, I recommended its use in several cases—one of them particularly noteworthy. It was a little girl, Annie Gerry, about eleven years of age, who was desperately ill, and of whose recovery the doctor gave not the slightest hope. She suffered with Consumption. I wrote to Coombe Lodge on behalf of the parents, and she commenced the medicine. To put it briefly, she made a splendid and rapid recovery, and is well and strong now.

'Another case I call to mind—where the patient was too far gone for anything to be of permanent benefit. I am pleased to say the medicine gave great relief. For myself, I always take it if I get a cold, or if, as often happen, I experience any discomfort from having strained the voice. On Sunday evenings, sometimes, after preaching, and then walking across to the house in the cold night air, I find a dose or two very beneficial.'

Mr. Yauldren was quite agreeable to having this testimony of his made public.

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for the use of the bells; the local ringers—Messrs. G. B. and H. J. Selby, D. Wright, G. Steer, R. Stone, and Mr. Groombridge, of Sevenoaks—for their company and kindly expressions of goodwill to their brother-ringers; and last, but not least, to Mr. E. A. Davies, both for the outing he had so carefully arranged, and also for the practical support he continuously gives in all matters bearing on the welfare and happiness of St. Margaret's Society of Change-ringers.

Ringers' Service at Hackney, Middlesex.

A SPECIAL service for bell-ringers of the rural deanery of Hackney was held in the parish church of St. John-at-Hackney on Tuesday, June 21st, at 8.30 p.m., and was well attended, about forty being present. An address was given by the Rector, the Hon. and Rev. Algernon G. Lawley, M.A., who took for his text Ps. xxvii. 4. After extending a cordial welcome to those present, and expressing a hope that, though this was the first service of the kind held in the rural deanery of Hackney in connexion with the Dedication Festival, it may continue in the years to come, he proceeded to an exhortation on the words of the psalm, simply and eloquently expounding their meaning and bearing in connexion with the services of the Church and every-day experience, giving practical hints and suggestions in an inspiring, earnest manner, which made a great impression and gave much pleasure to those present. After the service, touches of STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE TRIPLES were rung upon the bells.

New Bells at St. Nicholas', Yarmouth.

SOME interesting services were recently held at the parish church in connexion with the completion of the rehanging of the peal of bells, and the addition of two new bells by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, at a total cost of about 325*l*. The work has been admirably carried out, and the fittings and hangings are of such a substantial nature as to provide against further expenditure on this head for another generation. The old peal consisted of ten bells, and were cast by Messrs. Mears & Son, and erected in the month of March, 1808, and rung for the first time on March 2nd of that year. They replaced a peal of eight bells, six of which were cast at some date anterior to 1670, the two trebles having been erected in 1726.

The following are the weights and diameters of the bells, viz. :—

	Diameter.		Weight.	
	ft.	in.	cwt.	qrs. lbs.
Tenor	4	8½	30	1 21
11th	4	2½	22	0 26
10th	3	9¼	16	1 26
9th	3	7½	13	2 13
8th	3	4¼	11	3 14
7th	3	1	9	0 10
6th	2	11½	8	2 7
5th	2	9½	7	2 10
4th	2	8	7	1 6
3rd	2	7¼	7	2 6
2nd (new bell)	—	—	6	2 14
Treble (new bell)	—	—	5	2 8

The treble bears the following inscription: 'We praise Thee, O God.' Following this are the subjoined names: 'Ernest de M. Lacon, Mayor; James E. Rogers, vicar; R. Martins and W. Barnard, churchwardens, 1898.' On the new second are engraved the words, 'O! be joyful in the Lord,' the same names following the inscription as in the previous case.

The evening service was made the occasion of a special sermon by the Rev. Canon J. J. Raven, D.D., rector of Fressingfield, who chose as his text, 'There are, it may be, so many kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification' (1 Cor. xiv. 10). Dr. Raven said that the Apostle was speaking of a great difficulty that had arisen in the Corinthian Church, viz., a misuse of the wonderful gift of the tongue. The voice was used in many languages, and in many instances an interpreter was required. This was true not only of human language, but of other sounds in the world. He often wondered what was the signification of the notes of the bird, and of the various sounds made by the beasts, but none were without signification. So, too, was the wonderful power of musical sounds that appealed to the natures of men. As light was made for the eye and the eye for light, so music was made for the ear and the ear for music, which had the power to touch the heart. God had made them wonderfully subject to the power of association, and they were 'slaves to association.' When they heard certain sequences of sound, or when they beheld certain forms of beauty, they felt something of past ideas coming over them; their minds were taken far from present scenes, and they were taken back to early childhood or to their early manhood. So it often came to pass that the sound of the church-going bell awakens in the human soul many an

appeal that has been for its health and good; many a recollection of other days of teaching that had been, till then, forgotten. In the days of the Primitive Church a pass-word was used to admit persons to the services of the church, and, as time went on, other signals were given in connexion with the announcement of church services. In the early days of the history of New England, and even to this day in New England, is preserved the horn that was blown for the assembly of the congregations on the Lord's Day. As time went on they had made vast improvements, and to-day it was no small thing to the old town of Yarmouth that her parish church had the full complement of twelve bells. Their sound would go forth, not only for the assembling of the congregation, but they would be heard in the sick-room, and would revive the thought of worship amongst God's people. When the north-west winds prevailed, he trusted that the sound of the bells would be heard over the sea by the mariner, and make him think of the things that would make for his soul's salvation. The bells would be heard in the abodes of sin, and some forgetful one on hearing them might be brought to repentance. Thus the sound of the bells had a signification to each one of them. In conclusion the preacher expressed a hope that his hearers would not neglect any voice that came to them, for *not one* was 'without signification.'

At the conclusion of the service Mr. Haydon Hare played the National Anthem in honour of the Queen's birthday and of the special occasion. Immediately after the service another service of a dedicatory character was held in the belfry, which on the present occasion accommodated about 100 persons, including ringers and choir. This service was conducted by the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, secretary of the Norwich Diocesan Society of Bell-ringers, and was of short duration, the fine old hymn, 'All nations that on earth do dwell,' and a short peal rung on the augmented installation of bells, concluding the proceedings.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford.

At Wolverhampton, on Saturday, June 18th, in the belfry of St. Peter's Church, on handbells retained in hand, J. E. Groves' Variation of Parker's Twelve-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 19 mins.

Herbert Knight* .. 1-2 | James E. Groves (condr.) 5-6
George Burrows* .. 3-4 | Robert Pickering* .. 7-8

Referee, F. Jones, who ticked off each call. This is the first handbell peal rung in Wolverhampton by members of above Society. [* First peal on handbells.]

At St. Peter's, Wolverhampton, on Monday, June 20th, N. J. Pitstow's Variation of Thurstan's Original peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

Hugh J. Balcombe* .. 1 | John Jagger (conductor) .. 5
George Burrows* .. 2 | Aaron Griffiths† .. 6
Robert Pickering* .. 3 | James E. Groves .. 7
Herbert Knight .. 4 | Isaac Purser* .. 8

This is the first peal on the method ever rang by the local band, the first peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES on the bells, and was rung to commemorate the sixty-first year of H.M. the Queen's reign. [† First peal in the method. † First peal of STEDMAN away from the tenor.]

STUDLAND, DORSET.—The bells of the parish church, which for many years have not been rung owing to being cracked, were on a recent Wednesday, rededicated after being recast, the old inscriptions and dates being preserved. The service, at three o'clock, was taken by the Archdeacon of Dorset, and was largely attended by the parishioners and friends from a distance. The total cost of the work was 106*l*. The offertory at the dedication service amounted to 6*l* 5*s*, leaving a balance of about 10*l* still to be collected. The work of recasting and rehanging has been efficiently carried out by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank.

FLAMBOROUGH, YORKS.—We hear that the bells will be hung in the new tower of the church and consecrated on St. Matthew's Day, most probably by the Bishop of Beverley. The debt on the new tower has been paid, thanks being largely due to the generosity of Miss Cotterell Dormer.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on July 12th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on July 13th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on July 15th.
Royal Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on July 15th.
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on July 13th.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the kind invitation of Miss Macalpine Leny, the following fourteen members of the above Society spent a most enjoyable day on July 2nd, viz., Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, Cockerill, Dawe, Haworth, Horrex, Hughes, McLaughlin, Newton, Pettit, Prime, Springall, Winney, Wise, and Wood. The meeting-time was 8.15 a.m. at Cannon Street, where all turned up in time to catch the 8.28 train, and in due course the party arrived safely at Tunbridge Wells. Here Miss Leny and her sister, Mrs. McKinnon, had been waiting over half an hour with a well-appointed four-horse brake, supplied by the Southborough, Tunbridge Wells, and District Omnibus Company, in the charge of Mr. Spittles and the inimitable Walter J. Clark. All safely mounted, Tunbridge Wells was left behind, and a lovely drive through Buckhurst Park (the seat of Earl de la Warr), with its rich masses of beech-trees, brought the 'Youths' on their way to their rendezvous, ten miles distant, locally known as Jack's Lap, a famous wooded height in north-east Sussex. Here, with the aid of field-glasses, fine views were obtained of the smiling country around, the tower of East Grinstead being specially prominent. Luncheon, also on Jack's Lap, occupied a considerable time, and then touches on the handbells and more admiration of the scenery provided from this vantage-ground were resorted to. The Society's photographer, Mr. F. E. Dawe, by means of his camera also endeavoured to preserve the appearance of the party for future inspection and pleasure.

After another short drive, Jill's Lap, which much resembles the foregoing, was reached, and after a brief stay for a touch on the handbells, the return journey was commenced. Leaving Buckhurst Park on the right, the road led through the village of Withyham, where is a church dedicated to St. Michael, with its famous Sackville Chapel, but time did not permit of a stay to visit this Early English building, which was severely damaged by a terrible storm of lightning and thunder on June 16th, 1863.

A halt was made at Groombridge Place for tea, to which the party had been invited by the Misses Saint. This picturesque house, built of brick and surrounded by a moat, stands amidst lovely scenery and in the centre of well-kept grounds and trim gardens. After the battle of Agincourt, in 1415, Groombridge became historical as the place where the Duke of Orleans was detained a prisoner for twenty-five years by Sir Richard Waller, his captor in that battle, to whom he was yielded by King Henry V. An ancient wall, supplied with massive buttresses, shows how recreation and exercise were indulged in 400 years ago, in the shape of hand-tennis, which gave birth to the modern game of 'fives.' Numbers of storks and peacocks roam about at will, and the loud cries of the latter gave evidence that something out of the ordinary routine had happened, but this was kindly construed by Miss Saint as their way of showing welcome to their domains. Those members of the party who had not before visited Groombridge were shown through the rooms, and general surprise and admiration were expressed at the fine oak panelling and pictures. Touches were again rung on the handbells, photographs of the gardens and house taken, and after heartily thanking the Misses Saint for their kind hospitality, a move was made to Speldhurst Rectory, which was reached at 6.40.

After a refreshing wash and brush up, the dinner-bell gave notice of other good things in the Rectory dining-room, and dessert was partaken of in the shape of strawberries and cream on the lawn, while the bells of the Church of St. Mary discoursed a 504 of STEPMAN TRIPLES, being manipulated by Mr. A. E. Edwards of the local band, and Messrs. Buckingham, McLaughlin, Pettit, Springall, Winney, Wise, and Wood. Amongst the listeners was the Rector, the Rev. A. McKinnon, who showed himself to be an able critic on the quality of striking.

The old Church of Speldhurst was built by the Duke of Orleans, and was, on its destruction by a thunderstorm, replaced by the present building in 1791. A stone inserted in the south porch bears the armorial bearings of the Duke, and was removed from the old porch.

Shortly after nine o'clock the brake was again brought into requisition to convey the party to Tunbridge Wells station. Here sincere thanks were accorded Miss Leny and Mrs. McKinnon for their great kindness in arranging and providing everything for the day's enjoyment, which had been one of unalloyed pleasure throughout. Good-byes having been said, all were aboard a train 'London only' at 10.20, and Cannon Street was reached at 11.40. Here the party dissolved, and, looking over the names of the fourteen, and knowing where they live, it may be truly said that in a very short time they were scattered far and wide.

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Hitchin Parish Church Bells.

CHAUNCEY, the historian, says that in his time Hitchin Parish Church had 'a deep ring of six bells cast in the year 1689.' It would be interesting to know what became of those bells when they were replaced by the present peal of eight bells, seven of which were cast in the year 1762, while the eighth was cast in 1784.

The eight bells in the tower of Hitchin Parish Church have the following inscriptions. The first and second—

'At proper times my voice I'll raise,
 And sound to my subscribers' praise.—September 24th, 1762.'

It was then evidently considered as meritorious an act to present a bell to the church as it is now to present a window. The third and seventh have merely the names of the vicar and churchwardens at the time of the hanging of the bells. The fourth has—

'We the sacred nuptial tie joyous proclaim,
 And every sound and every varied peal
 Calls smiles of transport from the happy pair.—A.D. 1762.'

The third has a Latin sentence, translated as follows:—'I praise the true God; I summon the common people; I assemble the clergy; I lament the dead; I repel pestilence; I adorn the feast.' The sixth:—'Joseph Bayre, St. Neots, cast us all eight, 1762. *Omnia faciuntur ad gloriam Dei.* Let all things be done to the glory of God.' The eighth shows that the inscription on the sixth bell is not quite accurate, for it has the following:—

'I to the church the living call,
 And to the grave do summon all.
 REV. T. P. MORGAN, Vicar.
 WM. CHAPMAN,
 WM. POWERS, } Churchwardens.
 THOS. GOODMAN,
 EDWARD ARNOLD, St. Neots, fecit, 1784.'

The inscription on the fifth bell ascribes to the musical tones evoked from it the power of driving away evil spirits which were supposed to cause pestilences—a notion we should not credit in this day.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Society of Royal Cumberland Youths.

At Christ Church, Southgate, on June 27th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLE, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

Alfred R. Glascock *	1	John Miller	5
Sidney Wade (conductor) †	2	Isaac J. Attwater	6
John Sumpter	3	Arthur Miller	7
William J. Dell	4	John Howard	8

[* First peal. † First peal as conductor.]

The Essex County Association.

At St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on June 28th, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 changes, in 3 hrs. 25 mins. Tenor, 19 cwt.

William B. Manning	1	Charles Hopkins	6
Robt. J. Maynard	2	James Cullen*	7
George Grimwade	3	William H. Freeman	8
Charles S. Burden	4	Frederick A. Nunn	9
Thomas Maynard	5	Thomas Watson	10

Composed by John Reeves. Conducted by Frederick A. Nunn.
 [* First peal of CATERS].

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 676.)

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

AT St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on June 4th, a peal of **GRANDSIRE** **CATERS**, 5003 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 19 cwt.

William Coakham ..	1	William Pye ..	6
William D. Smith ..	2	William H. Freeman ..	7
William E. Garrard ..	3	William R. Pinsent ..	8
William B. Manning ..	4	William T. Cockerill ..	9
William H. Dallimore ..	5	William Crockford ..	10

Composed by William T. Elson. Conducted by William Pye. This is believed to be the only peal of **CATERS** rung in which all the performers have had the same Christian name. It is also interesting to note that the Vicar and Churchwardens have the same Christian name, viz., the Rev. William H. Langhorne, vicar; William Shurmur, Esq., and William M. Beck, Esq., churchwardens.

The Sussex County Association.

AT St. Andrew's, Steyning, on July 2nd, a peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES** (Thurstans' Four-part, reversed), 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 56 mins.

John S. Goldsmith ..	1	Arthur Gatland ..	5
John Smart ..	2	Keith Hart ..	6
A. Lawrence (Swindon) ..	3	G. Williams (conductor) ..	7
George Gatland ..	4	Solomon Turrell* ..	8

[* First peal.]

The Chester Diocesan Guild.

WIRRAL BRANCH.—At St. Saviour's Parish Church, Oxtou, on June 23rd, a date touch of **MINOR** in six methods, being 360 of **DOUBLE BOB**, **COLLEGE SINGLE**, **OXFORD SINGLE**, **CANTERBURY**, **PLAIN BOB**, and ninety-eight of **GRANDSIRE**, rung on the front six bells, in 1 hr. 5 mins., the first date touch in **MINOR** methods by the whole band. C. Owens, 1; J. L. Grant, 2; J. Owens, 3; W. Hughes, 4; G. R. Newton, 5; J. Hughes (conductor) 6.

KENSINGTON.—At St. Mary Abbot's, on July 3rd, for evening service, a quarter-peal of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, 1260 changes. S. Davie (first quarter-peal), 1; G. Brush, 2; A. E. Bradley, 3; W. E. Judd (first quarter-peal as conductor), 4; J. George, 5; W. E. Garrard, 6; W. Fox, 7; H. Wilson, 8.

EXETER.—By invitation of the Bishop of Exeter, about 460 Devonshire bell-ringers spent a most enjoyable day at the Palace last week. The Bishop referred to the fact of the old ringer from Paignton, who had rung for sixty-five years, and who rang at the Queen's Accession, being present, and also alluded to the presence of a ringer from Walkhampton, who had rung for nearly fifty years. The company attended service in the Cathedral, and peals were afterwards rung on the bells.

CROWLAND.—During the ringing of the Abbey bells, on June 15th, a stone from the superstructure of the building became detached, falling in most dangerous proximity to a workman engaged on the restoration works.

STOCKTON.—On June 20th the four bells which are to be added to the present ring of six in Stockton Parish Church, as a memorial of Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, were taken from the goods station to the church, and there placed in the belfry. The Rev. H. Martin, M.A., vicar of Stockton, read two special prayers in the church, but the dedication service will not take place till the bells are hung.

OLD CHESTERTON, CAMBRIDGE.—For the next few Sundays the bells of the old church at Chesterton will not ring. The cause of this is that the belfry is being restored and the bells rehung. Services will be continued as usual.

*Correspondence.**THE FOOD BEVERAGE FOR SUMMER.*

To the Editor of 'Church Bells.'

SIR,—Summer is upon us. Men, women, and children will, in pursuit of pleasure and recreation, make unwonted exertions, and I think the few words of warning and advice given at this season last year, and which were so generally adopted, can be repeated to advantage.

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HIGHWORTH, WILTS.—The removal of the bells from the tower of St. Michael's Church was completed on June 11th by a number of the employees of Messrs. Warner & Sons, of Cripplegate, London, under the direction of their foreman, Mr. Dunn. The incident attracted the attention of a considerable number of townspeople. The three bells to be recast are fourth, fifth, and tenor, but the whole have been taken away in order to obtain correctness of tune in the recasting of the three. An interesting examination was made of the bells, and this showed that the original peal of eight was cast in 1689 by Bagley, but that the fifth and tenor were recast by Rudhall, of Gloucester, in 1718, and the fourth by Wells, of Aldbourne, in 1766. The bells bear the following inscriptions:—1st, 'Cantate Domino Canticum Novum 1689'; 2nd, 'Henricus Bagley me fecit 1689'; 3rd, 'Henry Bagley made me 1689'; 4th, 'William Haggard and James Saunders, churchwardens, R. Wells of Aldbourne Fecit 1766'; 5th, 'Humph Marsh, James Derby. Moses Akerman, churchwardens, R 1718'; 6th, 'Henry Bagley made mee 1689'; 7th, 'John Freeman, Thomas Halls, Richard Humphreys. John Brind Churchwardens 1689'; 8th, 'Come when I call make no delay to serve God all kneel down and pray A.R. 1718.'

A WONDERFUL BELL.—The famous Chinese bell at Peking is in many respects the finest work of art in China, a product of native skill, which could not probably be duplicated by the highest ability or resources of Western foundries. It weighs sixty tons, stands fourteen feet high, with a circumference of thirty-four feet, and nearly one foot in thickness. Without a flaw or defect, it is completely covered in relief, both inside and out, with myriads of Chinese characters, each one an inch in size. They form prayerful extracts from Buddhist classics. It is one of the vagaries of Buddhism that its prayers of the faithful may be infinitely and acceptably repeated by mechanical helps, as, for instance, by revolving wheels. So, here, when the lip of this mighty and eloquent bell is moved by fitting tongue, it sounds forth in deep, sweet, prolonged and wonderful vibratory voice these prayers to Buddha, and calls, as well, all devotees to worship.

NOTICE.—In order that peals may be reported without delay, conductors should send particulars to Mr. W. T. COCKERILL, 37 Tradesant Road, South Lambeth, immediately after the events.

At the General Meeting of the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge on Tuesday afternoon, the money grants amounted to 1930l. They included votes for Church and school building in Canada, West Indies, South Africa, and Australia, six cases of Sunday-school building at home, and fourteen cases of premises hired for Sunday schools. Book grants of the value of 523l. were also given for a great variety of purposes at home and abroad, including 40l. worth of mission literature for a general mission at Wolverhampton. The Standing Committee reported the allowing of a number of grants of the value of 590l. for the training of students for medical mission work and the maintenance of medical missions in India, and gave notice that at the next (October) General Meeting, they would propose grants for the endowment of the bishopric of Guiana (500l.) and for the Kafir Industrial Institution at Keiskarna Hoek, in South Africa (1020l.).

In celebration of the fourth of July, and in furtherance of the scheme for an Anglo-American Alliance, Sir Francis and Lady Cook entertained upwards of 3000 guests at their beautiful house on Richmond Hill. In the garden, where refreshments were served, a platform was erected, at which speeches were delivered by Admiral Cole, U.S.A., Sir Francis Cook, and others. During the afternoon, an exquisite selection of vocal and instrumental music was given in the picture gallery, where the unique collection of specimens of the Old Masters was greatly admired. Lady Cook received her guests with the pleasant charm of manner which has made her so deservedly popular.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Field, to-day (July 15th).
College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on July 19th; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on July 22nd.
Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on July 20th.

Bell-ringers at Slinfold, Suffolk.

THROUGH the kind invitation of Prebendary Masters, rector of Slinfold, the members of the western division of the county Bell-ringers' Association were enabled to hold a meeting at Slinfold on Saturday, July 2nd, when an exceedingly enjoyable time was spent. There was a gratifying attendance of members from Brighton, Balcombe, Chichester, Crawley, Horsham, Midhurst, Slinfold, and Warnham. During the afternoon merry peals were rung on the six bells, and about half-past five the members, at the invitation of Prebendary Masters, sat down to an excellent meat tea at the 'Cope and Mitre.' The chair was occupied by the Rural Dean, and there were also present Canon Daniels (vicar of Horsham), and the Rev. J. W. G. Loder Cother (hon. sec.). After tea the Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting, and, these having been signed by the Chairman, a letter was read from Miss Tompkins, of Arundel, acknowledging the sympathetic vote of condolence passed by the members on the occasion of the death of her father. Canon Daniels, in discharging what he described as a very pleasing duty, moved a vote of thanks to the Rev. J. Loder Cother for his valuable services. Their Secretary, he said, had a marvellous power of organization, which was only equalled by his enthusiasm for bell-ringing. He manifested a profound interest in the Association, and the influence he exercised throughout the diocese was invaluable. Mr. Bennett seconded, and said they must do all they could to support the Secretary, so that the Association might continue to increase. The resolution having been carried, the Secretary replied, and, in doing so, remarked that from the report the Association showed a certain amount of progress. As stated by Canon Daniels, he did take a great interest in the work, more especially in the ringers and their conduct as officers of the Church.

The Evesham Bells.

THERE is a tradition that the old bells of Evesham Abbey lie buried in the Cross Churchyard. Whether this is so or not, all who live at Evesham are proud of the bells we now have in their place. They were cast by Thomas Mears over 100 years ago, and in addition to the sweet tone which the bells cast by him always possessed, they have now been mellowed by the ringing of the many years that have passed since then. Unfortunately when the bells were last rehung the result was hardly successful, and the bells now require much labour to ring them. When these facts were brought before the Vicar's notice he determined to have the matter gone into, and finding that the firm of Messrs. Taylor & Co. were engaged on work near, he has asked Mr. John W. Taylor of that firm to examine the bells, when passing through this neighbourhood in a few weeks time. As Evesham bells, like other things in Evesham, are matters that interest many people who do not live here, it is not surprising to find that some reference has been made to them in the London press. In the *Bell News* for June 11th, there is a paragraph about them, which while for the most part incorrect, contains the following sentence, which we can heartily endorse:—'Is there no one of the inhabitants of the borough, or among the neighbouring landowners, who will initiate such a praiseworthy movement as the restoration of the bells of old Evesham Abbey? Such a work would prove an everlasting monument to those who were instrumental in carrying it out. To adequately restore these bells, and augment their number to ten, would be a work second to none among bell-restoration schemes, and would enable the borough of Evesham to boast of possessing the best ring of ten bells in the county.' All that is necessary for the services of the church is that the bells should be rung in an orderly manner for each service, and in order to make this more easy and certain, it has been proposed to place an 'Ellacombe's chiming apparatus' in the tower at a cost of 15*l.* to 20*l.* This will, moreover, facilitate the ringing of the full peal on week-days, and occasions when it may not be possible to get the whole band of ringers together; and this would seem to be all that can be expected for the congregations, as such, to provide. But for rehanging the bells and adding two or four new bells to the peal, we may fairly look for help, not only to those who appreciate the music and the science of bell-ringing, but to all who are sufficiently public-minded as to wish that the possessions we have inherited from our forefathers should be cared for, and added to, as time goes on.—*Evesham Parish Magazine.*

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Lancashire Association.

At the Parish Church, Eccles, on July 4th, T. Yates' Variation peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 54 mins. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

Arthur Barratt* 1	James Barratt 5
Philip Jackson 2	Ernest Jackson 6
Thomas Gratton† 3	Richard Ridyard (condr.) 7
John Jackson 4	Amos Trippier 8

[* First peal. † First peal of TRIPLES with a bob-bell.]

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

At St. James's, Thrapston, on July 5th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 changes, in 2 hrs. 56 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Henry Stubbs 1	James Garratt 5
William Pettitt 2	Thomas R. Hensher .. 6
William R. Hensher .. 3	Walter Perkins 7
Fred Gilbert 4	James Houghton, jun. .. 8

Composed by Arthur Knights, of Chesterfield; conducted by James Houghton, jun.

The Middlesex County Association.

At St. Saviour's, Walthamstow, on July 9th, a peal of BOB TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 16½ cwt.

A. O. D. Abrahams .. 1	W. Abraham (first peal) .. 5
F. A. Nunn 2	R. Elliott 6
F. W. J. Butler 3	G. B. Lucas (conductor) .. 7
T. H. Beams 4	Arthur T. King 8

The first peal in the method by all except the conductor.

ECTON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.—On July 2nd, 720 changes of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES in 25 mins. F. Tompkins, 1; G. W. Bayes, 2; W. Wood, 3; F. Wood, 4; T. Bayes, 5; E. Tarry, 6. Tenor, 14 cwt. Conducted by F. Tompkins, who with the brothers Wood belong to Wellingborough. The others were local men. Mr. T. Bayes, the senior ringer at Ecton, states that this was the first 720 in this method ever rung on these bells.

HILLINGDON, MIDDLESEX.—At St. Andrew's Church on July 9th, after an unsuccessful attempt for a peal, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, was rung. H. Powell, 1; H. W. Cotton, 2; G. Brush, 3; R. A. Daniell, 4; H. G. Miles, 5; A. F. Harris, 6; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 7; W. Fox, 8.

MR. JAMES GEORGE, of 55 Bath Street, Rugby, writes to say that if any of our readers could supply him with the following numbers of the *Bell News* he would be pleased to remit the cost per return: Vol. VII., Nos. 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 354; Vol. VIII., Nos. 389, 410, 412, 416, and 417.

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LAST week Lady Margaret Villiers presented the prizes at Ealing House. Girls' Home, Ealing, one of the ten institutions belonging to the National Refuges for Homeless and Destitute Children. The recipients were young women who had been trained in the Home as domestic servants, and had kept their situations, for various periods, with good character.

A CORRESPONDENT sends us the following quotation: 'The maintenance of a national Church involves the question whether the principle of religion shall be an element of our political constitution; whether the State shall be consecrated; or whether, dismissing the sanctions that appeal to the higher feelings of man, our scheme of government should degenerate into a mere system of police. I see nothing in such a result but the corruption of nations and the fall of empires.'—BEACONSFIELD.

THE Council of the Lord's Day Observance Society has addressed an appeal to the London County Council on behalf of those who have to do Sunday work on tramcars. The Committee feel that these unskilled workers, who in the present state of the labour market could easily be replaced, are entitled to the special protection of the County Council, and especially urge that efforts may be directed to securing diminished hours of Sunday labour, and a frequent recurrence of Sunday rest rather than weekly rest. The latter, in the opinion of the Council, is at best a poor substitute for the former.

THE annual meeting of the Birkbeck Building Society was held last week. The forty-seventh annual report indicated an exceedingly satisfactory development of the affairs of the Society. During the financial year ending March 31st the receipts from all sources, taken with disbursements, exhibited a turnover of 37,488,786*l.*, being an average of upwards of 10,000*l.* for every business day. The investments now exceed ten millions, the total liabilities on subscriptions and deposits also exceed ten millions, while the balance of assets in excess of liabilities amounts to 451,564*l.* The number of members who have joined during the past year is 2924. In the banking department 2116 current accounts and 7377 deposit accounts have been opened, and 12,417 new accounts, being at the rate of 1034 per month.

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THE DUBLIN COLLECTION OF KYRIES. Edited by William H. Smart, Mus. B.—BENEDICTUS. By J. T. Field.—LEAVE THE WORLD AWHILE. Lenten Hymn. Words by H. G. Rosedale, B.D. Music by William S. Vinning, Mus. B.—SIX TWO-PART SONGS. Words by E. Oxenford. Music by Frank Merrick, Mus. D. (Composers' and Authors' Press, Limited.)—The collection of *Kyries* comprises twenty very meritorious settings, composed, by the Editor and others, specially for the work. The *Benedictus* is set by Mr. Field to a very good original double chant, in unison, with suitably varied accompaniments, well written, for the organ. Mr. Vinning's hymn consists of four verses, each with its own separate and appropriate tune, partly in unison and partly in four-part harmony. The treble and alto choral duets of Dr. Merrick, entitled respectively, 'Hail to the Morn,' 'The Hour of Eve,' 'Blow, Whispering Winds,' 'The Leaves now Fall,' 'Come, Joyous Elves,' and 'Tis the Merry Springtime,' have each their special character and charm. Written with evident experience for vocal effect, they should not prove difficult to learn, whilst the pianoforte accompaniment of each is very striking, and adds much to the general result.

MORNING SERVICE. In C. By H. M. Brickdale-Corbett. (Weekes & Co.)—The *Venite, Te Deum*, and *Benedictus* are here set chant-wise in a simple and dignified manner, and added effect is gained from a sufficiently varied accompaniment.

THE OFFICE FOR THE HOLY COMMUNION. In E flat. By Nicholas Storey. (Novello & Co.)—A simple four-part setting, including music for the *Benedictus qui Venit* and *Agnus Dei*.

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REMINISCENCE. Song. Words by Ada Radford. Music by William S. Vinning.—BIRDS IN THEIR NESTS. Lullaby. Words from *Pearson's Weekly*. Music by J. T. Field.—CADETS' MARCH. Piano Duet. By Frank Merrick, jun.—FRÜHLINGSWEBEN. For Pianoforte. By Carl Pauliowski.—The first of the songs is 'composed throughout,' as the Germans describe a song of which each verse has its own music. The use of the higher artistic form is here justified by the excellence of the music, which is well laid out for voice and instrument. It can especially be recommended to tenor vocalists on the look-out for a song with a not too extensive upward compass. The attention of Mezzo-Sopranos may in like manner be directed to the Lullaby, in which the pretty and graceful words are allied to quite worthy music in every way. The March is a tuneful duet containing considerable spirit, and should make an excellent school-piece. Mr. Pauliowski's composition is a successful specimen of the *valse de salon* order, of moderate difficulty, but requiring a careful player.

H. R.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

The St. James's Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on July 25th.
The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Paul's Cathedral, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on July 26th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on July 27th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on July 29th.
Royal Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on July 29th.
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on July 27th.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild of Ringers.

On Monday, July 4th, the annual festival of the Winchester Diocesan Guild was held at York Town, the annual meeting taking place in the new Volunteer Drill Hall under the presidency of Mr. J. P. Stilwell, Yateley. There was a large attendance, members being present from Alton, Basingstoke, Bournemouth, Christchurch, Ewhurst, Fareham, Farnham (Messrs. F. A. Barnett, C. Fry, and H. Garfath), Guildford (Mr. J. J. Jones), Hambledon, Hawley, Hursley, Oakley, Privett, Portsea, Romsey, Shalford, Swanmore, Titchfield, Wickham, Yateley, and York Town, and unattached members from Reading and surrounding neighbourhood. The annual report for 1897-8 first dealt with the annual festival at Romsey last year, and then stated that

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quarterly meetings had been held with success at Shere, Andover, and Alresford during the past year. District meetings had taken place at Bournemouth, Christchurch, Havant, Dorking, Leatherhead, Curdridge, Wickham, Fareham, and Portsea, and with one or two exceptions had been very poorly attended. The balance-sheet for 1897 showed a slight decrease in honorary members' subscriptions (4/), while on the other hand the contributions of compounding and performing members had increased. The total of receipts was less by 1/ 10s. than during the previous twelve months. The increase of the balance in hand was largely due to the abolition of the booking of peals, and to the careful economy exercised by district secretaries. The expenses of the latter did not amount altogether to 1/. The sum of 3/ had been paid for instruction at York Town and Oakley, and the Committee would like to see a larger sum expended in this manner. In various parts of the diocese rings of bells were receiving attention. The towers affiliated to the Guild were forty-two in number—an advance of seven during the past two years. If ten more could be added to the list they would have the satisfaction of knowing that half the towers in the diocese (*i.e.*, rings of six bells and upwards) had joined their ranks. In conclusion, though they could not perhaps report progress all along the line, it might be stated that the Guild was steadily maintaining its position. The report and balance-sheet for the year ending December 31st, 1897, were adopted. The officers were unanimously re-elected, and a hearty vote of thanks accorded to them for their past services. Other business was transacted, and the next quarterly meeting was fixed for Ringwood, and the annual festival for Portsea, Bournemouth coming second in the voting. The chairman, in concluding the proceedings, thanked the Vicar and churchwardens of York Town for their kindness in receiving them, and for the excellent arrangements which had been made. Mr. T. W. Fairey responded, and heartily welcomed the Guild to York Town, expressing his pleasure at seeing so many present.

The members then proceeded to St. Michael's Church, where a special service was held. The service commenced with the singing of the hymn, 'Ring forth, holy bells,' and other hymns heartily sung were 'We meet before Thy throne,' and 'The sacred bells of England,' composed by the courteous Secretary of the Guild. An eloquent address was given by the Rev. Canon Grant, who took for his text St. John i. 19, and following verses. He said that everything ought to be as beautiful and as good as it could be for the worship of God, and let them have the most beautiful ringing that they could have. The position of bell-ringing had changed during the years since he first had anything to do with a tower and bells. And why? Because the bell-ringers themselves had changed. How careless, how bad it all was years ago, and now let them look at the gathering that day. The ringers realised that their work was for God, and that they were calling people to the house of prayer, to which they themselves came first.

Following the service, a dinner was provided in the Drill Hall by Mr. Lardner, of the Globe Inn, London Road, York Town, to which about eighty did full justice.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Worcestershire and Districts Association.

At St. Andrew's, Netherton, on July 16th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 51 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

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The Sussex County Association.

At St. Paul's, Brighton, on July 7th, a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes (Brook's Variation), in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Frank Bennett 1	Henry Stalham 5
George Williams 2	Phillip Allfrey 6
Alfred Lawrence 3	William Allfrey 7
Keith Hart 4	Frederick Hill 8

Conducted by William Allfrey. Rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. A. Lawrence, who came from Swindon, and who received the usual congratulations after this peal.

ALSO at St. Nicholas', Brighton, on July 9th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5151 changes, in 3 hrs. 28 mins. Tenor, 16½ cwt.

William Palmer 1	Keith Hart 6
Frank Bennett 2	William Roughton* 7
John S. Goldsmith 3	George Williams 8
Charles R. Lilley* 4	James N. Frossell 9
Richard Houthen* 5	Richard Fentimen 10

Composed by the late Henry Johnson, and conducted by George Williams. This composition has the 6th twenty-four courses behind the 9th in the tittums, and twenty-four courses behind the 8th in the 8-7-9 position. Mr. Roughton, who came from Kettering, was elected a member previous to starting for the peal. [*First peal of STEDMAN CATERS.]

AND at St. John-the-Baptist's, Southover, on July 12th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 17 cwt. 3 qrs. 27 lbs.

Alfred J. Turner 1	George A. King 5
Robert J. Dawe 2	Keith Hart 6
Frank Bennett 3	George Williams 7
John S. Goldsmith 4	James N. Frossell 8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow. Conducted by Keith Hart.

KENSINGTON.—At St. Mary Abbot's, on July 17th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 1259 changes, in 52 mins. G. Brush, 1; W. E. Judd, 2; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 3; H. W. Cotton (first quarter peal of CATERS), 4; G. A. Ransom, 5; A. F. Harris, 6; A. E. Bradley, 7; W. Fox, 8; J. George, 9; H. Wilson, 10.

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Correspondence.

SUMMER LANGUOR.

To the Editor of 'Church Bells.'

SIR.—In the warm summer weather when appetite fails, and languor and indolence creep over us, there is nothing more likely to destroy health and render the body liable to the attacks of disease than the pernicious habit of taking into the system excessive food. Very great care in fact is needed to prevent this being done.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day (July 29th).

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on August 2nd; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on August 5th.

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on August 3rd.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

READING BRANCH.—At St. Paul's, Wokingham, Berks, on July 16th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5038 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 17½ cwt.

Arthur W. Higgs*	.. 1	Charles Giles	.. .. 5
John Tucker*	.. 2	Henry Tucker*	.. .. 6
Alfred E. Reeves*	.. 3	Ambrose Osborne*	.. .. 7
Johnson E. Hern*	.. 4	Frank Hopgood	.. .. 8

Composed and conducted by Frank Hopgood. First peal in the method on the bells. First peal in the method as conductor, and rung at the first attempt. [*First peal of DOUBLE NORWICH.]

The Essex Association.

At St. Mary's, Walthamstow, on July 16th, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 3 hrs. 28 mins. Tenor, 19 cwt.

J. Moule	.. .. 1	F. A. Nunn	.. .. 5
H. Gowers	.. .. 2	J. Mardell	.. .. 6
W. Miller	.. .. 3	E. Wightman	.. .. 7
F. C. Perrin	.. .. 4	T. H. Beams	.. .. 8

Composed and conducted by T. H. Beams. This is the first peal on eight bells by the ringers of the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 6th, and first peal conducted by T. H. Beams.

Exeter Ringers at Ashburton.

THE annual outing in connexion with the St. Sidwell's Society of Change-ringers, Exeter, took place on July 9th, when Ashburton was visited. On the downward journey a halt was made at Chudleigh to enable the party to ring on the six bells at the parish church and partake of breakfast at the Globe Hotel. At Ashburton, owing to the warmth of the weather, the visitors contented themselves with a few call-changes and a short but splendidly struck touch of STEDMAN TRIPLES on the ring of eight at the parish church. The bells go as well as ever, and it was noteworthy that the striking in the scientific method was much better than that in the old-fashioned 'churchyard bob,' showing that, when nicely mastered, half-peal ringing is the best. On the return journey a short stay was made at Bovey Tracey, where two or three six-scores of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES were rung on the anything but sweet-toned or easy-going ring of six bells at the parish church. Access to the belfry is not convenient, and the condition of the bells might be improved. On the other hand, however, the churchyard and interior of the church, where the screen is a conspicuous object, offered a picture of the utmost tidiness and order, and evoked general commendation. The weather was fine, and a most enjoyable day was spent. Before separating, the company expressed hearty thanks to the incumbents of the churches visited for permission to ring, and to Messrs. W. Drake, W. Acreman, and J. Moss, who had charge of the arrangements.

Pillaton, Cornwall.

IN aid of the restoration of Pillaton Church tower and bells a two days' *fete* was opened on July 20th in the grounds of Pentillie Castle, thrown open by Mr. W. Coryton. Of late Pillaton Church has needed a good deal of restoration, and a sum of 300*l.* is now required for placing

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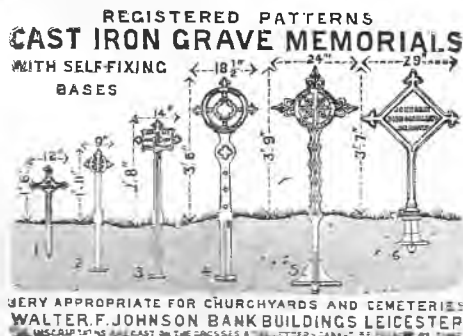
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the tower in a safe condition and acquiring bells. The 'rot,' which so damaged the seating accommodation of the church recently, is reported to have got into the woodwork, beams, and bell-frames, the latter having sunk about eighteen inches at the south-east corner of the tower, so that there is need to take prompt action in restoring the tower. Previous to the opening of the *fete* by Mrs. Coryton, Mr. Digby Collins said that for a number of years Pillaton had been under a cloud, and the parish had experienced great difficulty with respect to the restoration of the church. Mr. and Mrs. Coryton had come forward with their help in a most generous manner, and he trusted that as the result of that effort a substantial fund would be realised. Mrs. Coryton having opened the *fete*, the Rev. R. Hocking moved that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded Mr. and Mrs. Coryton, which was carried with ringing cheers. During the afternoon the Harrowbarrow Volunteer Band, under the direction of Mr. C. Philp, discoursed music on the grounds, and the various side-shows proved a valuable source of income. The entertainment, arranged by Mrs. Coryton, was much enjoyed. Throughout the day hundreds of people were present from the surrounding district. Every credit is due to the Rev. R. Hocking, rector of Pillaton, who acted as secretary, to Mr. G. Lucas (treasurer), and the hard-working Committee, who spared no efforts to make the function a success.

PRIVETT, HANTS.—At Holy Trinity Church, on July 17th, for Divine service, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. W. Trimmer, 1; F. G. Ayling, 2; W. G. Withers (London), 3; A. Baker, 4; W. Read, 5; H. E. Withers (Alton), 6; H. Sutton (conductor), 7; J. Baker, 8.

WHITSTONE, DEVON.—A party of Exeter change-ringers, comprising Messrs. J. Bastin, F. Davey, W. Goss, F. Newcombe, J. Moss, and A. W. Searle, paid an enjoyable visit to Whitstone on July 16th. The Rev. Dr. Pearson (rector) had kindly granted permission for the use of the peal of six at the parish church, and, as the bells were in excellent order, it was a great pleasure to manipulate them. Several six-scores of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES were rung, and the 'striking' throughout was very smart. Mr. C. Pearson, brother of the Rector and author of the *Ringers' Guide to the Church Bells of Devon*, as well as one of the Vice-Presidents of the Devonshire Guild of Ringers, stood in with the band, and afterwards kindly entertained the visitors at the Rectory. Another party visited Sowton and rang several touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. Thanks are due to the incumbent for the use of the bells.

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CASSELL'S MAGAZINE.—In the August issue of *Cassell's* there appears, from the pen of Mary Spencer Warren, a well-written descriptive article relating to the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland and his official residences, illustrated by photographs taken by the author. The contribution is one of general interest. Another contribution, also especially interesting, has attached to it the name of Frederick Dolman, giving a capital account of 'Ministers in their "Dens."' E. W. Hornung's 'In the Chains of Crime'—this being the third confession of a 'late prisoner of the Crown'—is quite as interesting as its predecessors, and the remaining contents of *Cassell's* are quite up to average merit.

THE WOMAN AT HOME is an interesting and varied holiday number. There is a further instalment of Mr. Crockett's serial, and a number of complete stories. The more serious reading includes an appreciation of Mr. Gladstone; a discussion of the question whether women should climb snow mountains; and a very interesting account of President Faure and Madame Faure at the Elysee. The illustrations are good and numerous, and all the usual features are continued.

The August publications of the Sunday School Institute are meritorious. The Bishop of Tasmania gives in the CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL MAGAZINE a brief, though interesting, account of Sunday-school work in his diocese, and the Rev. C. A. Goodhart's 'Outline Addresses on the Gospels' cannot but be useful. THE CHURCH WORKER and THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' COMPANION are both good numbers.

MESSRS. PARTRIDGE & Co.'s magazines for August are all good. In THE FAMILY FRIEND there is a capital illustrated article, entitled 'Round about Hastings.' There is a pathetic little sketch, 'The Little Red Shoes,' in THE FRIENDLY VISITOR. A character sketch of Miss Dorothy Drew, with picture of Mr. Gladstone and his dearly-loved grand-daughter, is given in THE CHILDREN'S FRIEND.

LITTLE FOLKS.—The August number gives a capital picture of the girl-Queen of Holland, Wilhelmina, of whom it is said in the nice article penned by Annie C. Kniper, that the late King, who died in 1890, 'quite adored his sunny little girl.' We are sure that all readers of *Little Folks* will wish Her Majesty long life and much happiness. In the same number Leslie Binger gives a pleasing account of Maud MacCarthy, one of the 'Children who Earn their Living.' Miss MacCarthy is a wonderful child-violinist.

BUBBLES, the magazine for children, commences a new volume with its August number. It contains sixteen full-page coloured pictures, and a serial for boys and girls who have attained to the dignity of reading a 'continued story.' The Rev. Theodore Wood talks of house-flies, of fish, of beasts and birds—commonplace things with romantic and often almost unbelievable histories and habits. 'Star Studies' are a good feature. There are wonderful tales of how the other half lives, and of how Dr. Barnardo's Homes give that other half a chance. There is a prize-list, and a long one, and there are many other features.

ALSO RECEIVED:—LIGHT IN THE HOME, THE CHILD'S COMPANION, OUR LITTLE DOTS, THE COTTAGER AND ARTISAN. The article on 'Rules of Domestic Happiness' is well worth reading and preserving.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

The St. James's Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on August 8th.
The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on August 9th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on August 10th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on August 12th.

Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on August 12th.
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on August 10th.

The St. James's Society, London.

MEMBERS are specially requested to attend the meeting on Monday next, August 8th, to receive the report of the auditors and elect officers for the ensuing year.

R. A. DANIELL, *Hon. Secretary.*

Dedication of the New Bells at All Saints', Standon.

ON July 16th, the Right Rev. the Bishop of Shrewsbury dedicated, in the Parish Church, two new bells, as a gift from the parish and friends in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

The commemoration service took place at three o'clock. A procession was formed at the Rectory, of the Bishop of Shrewsbury, the Rev. Preb. Allen, R.D., the Revs. J. Fletcher, J. B. Hazard, O.C. Selby Lowndes, J. D. Glennie, J. A. Sorby, J. A. Bradley, and the Rector (Rev. E. Salt), and Messrs. Jefson and Swift, churchwardens, which met the choir at the church door. The bells at the dedication service were formally handed over to the Bishop by the churchwardens, who gave them in charge to the Rector and churchwardens for the use of church and parish. A small sanctus bell was also dedicated, which has been placed in a turret by the chancel. The Bishop gave an admirable address on the Queen's great reign, and practical lessons from the use of church bells.

After service, a parish tea was given in the schools, followed by a garden party at the Rectory.

The new bells, which were from Messrs. Barwell's Foundry, Birmingham, have on each the words: 'A gift from the parish and friends to commemorate the Queen's sixty years' reign,' and 'Praise and glory to God.' By recasting the old bells, an excellent ring of five bells has now been put up, which may be considered as good and as musical as any in the diocese. The two clock faces have been regilded, and the clock made to strike with different chimes. The expenditure, which is something over 200l., has been met by the parishioners and friends.

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 756.)

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Kent County Association.

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Penshurst, on July 23rd, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 17½ cwt.

Richard Jenner	1	John S. Goldsmith	5
Robert J. Dawe	2	George A. King	6
William Burkin	3	Jack Preston	7
Frank Bennett	4	Keith Hart	8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow and conducted by Keith Hart. [*First peal of SUPERLATIVE.]

The Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association.

At St. Mary's, Fairford, Gloucestershire, on July 23rd, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 18 cwt.

Richard White	1	Thomas Ricketts	5
Ernest Bishop	2	Frederick White	6
Alfred Lawrence	3	Rev. F. E. Robinson	7
Henry Roberts	4	Stedman White	8

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson. First 5040 on the bells.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At Holy Trinity Church, Hawley, Hants, on July 23rd, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 40 mins. Tenor, 16½ cwt.

Maurice Steer	1	Alfred E. Cousins	5
Alfred E. Reeves	2	William T. Horne	6
Henry Tucker	3	Charles Giles	7
Barzillai Hawkins	4	John Tucker	8

Conducted by Alfred E. Reeves. [*First peal in the method.]

† First peal as conductor.]

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Paul's, Brighton, on July 25th, a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, Brook's Variation, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 13 cwt.

Keith Hart	1	Henry Statham	5
Frank Bennett	2	Philip Allfrey	6
John Mulligan	3	William Allfrey (conductor)	7
George Williams	4	George Hill	8

Mr. J. Mulligan came from Sheffield, and was elected a member previous to starting for the peal.

The Central Northamptonshire Association.

At St. Peter's, Northampton, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 4 mins.

H. P. Hensman	1	A. Moore	5
H. Rainbow	2	W. Farey	6
T. Harris	3	A. O. Stewart (conductor)	7
E. H. Haxley	4	A. G. Smith	8

First peal by first three ringers and first as conductor. Smith and Hensman belong to St. Peter's; Farey, Moore, Rainbow, to All Saints'; Stewart, Haxley, and Harris, to St. Giles's. The ringers desire to thank the Vicar and churchwardens for the use of the bells. [No date sent with report.]

AYLESTONE, LEICESTERSHIRE.—At the Parish Church, on July 16th, by members of the Midland Counties' Association, 720 OXFORD BOB MINOR. W. Briggs, 1; J. Noble, 2; J. Clarke, 3; H. Briggs, 4; J. Garrett, 5; A. R. Aldham (conductor), 6. First 720 in the method on the bells.

BARRINGTON, NEAR CHELTENHAM.—On July 23rd, six of the Burford ringers had a pleasant drive to Barrington, and rang 720 GRANDSIRE MINOR. E. T. Druce, 1; H. Bond, 2; W. Shirley, 3; T. E. Glanville, 4; T. Bond, 5; W. Large (conductor), 6. Afterwards the party proceeded to Great Barrington, and rang 720 MINOR in the following order:—E. T. Druce, 1; H. Bond, 2; T. E. Glanville, 3; T. Bond, 4; W. Shirley, 5; W. Large (conductor), 6. On Sunday evening, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, was rung in 45 mins., on the bells of the parish church. J. Thorn, 1; H. Bond, 2; C. Packer, 3; T. Bond, 4; T. E. Glanville, 5; J. Monk, 6; W. Large (conductor), 7; E. T. Druce, 8. Thorn came from Longford, and Monk from Witney.

FINEDON, NORTHANTS.—Lately, the Wellingborough ringers accepted an invitation from their Finedon friends to spend an evening in ringing short 'touches' in conjunction with them. The following were accomplished: 168 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, conducted by T. R. Hensher. E. J. Dennes, 1; F. Underwood, 2; F. Wood, 3; T. R. Hensher, 4; W. H. Ette, jun., 5; E. West, 6; W. Perkins, 7; P. Manning, 8. 252 BOB TRIPLES, conducted by W. Perkins. J. T. Tompkins, 1; A. Smeathers, 2; P. Manning, 3; T. R. Hensher, 4; W. H. Ette, jun., 5; T. Abbott, 6; W. Perkins, 7; W. Wood, 8. Also 361 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, conducted by T. R. Hensher. G. M. Ette, 1; W. Wood, 2; T. R. Hensher, 3; W. Perkins, 4; E. West, 5; F. Wood, 6; J. T. Tompkins, 7; J. Seth, 8.

SHIFNAL, NEAR BIRMINGHAM.—The parish church bells, which have been entirely rehung and renovated by Messrs. Carr & Co., of Smethwick, were formally opened on July 25th, when touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES were rung. The sermon was preached by the Vicar, the Rev. J. M. Lester.

CHEW MAGNA, NEAR BRISTOL.—Last year the inhabitants of Chew Magna thought that the most fitting way to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty's reign would be to have their peal of cracked bells recast and rehung. A contract was entered into, and Bilbie's handiwork was soon cleared out of the tower. A short time since the new bells were taken to Chew Magna, and after due time were hoisted into the historic tower. And then came the announcement that the bells were ready for trial. A number of ringers assembled, and began the testing of the ropes. But it was soon found that the tower had not been consulted for this memorable occasion, and soon it was seen that if it could not have its say, it was more than determined to have its sway. Whilst the staid and steady flagstaff was evidently greatly upset at the unwonted agitation beneath, and at once attracted the attention of the bystanders below. Since that time the bells have been strangely silent. It is evident that prospective brides and bridegrooms at Chew Magna will have to dispense with wedding peals until the bells have been rehung or the tower made safe.

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CULTURE AND CHRISTIANITY.—This interesting little work is from the pen of the Rev. M. Kaufmann, rector of Ingworth, and is one of the series of 'Present-day Tracts' which are being issued by the R.T.S.

ORDINATION OF DEACONS AND PRIESTS. (C. J. Clay & Sons. 1s. 6d.)—This edition has been prepared for the Syndics of the Cambridge University Press, and is issued with the approval of the Archbishop of Canterbury. It gives the service for the Ordination at the same time of deacons and priests, in combination with the Holy Communion office.

PRIESTHOOD IN THE ENGLISH CHURCH (S.P.C.K.) 1s. is one of the most valuable of the recent publications of the Church Historical Society, being a study of the 'vindication of the Bull Apostolicæ Curæ.' It is powerfully written, and unanswerable in its arguments, which are in all cases fortified by authorities.

HEREFORD, THE CATHEDRAL AND SEE, by A. Hugh Fisher (George Bell & Sons. 1s. 6d.), is another volume of the charming Cathedral Series. The historical facts are carefully compiled, the descriptive portions are excellent, and the illustrations beyond criticism.

Magazines.

THE ANGLICAN CHURCH MAGAZINE.—The Rev. Wentworth Webster, M.A., has contributed to the August number a literary contribution of no small merit. It is entitled 'Early Christian Epitaphs,' and opens with the statement that the earliest Christian epitaph is that on the first martyr, St. Stephen, 'He fell asleep.' Another capital article is from the pen of Lady Vincent, and deals with 'Young Englishwomen on the Continent.' Lady Vincent, being President of the Girls' Friendly Council for Northern and Central Europe, wields an authoritative pen, and what she says and advises is worthy of thoughtful consideration.

THE CHURCHMAN.—Notable contributors to the August number include the Archdeacon of London, 'Testimonies to the Nature of Christ;' the Rev. J. R. Palmer, Tamworth, 'Plain Facts and Faithful Testimonies in Support of Church Defence;' and the Rev. W. Burnet, 'The Sunday Rest Movement in France.' Prebendary Reynolds is represented by a page on the subject of 'Reason, a Heaven-sent Guide to Truth.'

CHURCH MISSIONARY INTELLIGENCER.—For the August number the Archbishop of Canterbury has sanctioned the reproduction of a characteristic address delivered to the students of the London College of Divinity, on the subject of 'The Home Ministry and Foreign Missions.' The Rev. W. St. Clair Tisdall sets forth 'A Task for the Church of the Twentieth Century.' In addition to these articles the *Intelligencer* contains a vast amount of information relating to mission work generally.

THE EXPOSITOR.—In this magazine for August the Rev. Professor T. K. Cheyne, D.D., of Oxford, reconsiders 'The Promise of Sleep and two other passages,' &c. The Rev. Professor A. B. Bruce, D.D., has a fine article on 'The Easy Yoke.'

THE WIDE WORLD MAGAZINE for August is of exceptional interest, on account of the first instalment of 'The Adventures of Louis de Rougemont' which it contains. The experiences of this traveller, as told by himself, are certainly among the most remarkable and thrilling that we have ever read of, and would seem almost incredible, were it not that their accuracy is vouched for by the Editor. We are led to believe that the subsequent articles will be of an even more exciting character. 'Little Dawson's Message' is a pathetic story of a lad drowned at sea, whose last thought, as evidenced by a pencilled message on a piece of wood, subsequently found, was for his mother. 'Ice Sports in Canada' is interesting and well illustrated. 'The Cuban's Escape,' 'A Night of Horror,' and 'Above the Clouds by Railway,' are all worth reading, and there are many other attractive contents, including 'The Romance of the Mission Field.'

THE BOOKMAN gives a biographical sketch, with portrait, of Mr. E. V. Lucas in the column of 'New Writers.' Beatrice Harraden writes an appreciative memoir of Mrs. Lynn Linton, whose portrait is given. The interview with Mrs. R. L. Stevenson is full of interest, and an imaginary visit of Mrs. Nickleby to a Ladies' Club, by W. Pett Ridge, is amusingly written. Mr. Clement Shorter contributes an able review of 'Mr. Leslie Stephen's Literary Studies,' and there are notices and criticisms of all the most recent books. This excellent monthly deserves to be more widely known.

THE PHOTOGRAM is well up to the standard of excellence for which it is so justly famed. Among the principal contents are: 'Royal Photographic Society and Salon,' 'Atmospheric Effects,' 'Denmark from a Holiday Point of View,' 'Anatomy in Portraiture,' 'Photography without Lenses,' and several useful hints to photographers. The full-page picture of Strasbourg Cathedral, taken by flashlight, is a clever piece of work.

ALSO RECEIVED: THE BIBLE SOCIETY MONTHLY REPORTER (including an admirable descriptive article on 'Assam after the Earthquake'), FRIENDLY LEAVES (containing interesting information as to 'The Tea we Drink'), ON SERVICE, SUNDAY READING FOR THE YOUNG, THE DAY OF DAYS, HAND AND HEART (an exceptionally good number), and HOME WORDS.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Field, to-day (August 12th).
Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on August 17th.
College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on August 16th; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on August 19th.

Dedication of New Bells at Werrington, Launceston.

WERRINGTON was, on Monday, August 1st, *en fete* in celebration of the dedication of a new peal of bells. The special office of dedication was said by the Rev. F. Thomas, vicar. The preacher was the Rev. Canon Taylor, vicar of St. Breward. The other clergy in the chancel were the Revs. T. J. Nunn, Launceston, and J. Edser, St. Giles'. Previous to the *Te Deum* being sung, a touch of about 160 changes was given on the bells by the ringers of St. Edmund's, Exeter. Immediately after the service, a five-part peal was attempted by a second set of ringers from St. Edmund's. Tea was served in a field lent by Mr. J. C. Williams, which was followed by evensong. The preacher was the Rev. F. H. Kingdon, of Bridgerule. During the interval before and after evensong, peals were given by ringers from St. Stephen's, Petherwyn, Boyton, Whitestone, and Bridgerule.

The new peal, consisting of eight bells, will rank amongst the best in the diocese. Each bell has been cast under special conditions, so that each harmonic is in tune with the fundamental note. The bells are hung on steel girders and H frames, with iron-headed stocks and steel gudgeons. The realisation of the wish for a set of bells is due to the generosity of Mr. R. C. Coode and his family, who have given six of the bells and fittings. The parishioners and friends have subscribed the cost of the remaining two. The total cost is about 530l. The weight of the bells is 61 cwt., the tenor being 14 cwt. On each bell is inscribed the name of its donor:—Gwendolen Cotton, Harold Coode, Percival Coode, Caroline Mary Coode, Winifred Alice Coode, Richard Carlton Coode, the Parishioners, F. Thomas, vicar, and E. P. Foley and J. B. Lillecrapp, churchwardens. One line from the following verse is also inscribed on each bell:—'To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, be honour, praise, and glory given, by all on earth and all in heaven.' The two bells formerly in the tower bore respectively the names of the Right Hon. Humphrey Morrice, 1769, and Nic. Veale and Jno. Stenlake, churchwardens, 1769. The makers' name on them is J. P. & Co., 1769, probably Pennington & Co., of Stoke.

CHAFFCOMBE, YEOVIL.—In commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of the Queen, two new bells have been added in the tower of the Parish Church, making a peal of five, which have been tuned to a major key. They are of very sweet tone. The formal dedication of the new bells took place on Monday evening, August 8th, when a sermon was preached by the Ven. Archdeacon Ainslie, of Taunton.

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CONSUMPTION AND OTHER DISEASES OF THE LUNGS.

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INTERVIEW

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(This case has not been published before.)

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Hertfordshire Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, Herts, on July 28th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 51 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Walter H. S. Buckingham	1	Frank Smith	5
William H. Newell*	2	William J. S. Thorn	6
William A. Jay (first peal)	3	Herbert Martin	7
Charles R. Lilley (condr.)†	4	Harry Mansfield	8

[* First peal with a bob-bell. † First peal of TRIPLES as conductor.]

At St. Peter's, St. Albans, on August 1st, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5021 changes, in 3 hrs. 18 mins. Tenor, 22 cwt.

William Little	1	Charles George†	6
Edward Hull	2	Herbert Martin†	7
William Whitehead*	3	Arthur Hallett†	8
George N. Price†	4	W. H. L. Buckingham	9
William Oakley*	5	W. H. Buckingham*	10

Composed by the late John Cox and conducted by W. H. L. Buckingham. [* First peal of CATERS. † First peal of CATERS on tower bells. ‡ First peal of CATERS with a bob-bell.]

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Andrew's, Steyning, on July 30th, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 17 mins. Tenor, 11½ cwt.

John O. Bennett	1	Thomas J. Salter	5
George A. King	2	Frederick S. Bayley*	6
Isaac G. Shade	3	Keith Hart	7
John S. Goldsmith	4	George Williams	8

Composed by Frank Bennett and conducted by George Williams. [* First peal of LONDON SURPRISE and first peal of LONDON SURPRISE on the bells.]

Also at the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Crawley, on July 31st, a peal of LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins. Tenor, 13½ cwt.

Frederick W. Price	1	Thomas J. Salter	5
Isaac George Shade	2	John S. Goldsmith	6
John Orlando Bennett	3	Keith Hart	7
Frederick S. Bayley	4	George Williams	8

Composed by the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, and conducted by George Williams.

And at St. Margaret's, Warnham, on August 1st, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 2 hrs. 59 mins. Tenor, 14½ cwt.

Henry H. Chandler	1	John S. Goldsmith	5
Isaac G. Shade	2	Thomas J. Salter	6
Robert S. Cherriman	3	Keith Hart	7
John O. Bennett	4	George Williams	8

Composed by Henry Dains, and conducted by George Williams. This was the first peal of SUPERLATIVE on this new ring of eight, cast by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank.

The Oxford Diocesan Guild.

At the Parish Church, Drayton, on August 2nd, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 45 mins.

Richard White	1	John W. Whiting	5
John Tucker	2	Edgar Humfrey	6
Alfred E. Reeves	3	Rev. F. E. Robinson	7
Frank Bennett	4	Henry Hyde	8

Conducted by the Rev. F. E. Robinson.

The Lancashire Association.

At Manchester Cathedral, on August 3rd, a peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5076 changes, in 3 hrs. 19 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

James Gratrix	1	Edmund Hewitt	6
Alfred Wilson	2	Walter Brown	7
Robert Davies*	3	George F. Woodhouse	8
William Pyle*	4	John Eachus	9
Ralph Ravenscroft	5	Thomas Rushton	10

Composed by Arthur Knights and conducted by John Eachus. [* First peal of CATERS.]

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NOTICE.—In order that peals may be reported without delay, conductors should send particulars to Mr. W. T. COCKEBILL, 37 Tradescant Road, South Lambeth, immediately after the events.

Correspondence.

THE CAUSE OF JADEDNESS IN SUMMER.

To the Editor of 'Church Bells.'

SIR,—In face of scientific facts, how many people sit down to breakfast in the summer months and drink tea and coffee—an utterly unscientific practice in itself—and follow this up by partaking of a more or less quantity of flesh food.

Just think for a moment.

The injurious effects of frequent indulgence in tea are well-known; and coffee, usually used as a means of keeping people awake, is commonly seen on the breakfast table at an hour when people certainly require no waking up! It is simply compelling the stomach to digest food which the system does not require, and which it cannot get rid of.

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It is at this season, too, that families on pleasure bent are more liable to overlook such facts as the above, with the result that, what should have been a holiday and a release from business worries, is simply made an excuse for over filling the body with unsuitable food, the severe effects of which make themselves felt at a time when health and vigour should, if the natural laws of health had been studied a little, have been firmly established.

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Meetings for Practice.

The St. James's Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on August 22nd.

The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Paul's Cathedral and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on August 23rd; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on August 24th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on August 26th.

Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on August 26th.

The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on August 24th.

Sussex Association's Visit to Midhurst.

ON Monday, August 1st, about forty members of the Sussex County Association of Church Bell-ringers spent a very enjoyable time in the neighbourhood of Midhurst. Representatives were present from the following places:—Arundel, Brighton (St. Nicholas and St. Peter's), Chichester, Crawley, Goring, Hastings (Blacklands), Horley, Horsham, Lyminster, Midhurst, Pevensey, Shoreham, Southover, Steyning, and West Tarring. In the morning, by kind permission of the Vicar of Midhurst (the Rev. S. M. Campbell) and the churchwardens (Mr. Francis Broadwood and Mr. C. Spring), touches of KENT, CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE, GRANDSIRE DOUBLES and PLAIN BOB were rung on the Parish Church bells. Subsequently, at the invitation of Midhurst bell-ringers and a few friends, the visitors sat down, in the New Inn Club Room, to a capital dinner supplied by Mr. H. C. Moore. The Rev. J. W. G. Loder-Cotter (of Yapton), Hon. Secretary to the Association, presided, and he was supported by the Rev. C. D. P. Davies (North Marden), Mr. Broadwood, Mr. Spring, and Mr. Werry (organist of Midhurst). Mr. A. B. Bennett (Midhurst) was in the vice-chair, and among those also present were Mr. Tompkins, Chichester (Hon. Treasurer of the Association), Mr. George Williams, Brighton (one of the District Secretaries), Mr. I. G. Shade (London), and Mr. Bennett and Mr. Salter of Kidderminster.—After the meal, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies proposed 'The health of the Vicar and Churchwardens of Midhurst,' whom he thanked, on behalf of those present, for allowing the use of the bells.—Mr. Broadwood suitably acknowledged the compliment, the Vicar being unable to be present owing to absence on his annual holiday.—The Chairman then thanked the Midhurst ringers and their friends for their kind hospitality. Mr. A. B. Bennett, he said, was a good friend to the local ringers, and he had been greatly instrumental in keeping together a very good band of ringers in the town. As one

who used to live in Midhurst, he (the Chairman) was only too pleased to be in a position to thank the ringers and others in the town for the kind way in which they had entertained their visitors. Mr. Loder-Cotter added that expressions of regret at inability to be present had been received from the Rev. Prebendary J. J. Masters (Slinfold), Mr. C. Tribe (Tenterden), and others.—The Vice-Chairman expressed the pleasure which it gave the Midhurst ringers and a few of their friends to entertain the company, and a hope that they might be again able to do so on a future occasion.—Before the members broke up Mr. Tompkins proposed the following resolution.—That this meeting of the members of the Sussex County Association of Church Bell-ringers desires to express its best thanks to, and to record its appreciation of, the kindness of those who have thrown open their towers to visiting bands of ringers, and hopes that such custom will always be continued.' He mentioned that on the following day (Tuesday) the Dean and Chapter of Chichester Cathedral were going to consider whether they should close the Chichester belfry to all strange ringers. If such a decision was come to it would be a very bad example to set to the rest of the diocese, but he hoped that such an action would not be taken. The custom of throwing open the towers was one that was very much appreciated by the members of the Association.—The Rev. C. D. P. Davies, who seconded, said he could see no reason why the authorities at Chichester should contemplate taking such a step, and the Chairman agreed.—The resolution was carried unanimously, and the Chairman was asked to forward a copy of it to the Dean and Chapter.—A vote of thanks was accorded the Chairman for presiding, on the proposition of Mr. Williams.—Subsequently, the members paid visits to Petworth and Pulborough, the greater number of them travelling by road in conveyances. At each place they were kindly allowed the use of the bells.

Walkden Parish Church, Lancashire.

THE congregation of this church have lately been celebrating the Jubilee of its consecration. Sermons were preached by the Rev. G. E. Body, curate of Worsley, and the Rev. John Davies, curate of Leominster. Two new bells have been dedicated by the Dean of Manchester, making a peal of eight, cast by Warner & Sons, Cripplegate, London. A new stained-glass window was unveiled by the Dowager Countess of Ellesmere, who, when Lady Brackley, laid the foundation-stone of the church, fifty-one years ago. The church was one of the good works done by the first Earl of Ellesmere, who built and endowed it. The window is the gift of the Mothers' Union, 'From the mothers at work to their sisters at rest.' The Dowager Countess of Ellesmere presented to the church a most beautiful white altar frontal, worked by her own hands. Mrs. Herbert, wife of a late vicar, presented a beautifully worked pulpit

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At the close of the Dedication Service the following were rung:—

Three hundred changes of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** by Joseph Brooks, 1; John Worthington, 2; Samuel Oakes, 3; John Denner, 4; Joseph Potter (conductor), 5; John Potter, 6; Albert Potter, 7; Albert Wallwork, 8.

A touch of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** by Joseph Brooks (Walkden), 1; James Ridyard (Worsley, conductor), 2; Peter Derbyshire (Worsley), 3; E. Hewitt (Manchester Cathedral), 4; Albert Wallwork (Pendlebury), 5; Fred Derbyshire (Worsley), 6; Joseph Ridyard (Worsley), 7; James Wilson (Pendlebury), 8.

Another touch of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** by E. Derbyshire, 1; Joseph Ireland, 2; Joseph Ridyard, 3; John Welsby, 4; Joseph Green, 5; Fred Derbyshire, 6; James Derbyshire (conductor), 7; Joseph Derbyshire, 8.

A touch of **KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR** by E. Derbyshire (Worsley), 1; Joseph Ireland (Worsley), 2; Joseph Green (Worsley), 3; John Denner (Walkden), 4; Joseph Potter (Walkden), 5; Alfred Potter (Walkden), 6; Fred Derbyshire (Worsley), 7; Joseph Ridyard (Worsley, conductor), 8.

Central Northamptonshire Association.

A QUARTERLY meeting will, by general desire of the Members and kind consent of the Rev. E. E. Law, be held at Raunds on Saturday afternoon, August 27th. Tea in the Rectory grounds at five o'clock, Evensong at the Church of St. Peter at eight o'clock. Since the Association's last visit to Raunds the spire has been partly rebuilt and the bells rehung and increased to eight. The new tenor weighs 22 cwt. 8 lbs.

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The Hertfordshire Association.

At St. Matthew's, Oxhey, Herts, on August 6th, Brooks' variation peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 9½ cwt.

Bertram Prewett* ..	1	Charles George ..	5
W. H. L. Buckingham (con.) ..	2	William G. Whitehead ..	6
George N. Price ..	3	Herbert Martin ..	7
Frank A. Smith ..	4	Arthur Lance* ..	8

[* First peal of STEDMAN.]

The Sussex County Association.

At the Church of St. John-the-Baptist, Southover, Lewes, on August 3rd, a peal of **CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 17½ cwt.

Alfred J. Turner ..	1	John S. Goldsmith ..	5
John O. Bennett ..	2	George A. King ..	6
George Williams ..	3	James N. Frossell ..	7
Thomas J. Salter ..	4	Keith Hart ..	8

Composed by C. Middleton and conducted by Keith Hart
This is A. J. Turner's fiftieth peal.

At the Church of St. Nicholas, Brighton, on August 7th, a peal of **KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 18 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt.

Richard Stredwick* ..	1	John Steddy* ..	6
George Williams ..	2	William Palmer ..	7
George A. King ..	3	Frederick W. Rice ..	8
Thomas J. Salter ..	4	James Frossell ..	9
William Steed* ..	5	Keith Hart ..	10

Composed by the late Henry Johnson, conducted by Keith Hart.

At the Church of St. Faith, Havant, on August 8th, a peal of **BOB MAJOR**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 11 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

John S. Goldsmith ..	1	John Steddy* ..	6
John O. Bennett ..	2	William Steed* ..	7
Thomas J. Salter ..	3	George Williams ..	8
George A. King ..	4	Keith Hart ..	9

Composed and conducted by George Williams. First peal of **BOB MAJOR** on the bells. [* First peal of BOB MAJOR.]

Also at Chichester Cathedral on August 8th, a peal of **CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR**, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 22 mins. Tenor, 21 cwt.

William Steed* ..	1	Thomas J. Salter ..	5
George A. King ..	2	Frederick S. Bayley ..	6
John O. Bennett ..	3	Keith Hart ..	7
John S. Goldsmith ..	4	George Williams ..	8

Composed by C. Middleton and conducted by Geo. Williams. [* First peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE.] This was also the first peal of CAMBRIDGE on the bells.

And at St. Andrew's, Steyning, on August 9th, Thurstan's Five-part peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins.

Keith Hart ..	1	John Smart ..	5
Thomas J. Salter ..	2	William J. Alliss ..	6
Josiah D. Harris ..	3	Charles Tyler ..	7
John Steddy ..	4	Esau Turrell ..	8

Conducted by Charles Tyler.

WELLINGBOROUGH, NORTHANTS.—Recently, for Divine service, on Sunday morning, 504 **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**. E. J. Dennes, 1; F. J. Tompkins, 2; W. Wood, 3; F. Underwood, 4; W. H. Ette, jun., 5; F. Wood, 6; W. H. Ette (conductor), 7; G. Turnell, 8. Also another 504 with F. J. Tompkins ringing the tenor. For practice, on August 8th, a quarter-peal of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, in 51 mins. G. Turnell, 1; F. Underwood, 2; F. Wood, 3; T. R. Hensher, 4; W. H. Ette, 5; E. West, 6; W. Wood, 7; J. Craddock, 8. Tenor, 30 cwt. Composed by James George, of Rugby, and conducted by T. R. Hensher. On the occasion of the marriage of Miss M. G. Parker to Mr. C. H. Davis, at the Parish Church, by the Rev. L. T. Jones, vicar of Peterborough, on August 11th, 574 **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** (being part of a quarter-peal composed by the Rev. E. W. Carpenter). E. J. Dennes, 1; G. Turnell, 2; F. Wood, 3; F. Underwood, 4; W. Wood, 5; E. West, 6; T. R. Hensher (conductor), 7; J. Craddock, 8. The father of the bridegroom resided in Wellingborough for many years, and held the office of churchwarden as far back as 1863, when the old six bells were rehung. Mr. J. T. Parker was parish warden when the peal was increased to eight in the year 1884.

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THE MESSAGES TO THE SEVEN CHURCHES OF ASIA. By the Rev. G. O. L. Thomson, M.A. (Longmans, Green, & Co. 2s.)—This is a course of six sermons preached in Holy Trinity Church, Taunton, during Lent, 1898, and published by request of the congregation. The Seven Messages are compressed into six sermons to suit the Sundays in Lent. The sermons show considerable knowledge of the history and position of the Seven Churches, and will be found both practical and interesting.

THE HOPE OF THE WORLD, and other Poems, by William Watson (John Lane. 3s. 6d.), is a small volume of thin verse. The poem which gives its title to the book is one of Mr. Watson's somewhat agnostic conceptions. Judging from what he says, he apparently attributes man's present position to a kind of stroke of luck:—

'Rather, some random throw
Of heedless Nature's die
'Twould seem, that from so low
Hath lifted man so high.'

'The Unknown God' is even more a wail of despair. Some of the sonnets are charming. Take the 'Ode to May':—

'What is so sweet and dear
As a prosperous morn in May.'

But the rather bombastic verses addressed to Hellas 'on the eve of the war' seem sadly out of place in the volume, and might well have been omitted.

THE PRESENT STATE OF THE CHURCH. By the Lord Bishop of Hereford. (Rivingtons. 1s.)—This is the Bishop's charge to the clergy and churchwardens of his diocese at his primary visitation in the spring of this year. It deals with the general state of Church work in the diocese, the moral conditions of the parishes, the work of the schools and other Church organizations. His Lordship also deals with the burning questions of Ritual, Marriage, Confession, Holy Communion, and Discipline in the Church. The charge, which is a lengthy one, was delivered at five visitations in different parts of the diocese.

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Magazine.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: at St. Martin-in-the-Field, to-day (August 26th).
Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on August 31st.
College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on August 30th; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on September 2nd.
St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on September 1st.

Belfry Rules at Brushford.

SIR,—The following interesting lines may be seen in Brushford Parish Church. The edifice is dedicated to St. Mary Magdalene, and is a fifteenth-century building, containing a fine old Norman font. Brushford is in Somersetshire, nearly two miles from Dulverton, and must not be confounded with its namesake, Brushford, in the county of Devon—situated upon the north bank of the rippling Taw—just three miles from Winkleigh. This latter church is dedicated—like about two thousand one hundred and twenty other of our mediæval parish churches—to the sole honour of St. Mary. The following is the notice just as I have copied it:—

'RULES, ORDERS, AND REGULATIONS of the Belfry of Brushford, 7th day of June, 1803, by the joint consent of the Ringers and Robert Gooding, Churchwarden.

'Let awful silence first proclaimed be!
Next let us praise the Holy Trinity,
Then homage pay unto our valiant King,
And with a blessing raise the pleasant ring.
Hark, now the chirping treble rings it clear,
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INTERVIEW

With **MR. RICHARD GERRY,** Muckworthy, Brandis Corner, North Devon, November, 1897.

The Rev. T. Yauldren, Baptist Minister of Beaworthy, advised the parents of the child Annie Gerry, to place themselves in communication with Mr. Congreve. Mr. Yauldren has removed to Samsley, Wilts., but the good results of his advice are still to be seen in the neighbourhood he has left.

'I am bound to say that Annie Gerry, of Muckworthy, appears to be quite well. Mrs. Gerry speaks in the highest terms of your treatment,' so says Mr. Yauldren in a letter dated January 31st, 1895, and this is the feeling of the parents to-day.

During the course of a chat I had with the father recently, he told me:—
'Three years ago, when my daughter Annie was eleven years of age, she was very ill. She suffered with a cough, expectoration—some spitting of blood, and very bad night sweats. She was confined to bed, and was so weak that she could scarcely move. We had local treatment for a month or two, but she didn't get any better. Mr. Yauldren who was then our minister, filled up a form for us and I sent it to Mr. Congreve. In two days after she began taking his medicine we thought we could see some signs of improvement in her. In a fortnight she was able to get up; and at the end of three months she was well again. The medicine certainly did her an immense amount of good; for when she started it she was in such a condition that she couldn't have lived very long. We consider hers a wonderful cure. From that time she has kept well, and she looks healthy and strong. She has been out at service over a year, and is getting along nicely with her work.'

I have Mr. Gerry's full permission to make these facts public.

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What laws are best to keep sobriety.
Then all consent to make this joint decree:—
Let him who swears, or in an angry mood
Quarrels or strikes (although he draw no blood),
Or wears his hat or spurs, or turns a bell,
Or by unskilful handling mars a peal,
Pay down a sixpence for each separate crime!
(This caution shall not be effaced by time).
But if the sexton's these defaults should be,
From him demand a double penalty.
Whoever does our Parson disrespect,
Or Warden's orders wilfully neglect,
By one and all be held in foul disgrace,
And ever banished this harmonious place.
Now round let's go with pleasure to the ear,
And pierce with pleasing sounds the yielding air,
And when the bells are up, then let us sing,
"God save the Church and bless great George our King."

Fair Park, Exeter, August 19th, 1898.

HARRY HEMS.

The Church Bells at Burgh, Lincolnshire.

Two new bells have been presented to Burgh Church by Dr. Walls, churchwarden and lay reader. By this addition the church is now possessed of a peal of eight, which are perhaps as fine as any in the diocese. The inscription on the first bell is:

'Life-giving Spirit o'er us move,
As on the formless deep;
Give life and order, light and love,
Where now is death or sleep.'

On the second are the words:

'Age to age, and shore to shore,
Praise Him, praise Him, evermore.'

Both are described as 'The gift of Charles Walls, Physician [and Warden, 1898. D. J. White, Vicar.'

The inscriptions on the older bells are as follows:

3rd, 'John Dawson, Churchwarden, gave this Bell, 1868. To the glory of God, for the use of His Church. O come, let us sing unto the Lord.'

4th, 'We praise Thee, O God. 1863.'

5th, 'Wm. Harrison, Founder, Barrow. 1820.'

6th, 'I sweetly calling men do call, to taste on meats that feed the soul. 1616.'

7th, 'Wm. Paulett chimed so well, he paid for casting of this Bell. John Krine, 1589.'

8th, 'Learn of John Holden, all good Christian people,
Who gave this Bell to grace this Church Steeple. 1616.'

Ting-tang. 'Jesus be our speed. 1633.'

The dedication of the new bells took place on Tuesday, August 16th. After a celebration of Holy Communion at eight o'clock, the bells were rung at intervals during the day, and in the afternoon a large party assembled for tea in the schoolroom at the invitation of Dr. Walls, and afterwards spent some time in his garden. At half-past seven, a service was held and consisted of shortened evensong, and a form of dedication approved by the Bishop, who kindly wrote regretting his inability to be present. In his absence, the service was conducted by the Rev. D. J. White, vicar of Burgh and rural dean. A special lesson was read by Dr. Walls, and an eloquent sermon was preached by Canon Disbrowe, rector of Benington. The congregation was a large one, and the day will long be remembered by the parishioners, who take a deep interest in all things connected with their parish church.

The Bells of St. Peter's, Bournemouth.

'A CHURCHMAN (not of St. Peter's),' writes:—'A letter which recently appeared in the Bournemouth Observer has been freely used in quotation in other newspapers, and notably in a journal exclusively devoted to the subject of campanology. It seems to me to reflect unduly on the meritorious work of the St. Peter's ringers. I admit that in some respects they are handicapped by the bells upon which they have to operate. They are harsh, and no one now living will see them toned down to the mellowness which time alone can bring to wine, and bells, and many other good things. I am told this condition has been so far recognised by the powers that be, that muffling shutters have been recently adopted, with a view to correcting the admitted blemish. But I think that the general work of the ringers deserves commendation, and a much larger measure of encouragement than has hitherto been accorded them. If this latter were supplied, better results could be expected. The work of the ringers is voluntary, it entails much labour and self-sacrifice, yet for years it has been readily undertaken for the glory of God and the elevation of His House. It is seldom that the bells are rung on occasions which provide for the ringers any remuneration at all. Let me point out how funds could be usefully employed in this matter, and I think it will be admitted they ought to be readily forthcoming. 1st, by paying for a certain amount of expert training. 2nd, by providing for the ringers having more frequent opportunity of intercourse with other ringers at Bournemouth and elsewhere. 3rd, by giving to the ringers some pecuniary recompense for time spent which, in most cases, could be profitably employed in other ways. In these ways, as well as by the implied sense of public interest in their work, the ringers would be encouraged to greater endeavours which, at their own expense, it is too much to expect them to undertake. I shall be glad to hear of this question receiving further and immediate attention.'

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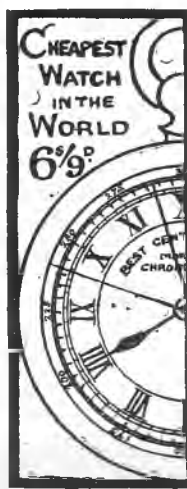
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Three Peals of Bob Royal.

By Wm. WILLSON, Leicester.

5000

2	3	4	5	6	W	M	H			
4	2	6	3	5	-	-	-			
2	6	4	3	5	bobbs at 1	2	3	4	5	6
3	2	4	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	6	3	2	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	4	3	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	6	2	4	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	3	2	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	2	4	3	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	5	4	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
4	2	3	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	4	3	2	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	5	3	4	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	4	2	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	2	4	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	-

The last part twice repeated, calling bob at first part-end.

The last part used as a four-part peal will run to 5040.

5040

2	3	4	5	6	W	M	H
6	4	2	3	5	-	-	-
3	6	2	4	5	-	-	-
4	3	2	6	5	-	-	-
2	6	4	3	5	-	-	-
3	2	4	6	5	-	-	-
4	6	3	2	5	-	-	-
2	4	3	6	5	-	-	-

Three times repeated, calling single for bob wrong, first course of 2nd and 4th parts.

5040

2	3	4	5	6	W	M	H
4	2	6	3	5	-	-	-
3	4	6	2	5	-	-	-
6	2	3	4	5	-	-	-
3	6	2	4	5	-	-	-
2	4	3	6	5	-	-	-
3	2	4	6	5	-	-	-
4	3	2	6	5	-	-	-

Three times repeated—single, midway, and end.

In these peals 5-6 are the only bells in 6th's place.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Botolph's, Heene, Worthing, on August 10th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 54 mins. Tenor, 10½ cwt.

Benjamin Bassett*	..	1	Thomas J. Salter	..	5
John O. Bennett	..	2	John Steddy*	..	6
Frank Bennett	..	3	Keith Hart	..	7
William Hillman	..	4	George Williams	..	8

Composed by H. Dains, conducted by George Williams. [* First peal of DOUBLE NORWICH.]

AND at St. Peter's, Upper Beeding, Sussex, on August 13th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 44 mins. Tenor, 8 cwt.

John Smart	..	1	George A. King	..	5
Keith Hart	..	2	George Gatland	..	6
Robert J. Dawe	..	3	John S. Goldsmith	..	7
Frank Bennett	..	4	George Williams	..	8

Composed by H. Dains, conducted by George Williams. This was the first peal of MAJOR on these bells.

The Kent County Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Erith, a peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 13 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Frederick A. Nunn	..	1	Frederick W. Thornton	..	5
Edgar Wightman	..	2	Ernest Pye	..	6
George Robert Pye	..	3	Harry Flanders	..	7
Isaac George Shade	..	4	William Pye	..	8

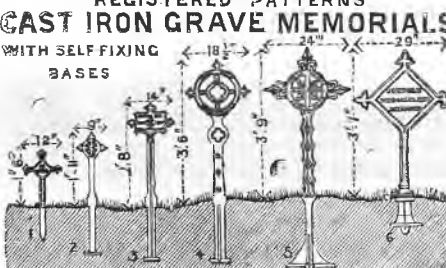
Composed by Arthur Craven, of Lincoln, and conducted by William Pye. First peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB on the bells, and by the ringers of the 1st, 3rd, 5th, 6th and 7th. Rung as a birthday compliment to William Pye, on the completion of his twenty-eighth year.

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Alfred E. Reeves	..	1	William T. Horne	..	6
Charles Giles	..	2	Charles Stone*	..	7
William J. Thomas*	..	3	William Newell	..	8
Frank Tubb	..	4	Ambrose Osborne	..	9
Frank Hopgood	..	5	Reuben Sawyer	..	10

Composed and conducted by Frank Hopgood. W. J. Thomas was elected a member of the Guild previous to starting. Rung with the bells half-muffled as a last token of respect to the late Vicar, the Rev. J. M. Guilding. [* First peal of CATERS.]

LEICESTER.—On Friday, August 12th, was rung at the residence of Mr. William Willson, 112 Berners Street, a touch of STEDMAN CATERS, containing 1026 changes, on handbells, by members of the Midland Counties Association. J. O. Lancashire, 1-2; G. Cleal, 3-4; S. Cotton, 5-6; William Willson, 7-8; J. Buttery (conductor), 9-10. Rung as a birthday compliment to William Willson, who was thirty years of age on this day.

NOTICE.—In order that peals may be reported without delay, conductors should send particulars to Mr. W. T. COCKEBILL, 37 Tradescant Road, South Lambeth, immediately after the events.

Correspondence.

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To the Editor of 'Church Bells.'

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Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on September 9th.

The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on September 7th.

Annual Outing, 1898.

Saturday, Aug. 13th.—At Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, a peal of **GRANDSIRE CATERS** (5310 changes) was brought round in 3 hrs. 20 mins.

Monday, Aug. 15th.—At Solihull, Warwickshire, a peal of **STEDMAN CATERS** (5043 changes) was brought round in 3 hrs. 25 mins.

Tuesday, Aug. 16th.—At Bromsgrove, Worcestershire, an attempt was made for a peal of **GRANDSIRE CATERS** which came to grief after 1 hr. 6 mins.

Wednesday, Aug. 17th.—At Chesterfield an attempt was made for a peal of **GRANDSIRE CATERS**, which came to grief after 40 mins.

Thursday, Aug. 18th.—At Aston, Birmingham, an attempt was made for a peal of **STEDMAN CATERS**, which came to grief after 2 hrs. 8 mins.

Friday, Aug. 19th.—At Loughborough an attempt was made for a peal of **GRANDSIRE CATERS**, which came to grief after 35 mins.

Saturday, Aug. 20th.—At Ipswich an attempt was made for a peal of **TREBLE BOB MAXIMUS** (Kent Variation), which came to grief after 45 mins, owing to the 4th rope breaking.

Monday, Aug. 22nd.—At Ipswich an attempt was made for a peal of **TREBLE BOB ROYAL** (Kent Variation), which came to grief after 3 hrs. 10 mins., when only 640 changes from home, owing to the 8th rope breaking. S. Cook, 1; J. Motts (condr.), 2; R. Hawes, 3; C. Gillingham, 4; A. E. Durrant, 5; H. Bowell, 6; W. Motts, 7; E. Pemberton, 8; R. A. Brindle, 9; A. George, 10. Tenor, 32 cwt.

Tuesday, Aug. 23rd.—At the Cathedral, Newcastle-on-Tyne, a peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES** (5040 changes) was brought round in 3 hrs. 33 mins. Tenor, 37½ cwt. This was rung after meeting short for **STEDMAN CATERS**.

Thursday, Aug. 25th.—At Stroud, Gloucestershire, a peal of **TREBLE BOB ROYAL** (5000 changes) was brought round in 3 hrs. 25 mins.

Saturday, Aug. 27th.—At Brighton, Sussex, a peal of **STEDMAN CATERS** (5006 changes) was brought round in 3 hrs. 12 mins.

Eleven peals have been attempted, five of which were successfully brought round.

Sunday, Aug. 28th.—At the residence of Mr. George Williams, Brighton, on handbells retained in the hand, 112 **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, Mrs. G. Williams, 1-2; G. Williams, 3-4; J. George (conductor), 5-6; S. Scardefield, 7-8.

I desire to thank, through the medium of your valuable paper, all those gentlemen (too numerous to name individually) who have so kindly arranged and met me during this tour, which covered 2150 miles.

JAMES GEORGE.

Presentation and Farewell to a Popular London Ringer.

ON Saturday, August 27th, at the 'Grosvenor Arms,' Stepney, a smoking concert—convened for the above purpose—was most successfully carried out, Mr. Walter Prime, master of the Ancient Society of College Youths, being in the chair, and Mr. S. Hayes in the vice-chair. The recipient of the good wishes of all those who had met together, as well as a purse of gold and an illuminated framed address, was Mr. Samuel E. Joyce, who, on the 9th inst., is leaving this country to make his home in South Africa.

In addition to the vocal part of the programme, which included a good collection of songs, touches in various methods were rung upon the handbells. The presentation was made by Mr. James Pettit, from whom Mr. Joyce has received much of his instruction in change-ringing. Before dispersing, each one present shook hands with Mr. Joyce, and wished him God-speed in his new home.

Restoration of North Curry Church Bells, Somerset.

CONSIDERABLE satisfaction has been felt by the inhabitants of North Curry at the restoration of the church bells. The bell-cage has been thoroughly strengthened by long tie-bolts passing through the cage timbers, diagonal struts, and beams, thus well bracing all together, and very strong cast-iron corner plates are well bolted to each corner of the bell-cage, making it firm and rigid. All the bells have been thoroughly overhauled and readjusted, the heavy bells mounted on new gun-metal bearings and steel gudgeons of the most approved principle. A new deadening floor has also been put in, which has proved quite a boon to the ringers, as the noise of the bells in the belfry is much lessened. A new lath-and-plaster ceiling above the ringers' heads has been put up, the old struts from the belfry walls whitened, a new set of bell-ropes provided, also a new set of mats for the floor, and it may now be said that the belfry of North Curry Church presents quite a unique appearance. The work of restoration was intrusted to Mr. T. Doble, church bell-hanger, of Taunton, who has carried out the work in a manner which has given great satisfaction. The ringers have expressed their opinion that the bells are now in splendid going order. The peal

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It should be mentioned that all the necessary masonry in connexion with the above restoration has been executed by Mr. J. Ruckley, builder, and leader of the local ringers.

On Saturday, August 6th, eight members of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association of Change-ringers were successful in scoring the first peal on the bells, a peal of 5040 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES in 3 hrs. 8 mins. J. Mattock (conductor), 1; W. H. Gillard, 2; H. Pearce, 3; F. Millard, 4; Rev. H. C. Courtney, 5; E. E. Burgess, 6; H. J. Poole, 7; T. Doble, 8. On the completion of the peal Prebendary Buller entered the belfry and heartily congratulated the band on their excellent performance, mentioning that he had heard every note and how thoroughly he had enjoyed the ringing.

We believe it is the intention of Mr. Buller to perpetuate the record of the peal by erecting in the belfry a peal-board, with the ringers' names, the particulars of the peal, the time it took to ring, &c. The ringers were afterwards entertained to tea at the Angel Hotel by the Master of the Association, the Rev. H. C. Courtney, to whom they expressed their heartiest thanks.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Essex Association.

At St. Michael's, Bishop's Stortford, on August 22nd, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5008 changes, in 3 hrs. 18 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

Thomas Newman*	.. 1	Ernest Pitstow	.. .. 5
Frederick Pitstow, jun.	.. 2	John Penning	.. .. 6
Frederick Pitstow..	.. 3	George Taylor	.. .. 7
Walter Prior	.. .. 4	Henry J. Tucker	.. .. 8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow, conducted by H. J. Tucker. First peal in the method on the bells. Rung as a birthday peal to the conductor, all wishing him many happy returns of the day at the conclusion of the peal. [* First peal in the method.]

The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.

At Newcastle Cathedral, on August 23rd, Heywood's Variation of Thurstans' peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 33 mins. Tenor, 37½ cwt.

James George	.. .. 1	William Story	.. .. 5
Sergeant Power	.. .. 2	Hugh Dall..	.. .. 6
Robert S. Story	.. .. 3	Fred. J. Harrison (condr.)	7
Edward Wallis	.. .. 4	Ernest E. Ferry	.. .. 8

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Nicholas', Brighton, on August 27th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5006 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins.

John S. Goldsmith	.. 1	George A. King	.. .. 6
James George	.. 2	William Palmer	.. .. 7
Frank Bennett	.. 3	George Williams	.. .. 8
Jack Preston*	.. 4	Keith Hart	.. .. 9
James N. Frossell..	5	Walter C. Hunt*	.. 10

Composed by the late George Newson and conducted by George Williams. [* First peal of STEDMAN CATERS.]

The Midland Counties Association.

At St. Alphege's, Solihull, Warwickshire, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5043 changes, in 3 hrs. 25 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

John Carter	.. .. 1	James George	.. .. 6
James Jones	.. .. 2	George Hitchman..	.. 7
Robert Hurst	.. .. 3	Albert Walker	.. .. 8
Alfred T. Hyland..	.. 4	Charles H. Watts..	.. 9
George A. Martineau	.. 5	Henry King	.. .. 10

Composed and conducted by John Carter. It contains the 6th eleven times in 5th's place, and the 5th ten times, with the 9-7-8's, also the 5th ten times and the 6th twelve times in 5th's place with the 8-7-9's with all the 5-6's and the 6-5's. First time rung.

ST. GEORGE'S, BOROUGH, S.E.—The famous ring of bells at St. George's Church, Borough High Street, has been found after careful examination to be in a highly dangerous state. The bells were cast in 1718, and the continued striking of the clappers on the same surface has caused indentations which endanger their safety. The fittings are all more or less dilapidated, and it has been decided to have the bells thoroughly refitted throughout, quarter-turned, and rehung, the cost of which will be 130l.

ST. GEORGE'S, NEW MILLS, SHEFFIELD.—A peal of six bells, estimated to cost 400l., has been generously promised for St. George's Church, New Mills, by a parishioner whose name has not yet been publicly announced. Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, have the work in hand, and the bells are to be hung in the steeple by Christmas. The church has only just undergone complete restoration.

STONEY STANTON, MARKET HARBOUR.—The new peal of eight bells for the Parish Church is now being placed in position by Messrs. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough. Arrangements are being made for the opening service, which will be conducted by Bishop Mitchinson.

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THE MUSICAL TIMES gives a supplement—a chorus, entitled 'The Challenge of Thor,' by Edward Elgar, and a fine portrait of Mr. A. J. Hipkins, who, as stated in the accompanying article, has 'served the great house of Broadwood for the remarkable period of fifty-eight years.' The article on Mr. Hipkins is ably written, giving an admirable account of an industrious musical and literary career. In all respect the current issue of the *Musical Times* is well up to the mark.

THE MISSION FIELD has a remarkably good illustrated article on 'Klondyke and its Approaches,' by the Bishop of Caledonia, who gives graphic descriptions of the wonderful country through which he passed, and of his many exciting experiences and observations. Other contributions include accounts of S.P.G. mission work at Rorke's Drift and in North-west India.

GOODWILL has a charming reproduction of Pieter de Hooch's quaint painting of the 'Courtyard of a Dutch House.' The Rev. A. J. Carlyle writes with acumen on 'The Church, the State, and Social Progress.'

THE STRAND MAGAZINE has for this month's celebrities Mr. Lionel P. Smythe, A.R.A., Rear-Admiral Dewey, and the talented actress, Miss Louie Freear. 'From Behind the Speaker's Chair' continues to detail Mr. H. W. Lucy's reminiscences of Mr. W. E. Gladstone. 'The Ascent of Aconagua' is a thrilling account of a great mountaineering feat; Aconagua being the highest mountain in the world, outside of the great ranges of Asia. The fiction is as varied and good as ever, and the magazine continues to hold the right place which it has won.

THE WIDE WORLD MAGAZINE.—Colonel G. H. Trevor, C.S.I., relates some extraordinary incidents that happened during tiger hunts. Very interesting indeed is the article by George Humphrey on 'Picturesque Petroleum,' and James Cassidy gives a capital description of 'A Zulu Wedding.' Warren Cooper describes 'Forest Fires' in the United States, and the illustrations indicate how fearful are the ravages of the devouring element. Walter Barrow's 'Humours of Mountain Climbing' is an excellent contribution. There are several good stories in the number, and the pictures are beyond reproach.

AMONG the more noteworthy contents of THE LADY'S REALM is 'The Queen of Holland,' with some charming pictures of the girl-queen, and numerous other illustrations. 'The New Woman and the Old,' 'A Day with the Hoppers,' 'Buckingham Palace and its Memories,' 'Some Famous Sportswomen,' &c. 'With a Peep-show in Scotland,' help in making up a number of rather higher standard than ever.

THE BIBLE SOCIETY GLEANINGS FOR THE YOUNG contains several very capital pictures, notably one representing Wellington Street, Hong Kong.

THE BOY'S OWN PAPER contains the usual interesting variety of contents. The frontispiece, 'A Fine Old Yarn'—a gallant 'R.N.' man yarning to the 'old folks' in one of the cosy old-style kitchens—is pleasing. The story-tellers have been busy for the *Boy's Own*, and the results are satisfactory.

ALSO RECEIVED:—WAR OR BROTHERHOOD, THE BOYS' AND GIRLS' COMPANION, THE CHURCH WORKER (with a good article by Amy Carden on 'Parochial Clubs and Institutes'), THE CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL MAGAZINE (with useful article by the Rev. Selwyn Blackett, on 'How to Improve the Memory'), &c.

Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Field, to-day (September 9th).

Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on September 14th.

College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on September 13th; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on September 16th.

St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on September 15th.

Central Northamptonshire Association.

By general desire of the members and the consent of the Rev. E. E. Law, a quarterly meeting took place at Raunds on Saturday. Despite unpleasant weather, representatives from Northampton, Wellingborough, Kettering, Wootton, Higham Ferrers, Rushden, Addington, Desborough, Raunds, Wilby, Finedon, Irthlingborough, Earls Barton, and Wallaston were present, and took turns at the bells from two to 7.30 o'clock. At five o'clock over fifty sat down to tea. On the proposition of Mr. E. J. Dennes, the Vicar and Churchwardens were heartily thanked for the use of the bells, and the Raunds ringers for their genuine welcome. The visitors were unanimous in complimenting the parishioners of Raunds on the increase of their peal to eight. At the business meeting Mr. Dennes referred to the loss the Warkton ringers and their Association had sustained in the sudden death of the late Mr. T. Jones, who was one of their honorary members. The Association's last visit to Raunds was in October, 1891. Since that time the top of the spire has been rebuilt, the bells rehung in iron frames, the tenor recast, and two trebles added to make an octave, the latter being the kind gift of Mr. J. Kingsmith, one of the churchwardens. The new tenor weighs 22 cwt. 8 lbs., and is an exceedingly rich-toned, musical bell. The new trebles are equally good specimens of Messrs. Taylor's handiwork. The Central Northamptonshire Association of Church Bell-ringers was founded at Raunds in July, 1883, by the Rev. Hugh Bryan. When change-ringing had virtually died out in this part of Northamptonshire it still survived here, whence it had migrated from Irthlingborough by means of those two old veterans, J. Houghton and R. Neville. It has since spread over the entire district. The lofty tower and spire of the church of St. Peter 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.,



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CHANGE-RINGING.

[The Hertfordshire Association.]

AT Oxhey, Herts, on August 25th, a peal of **GRANDSIRE CATERS**, 5021 changes, on handbells retained in hand, in 2 hrs. 53 mins.

Charles George ..	1-2	Herbert Martin ..	5-6
George N. Price ..	3-4	W. H. L. Buckingham ..	7-8

Walter Norris .. 9-10

Composed by the late John Cox, conducted by W. H. L. Buckingham. Umpire, Mr. Frank Smith. Rung in honour of Mr. G. N. Price's twenty-first birthday.

ALSO at St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, Herts, on August 31st, Holt's Ten-part peal of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Frederick J. Glennerster ..	1	W. Hewitt ..	5
Bertram Prewett ..	2	Walter Norris (conductor) ..	6
W. Jays ..	3	William Norris ..	7
Herbert Martin ..	4	James Alexander ..	8

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

AT St. Mary's, Harrow-on-the-Hill, on September 3rd, Holt's Original peal of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 14 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

Frank A. Smith ..	1	Walter H. L. Buckingham ..	5
Archibald F. Harris ..	2	William E. Garrard (cond.) ..	6
William E. Whitehead ..	3	James George ..	7
George A. Ransom ..	4	Thomas Beadle ..	8

The ringers beg leave to thank the Vicar (the Rev. F. W. Joyce), for the very cordial reception he gave them.

The Waterloo Society.

AT St. John's, Waterloo Road, on September 3rd, a peal of **KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR**, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 18 cwt.

Harry Larton (conductor) ..	1	Frederick G. Perrin ..	5
William H. Webber ..	2	Thomas Langdon ..	6
William H. Pasmore ..	3	Dansie W. Griggs ..	7
Hary R. Pasmore ..	4	John W. Golding ..	8

NORTH WEALD, ESSEX.—A party of bell-ringers from Loughton, Woodford, and Leytonstone visited North Weald on Sunday, August 21st, and, the great heat notwithstanding (82° in the shade), rang the bells of the parish church of St. Andrew, where they were cordially welcomed by the Rev. R. S. Dewing, vicar, and Mr. Grindley. The latter gentleman kindly entertained the ringers to tea. At evensong the Rev. C. J. Ward, rector of Netteswell, preached an eloquent sermon from Rom. xi. 25. During the evening, touches of **KENT TREBLE BOB**, **BOB MINOR**, and **GRANDSIRE DOUBLES** were rung. The visitors suggested the fixing of guides for the ropes and the lightening of the tenor clapper, improvements which, if carried out, would conduce to better ringing and give to the peal a more musical tone.

ATHERSTONE, NUNEATON.—The bells in the tower of this church could not be rung on Sunday, August 28th. One of the ringers ascended to the belfry to make an alteration to one of the bells, when he discovered that the main beam was seriously damaged. A quantity of masonry was found in the belfry, and it is thought that the tower was struck during the storm on the previous Sunday. The bells were heard to ring while the storm was raging.

LEEDS, KENT.—After several months of enforced silence these bells have, during the past few days, been heard merrily chiming. They have stood sadly in need of repair for some years past, but want of funds has prevented the matter being taken in hand before. This fine old peal of

ten bells has now been thoroughly renovated and repaired and is once again in full working order. The work was carried out by Mr. Woolley, of Pudding Lane, Maidstone.

THORNABY'S NEW PARISH TOWER AND BELLS, NEAR DARLINGTON.—The tower which has been recently added to the Thornaby parish church, at a cost of nearly 1400*l.*, was formally dedicated by the Bishop of Hull on Thursday, August 11th. The work has been splendidly done, and the appearance of the church is now somewhat compatible with its importance. The ring of eight bells which is to be placed in it at a cost of 450*l.*, by Mr. and Mrs. T. Wrightson, in celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty, will, it is expected, be in the course of a few days ordered from Messrs. Llewellyns & James, of Bristol.

A RAMBLING correspondent states that in attending a church service in the Alfriston district he noticed with interest that a youthful son of the clergyman rang the bell calling the worshippers together, and afterwards acted as server to the officiating clergyman at the Communion service. In a Mid-Sussex church, in a rural district, the same observer noted that two daughters of the rector of the parish rang the bells for a morning service. Possibly it was a busy day in the parish. In both instances the clergymen's families seemed adepts at their tasks, the young ladies especially so. This paragraph appears in the *Sussex Daily News*.

NOTICE.—In order that peals may be reported without delay, conductors should send particulars to Mr. W. T. COCKERILL, 37 Tradescant Road, South Lambeth, immediately after the events.

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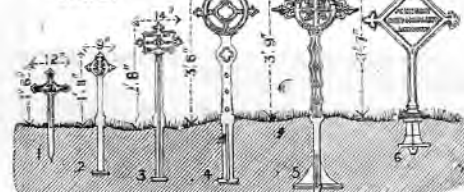
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The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on September 19th; St. Paul's Cathedral and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on September 20th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on September 21st; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on September 23rd.

Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on September 23rd.

The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on September 21st.

The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, to-day, September 16th, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

St. James's Society, London.

THE officers elected to serve the Society for the ensuing year are: Mr. C. F. Winney, master; Mr. W. Weatherstone, treasurer; Mr. G. R. Fardon and Mr. W. H. Webber, stewards; Mr. R. A. Daniell, 20 Bucklersbury, E.C., hon. secretary.

Ringers' Outing at Heavitree, Devonshire.

AN interesting gathering took place at Heavitree on Saturday, September 3rd, the Rev. Theophilus John Ponting having invited the combined bands of ringers at St. Sidwell's, St. David's, and St. Edmund's to meet those of St. Michael's, Heavitree (in Domesday, written *Hevetrooe*, i.e., hive-tree) to tea at the Vicarage, and to a friendly 'smoke' afterwards. About fifty responded to the hospitable invitation, amongst them Mr. Harry Hems in his position as Vice-President of the St. Sidwell's Band of Ringers. The weather being gloriously fine, tea was served on the lawn.

The fine new western church tower, pinnacled and embattled, and of distinctly Somersetshire type, was visited, and the noble proportions of its belfry received general approval, although some regretted its timbers above were not of sturdy English oak, as in olden belfries, rather than of the less obtrusive and humbler wood of the fir. The eight musical bells were cast by Taylor, of Loughborough, and it goes without saying the Exeter men swung them with zest and made them—in their change-ringing—speak out as they had rarely done before. Mention was made by the Vicar that the new carved oak choir stalls, which Messrs. Harry

Hems & Sons, of Exeter, are at present making for the church, from the designs of Mr. E. H. Harbottle, F.R.I.B.A., architect, will form a memorial to the late Rev. Sackville Hamilton Berkeley, who died suddenly whilst doing military-volunteer chaplain's duty at Aldershot.

A Peal of Grandsire Caters.

By JAMES GEORGE, Rugby.

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This composition contains all the 6-4's, 6-5's, 4-6's, and 5-6's with the bells in the tittums and inverted home positions.

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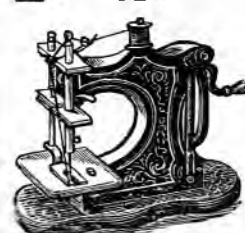
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next lead with bob.6 4 2 5 3 8 7 9 { 7 in with bob and out
at 3 with single.

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2 5 3 6 4 8 " 3

3 2 5 6 4 8 " 3

4 3 2 6 5 8 " 3 s

5 4 3 6 2 8 " 3 s

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This composition has the 6th twelve courses behind the 8th in the handstroke home position.

CHANGE-RINGING.**The Oxford Diocesan Guild.**

At St. Peter's, Caversham, Oxford, on September 5th, Johnson's Variation of Middleton's peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 2 hrs. 53 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

H. Simmonds 1	E. J. Menday 5
T. Newman 2	G. Essex 6
R. T. Hibbert 3	H. Smith 7
E. W. Menday 4	Rev. F. E. Robinson (condr.) 8

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

At the Parish Church, Debenham, Suffolk, on September 6th, a peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5248 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

James Motts 1	William Rumsey 5
James Rumsey 2	William Bullock 6
George Rowe, jun. .. 3	Alfred W. Grimes 7
William Groom 4	William H. Barber 8

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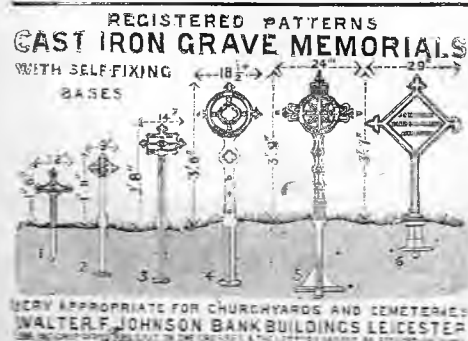
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William Langdon .. 1	Caleb Fenn 6
Challis F. Winney .. 2	Rowland Fenn 7
Edward P. O'Meara .. 3	Ebenezer Andrews .. 8
Thomas H. Taffender .. 4	James George 9
George R. Fardon .. 5	Alfred W. Brighton .. 10

Composed by W. Booth, conducted by A. W. Brighton.

STONEV STANTON, LEICESTER.—On Thursday, September 1st, the new peal of eight bells at the parish church was dedicated and opened by Bishop Mitchinson, archdeacon of Leicester, when there was a large congregation. The sermon was preached by the Bishop from the words in the first Psalm—'Make a cheerful noise to the God of Jacob.' The collection in aid of the bell fund realised 13l. 6s. 8d. The first touch, consisting of 336 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, conducted by A. R. Aldham, was afterwards rung by the following members of the Midland Counties Association: R. Lane, 1; J. Noble, 2; T. Wright, 3; W. A. Needham, 4; J. H. Swinfield, 5; H. Briggs, 6; A. R. Aldham, 7; W. Jones, 8. During the evening other touches were rung by members of the M.C.A. from Nuneaton, Hinckley, Loughborough, Sapcote, Earl Shilton, and Barwell. The work in connexion with the bells has been carried out by Messrs. Taylor, of Loughborough, the cost being estimated at about 350l., towards which amount the sum of 290l. had been raised prior to the opening.

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Reviews

GLADSTONE THE MAN. By David Williamson. (James Bowden.)—This slight non-political sketch of the great statesman who has so recently passed away is written by one who was fully able to appreciate the greatness as well as the mistakes of his subject, and who writes with a trained pen. One of the chapters is devoted to 'Mr. Gladstone as a Churchman,' and some interesting facts are there given, touching on his anxiety to promote the interests of the Church. For those desirous of possessing an outline of the character and achievements of the late Mr. Gladstone, without studying minutely the details of each event in that long life, this little work can be warmly recommended.

MORNING WATCHWORDS: OR, DAILY THOUGHTS FOR LADS. By M. E. Briscoe. (Hazell, Watson, & Viney, Limited. 4d. and 6d.)—The Rev. G. Everard, M.A., in the preface to this little volume, states that the watchwords are intended to keep readers 'watchful and wakeful in Christ's love, and so to brighten and sweeten the whole life.' The book is well calculated to do this.

THE HOUSEWIFE'S REFEREE, by Mrs. De Salis (Hutchinson & Co. 2s. 6d.), is a very useful volume for the immense army of housewives. It is sent forth as a 'treatise on culinary and household subjects,' and may fairly be described as being, in the departments with which it deals, almost exhaustive. The volume has been compiled with the object of helping gentlewomen in their homes. The recipes have been culled from several foreign gastronomic works and other sources, and deal with fancy more than with plain cookery, 'as there are so many good cookery-books which treat of simple joints, &c.' Mrs. De Salis has many thousands of cookery recipes not included in her book, and generously offers to place them at the disposal of any of her readers who may apply to her.

Magazines.

THE STUDIO is as excellent as usual from a pictorial point of view. It contains an admirable article on M. Albert Baertsoen, a 'Painter of Dead Cities.' M. Baertsoen, who is a Belgian, has undoubtedly done striking work. Mrs. G. F. Watts gives a design of a mortuary chapel; Gerald Moira and F. Lynn Jenking give tasteful decorations for a library; and M. R. Hill-Burton furnishes an exquisitely illustrated article on 'Photography and Colour-printing in Japan.' Considerable space is devoted to this year's national competition at South Kensington.

THE ENGLISH ILLUSTRATED MAGAZINE.—The October number of this popular magazine contains a well-written and illustrated article by John Pendleton on 'The Pitman, and the Romance of his Toil.' There are also interesting articles on 'The Modern Icarus—the newest of Flying Machines,' 'The Early Homes of our Princess,' &c. There is plenty of wholesome fiction in the number, and it is altogether a satisfactory production.

THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS.—The topic of the month is 'The Tear's Appeal for Peace,' the author remarking that Nicholas II. has now fulfilled the wishes of his father, who had 'expressed an earnest desire that the time might speedily come when the growth of the ruinous armaments of Europe would be checked.' 'An Impeachment of Modern Italy' comes from the pen of 'Ouida,' and there is an admirable character sketch, 'Dr. Campbell, and the Kingdom of the Blind.' This is the story of a remarkable career. A charming portrait is given of the Hon. Mrs. G. N. Curzon, who is described as 'Vice-Empress of India.'

HOME WORDS.—A specimen number, for January, has just been issued of this admirable magazine. It contains, amongst other striking features, a beautifully illuminated 'Family Register,' containing space for entry of baptism, confirmation, and marriage. The publishers justly believe that this register will be found a real help in Church work, inasmuch as that parents will be induced, having such a comprehensive register, to make the greatest possible use of it. There is no doubt this really artistic production will be heartily welcomed and carefully preserved in many thousands of homes throughout the country. In either corner of the register at the top is a picture representing the baptismal and confirmation services respectively, and in the centre is a pretty picture of a bridal party leaving church. Two capital almanacks also are issued from the office of *Home Words*. The 'Fireside Almanack' is a particularly good one. It is very effectively printed in colours. The reading matter in the magazine is excellent.

THE LONDON DIOCESAN MAGAZINE for October contains a letter from the Bishops of London and Rochester to the Clergy and Laity of the Church of England within the District of the School Board for London, dealing with Religious Education in Elementary Schools.

MACKERSON'S CHURCH CONGRESS HANDBOOK contains a large amount of information respecting the Congress and the city in which it is to be held. It is well illustrated.

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St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on September 29th.

A Peal of Grandsire Caters.

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4 5 3 6 2	8 " 3	4 5 3 6 2	9-8
3 4 5 6 2	9 " 3	3 5 2 6 4	9-8
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(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 896.)

CONSUMPTION AND OTHER DISEASES OF THE LUNGS.

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INTERVIEW

With Mr. A. ASHE, 26 Whitley Road, Eastbourne.

(This case was published in the *Weekly Journals*, August 18th, 1892.)

At the time Mr. Ashe applied to Mr. Congreve—about the year 1886, he was residing at Reading. From the account previously published, and what I learnt from the patient himself, there is some predisposition to chest disease in the family—a sister having suffered from that complaint. The case was undoubtedly a serious one, but intelligent perseverance with the treatment resulted in complete recovery.

I had the pleasure of a short chat with Mr. Ashe last year, and from him learnt the following particulars, together with his permission to make the case public:—

'The first serious symptom in my complaint was hæmorrhage from the lungs, followed by great difficulty of breathing, a very bad cough, much expectoration, a great deal of pain. My appetite failed, and I became very weak and thin. I attended at a hospital at Reading, but received no benefit. The physician there gave me to understand I was suffering from Phthisis.'

'Tell me, please, what result followed Mr. Congreve's treatment?'

'I began to recover, and in the course of a few months got well again. After a time I removed from Reading to this place, and since then I have enjoyed good health. Indeed, I may say I have never lost a day's work through illness since my recovery.'

Mr. Ashe has not kept this knowledge to himself, but has recommended the treatment to others who have also received benefit. I should like to add that I saw Mr. Ashe actively at work, and that to all appearance he is now a strong, healthy man.

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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Lancashire Association.

At Manchester Cathedral, on September 14th, a peal of **GRANDSIRE CATERPS**, 5003 changes, in 3 hrs. 15 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

James Gratrix ..	1	John R. Pritchard ..	6
Alfred Wilson ..	2	John Eachus ..	7
Edmund Hewitt ..	3	Richard Ridyard ..	8
Walter Brown ..	4	Frankie Hyde ..	9
Frederick Derbyshire ..	5	Richard Newton ..	10

Composed by Arthur Knights, conducted by John Eachus.

Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the St. Peter's Society, Wolverhampton.

At the Parish Church, Penn, Staffordshire, on Wednesday, September 14th, a peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 43 mins. Tenor, 12 cwt.

Rowland Cartwright ..	1	George Burrows ..	5
Hugh J. Balcombe ..	2	Aaron Griffiths ..	6
Robert Pickering ..	3	John Jaggar (conductor) ..	7
William G. Hall* ..	4	Herbert Knight ..	8

This peal, Sir A. P. Heywood's Variation of *Thurstans'*, was rung to celebrate the twenty-third birthday of Mr. H. J. Balcombe. [* First peal of **STEDMAN**.]

WILLENHALL, NEAR WALSALL.—On September 6th, a touch of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** (630 changes) was rung on the bells of St. Giles's Church, in 22 mins. by the local band—viz., Godfrey Goodchild, 1; Stephen Pitt, 2; Silvanus Dace, 3; Nehemiah Kibble, 4; James Adams, 5; Jabez Appleby (conductor), 6; Samuel Atkins, 7; John Hamilton, 8. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

WOOD GREEN, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On Sunday, September 4th, for Divine service at St. Paul's Church, a touch of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** (1008 changes) was rung in 36 mins. A. Cooper, 1; J. Lloyd, 2; H. Tinsley, 3; J. Gough, 4; G. Newbold, 5; W. Johnson (conductor), 6; J. Malpass, 7; J. Hamilton, 8. Tenor, 18 cwt. Mr. Lloyd belongs to Oldbury, and Mr. Hamilton to Walsall; the other ringers belonging to the local band.

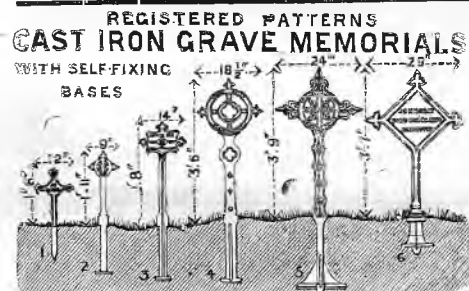
THE Salop Archdeaconry Guild of Change-ringers held their annual meeting in Shrewsbury on Saturday, August 27th. After service in St. Chad's Church, at which the Rev. and Hon. G. H. F. Vane, rector of Wem, gave a helpful address, a business meeting was held in the vestry, when the report for the year was read and the accounts passed. The ringers then took tea together, the Hon. Secretary presiding, and the rest of the evening was spent in ringing in St. Chad's, St. Mary's, and St. Alkmund's towers. Some good touches were rung, among which was a course of **GRANDSIRE CINQUES**, the first that has ever been accomplished by the Salop Guild. Among those present was Mr. C. E. D. Boutflower, of the Bath and Wells Diocesan Association. There were also present at the service and business meeting the Archdeacon of Salop, the Rector of Wem, the Rev. J. J. Norris, the Rev. R. Stamer, and the Rev. J. Mackay (hon. sec.).

'Two years ago, at Sampford Courtenay,' writes a gentleman to a Devonshire journal, 'I came across a native of that place, named George Brealey or Brailey, who was born in 1812, but was a hale-looking man still, though he had been for the last few years incapacitated from work through rheumatism in his arms. He had many interesting recollections to relate, and he paid me what was evidently to be understood as a special and rare compliment, by drawing forth from his bosom (where he always kept it for security) a little unbound hymn-book, which enclosed a well-worn scrap of paper on which were enumerated the various Devonshire church towers in which he had rung since he was twenty years old. I afterwards wrote for a copy of the list, but Brealey's relatives informed me that he had been ill, and kept the list under his pillow, where they could not get at it. A few days since I again visited Sampford Courtenay, and found George Brealey or Brailey looking not a day older. Again he drew forth with honest pride the list, which he permitted me to copy at not too great a distance from his elbow. Here is a copy of the paper: "George

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GILLINGHAM, DORSET.—The retuning of the parish church bells and the addition of two new bells so as to make up a peal of eight, is being carried out by Mr. T. Blackburn, of Salisbury. When the work is completed, Gillingham will be the possessor of a peal of bells second to none in the neighbourhood. The funds have been raised by voluntary subscription, nearly the whole of the money being in hand.

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Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on October 7th.
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on October 5th.
The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on October 5th.
The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, to-day, September 30th, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE 261st Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Champion Hotel, 25 Aldersgate Street, E.C., on Saturday, November 5th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 3s. 6d. each.

The Hertfordshire Association.

A DISTRICT MEETING will be held at Berkhamsted on Saturday, October 15th, when the tower will be open for ringing from three p.m. Tea at the Coffee Tavern; business meeting to follow. All members or visitors intending to be present are requested to so inform me by Wednesday, October 12th. E. P. DEBENHAM, Hon. Sec.
St. Albans, Sept. 21st, 1898.

In Memoriam.

WILLIAM WOOLSTON, of 'Westlands,' Wellingborough (a member of the Society of Friends), died September 19th, 1898, aged 81 years. He was the kind donor of carillons to Wellingborough Parish Church, of two new treble bells to his native place, Irthlingborough, and as a much valued honorary member of the Central Northamptonshire Association of Church Bell-ringers, he was a liberal helper to most of the belfry improvements in the district of late years.

Liverpool Ringers' Outing.

ELEVEN members of the Lancashire Association of change-ringers journeyed to Whitchurch, Salop, on September 5th. On arriving, they were met by the churchwardens, who invited them to lunch at the 'Black Bear.' A move was then made to the church tower, when the Rector (the Rev. W. H. Egerton, who is in his eighty-seventh year) came all the way up the steps into the belfry, and gave the ringers a hearty welcome. A start was made for a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, but after ringing 1 hr. 50 mins. it came to grief through a change-course. The ringers were R. S. Mann, 1; J. Aspinwall, 2; Geo. Woodhall, 3; W. James, 4; J. Martin, 5; J. Dillon, 6; T. Hammond (conductor), 7; H. Coley, 8. It was very doubtful if the peal would have been secured even if mistakes had not occurred, as there were new ropes, which blistered the ringers' hands very badly. The fifth bell has recently been rehung, but it had been left to strike so falsely that it quite spoilt the ringing. After ringing a few touches, an adjournment was made for dinner. An early start was made for home, all the ringers expressing themselves well pleased with their day's outing. They wish to thank the Rector and churchwardens for their kindness and for the trouble and expense they went to in making such excellent arrangements, and Mr. George Wright, the steeple-keeper, for the pains he took to make the outing so enjoyable.

Dedication of Bells at Flamborough.

THE proceedings in connexion with the dedication of the bells and new clock in the tower of the parish church of Flamborough, on September 21st, will live for a long time in the memory of those who took part in them. To the old church, there has of late been added a handsome new tower, and, to complete the work, the esteemed Vicar of the parish (the Rev. H. W. Rigby), Miss Cottrell-Dormer, Mr. T. W. Woodcock (vicar's churchwarden), and Mr. W. R. Word (people's churchwarden), formed themselves into a committee, and have carried out the work of tenanting the tower with four bells and a clock. At the commencement of the dedication ceremony, Miss F. E. Cottrell-Dormer, by pulling a ribboned lever, set the clock in motion, which immediately chimed the hour of service—3.30. Proceeding to the belfry the dedication ceremony was performed by the Bishop of Beverley, the churchwardens hauling the Bishop the ropes, and the Vicar in turn receiving them from the Bishop. A brief, pleasant service was afterwards gone through, the Bishop delivering a short address, in which he expressed the pleasure it gave him to attend on the completion of the crowning work of the tower, as he had attended when the foundation-stone of the new tower was laid. It was a fitting memorial to a lady who had recently passed away, and who took a very great interest in the welfare of the church and parish—the late Mrs. Cottrell-Dormer. The bells were rung by Sergeant Crisp (Flamborough), Mr. J. Airie, Mr. W. Robinson, and Mr. J. Cooling (Bridlington). Messrs. William Potts & Sons, of Leeds, carried out the work at an approximate cost of £104.

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Yorkshire Association of Change-ringers.

By invitation of the Skipton Branch, the members of this Association held their general meeting on September 17th in the National Schools, Skipton, where the President (Mr. William Snowden) and other officers attended to receive subscriptions and issue annual reports to the members. By permission of the Rector (the Rev. H. L. Cook), the fine ring of eight bells (tenor, 19 cwt.) at the parish church was available from twelve at noon till nine at night, and a local committee sat at the Old George Hotel to regulate the order of ringing. During the day the members were allowed to inspect Skipton Castle, by permission of Lord Hothfield's agent (Mr. R. B. Barrett). Later in the afternoon tea was provided in the National Schools, and about 100 persons attended. Mr. Snowden presided at the general meeting. There were also present a goodly number of members, representing the following branches of the Association:—Skipton, Bradford, Queensbury, Bramley, Keighley, Headingley, Low Moor, York, Gargrave, Huddersfield, Armley, Shipley, Bolton, Burnshall, Silsden, Ossett, Birstall, Addingham, Hull, Padiham, and Rothwell.

The Rector of Skipton, the curate (Rev. W. T. Barrett), and Messrs. E. Wood and A. H. Dawes (churchwardens) were also present to welcome the President and other members of the Association. After the formal business had been disposed of, Mr. Harry Holmes, of Birstall, suggested that as the Association had a good balance in hand, a portion of its funds should be appropriated for the relief of the sufferings of certain old ringers. The President said there would be difficulties in the way of establishing a general rule; he would advise Mr. Holmes to mention a special case, and then appeal straight to the generosity of the members of the Association. Mr. Holmes having stated a particular case, the President at once showed his practical sympathy. The matter was then left in the hands of Mr. Holmes and his friends. Mr. Copley (hon. secretary) proposed a vote of thanks to the Skipton Branch for entertaining the members of the Association, and to the ladies for presiding at the tables. This was seconded and carried unanimously. Mr. W. Billows, of Skipton, acknowledged the vote, and the proceedings terminated.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Yorkshire Association.

At Holy Trinity, Hull, on September 20th, Parker's Twelve-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 25 cwt.

George T. Marshall ..	1	William Southwick ..	5
George T. Miller ..	2	Frederick Morrison ..	6
Thomas Stockdale ..	3	J. W. Stickney (conductor) 7	
Charles Jackson ..	4	John W. Dale ..	8

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The Kent County Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Erith, on September 18th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5120 changes, in 3 hrs. 18 mins. Tenor, 18 cwt.

Harry Flanders 1	Staff-Serg. Alfred Pye .. 5
George R. Pye 2	Ernest Pye (conductor) .. 6
E. Wightman (composer) 3	Alfred W. Brighton .. 7
Frederick A Nunn .. 4	William Pye 8

The Birmingham St. Martin's Guild.

At All Saints', Fulham, on September 19th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5016 changes, in 3 hrs. 28 mins. Tenor, 21 cwt.

Alfred Flowers 1	Bernard Wittchell .. 6
Thomas Russam 2	Albert Walker 7
Samuel Reeves 3	William Kent 8
Charles Dickens 4	James W. Driver .. 9
Thomas Reynolds .. 5	William Painter .. 10

Composed by the late Henry Johnson and conducted by Bernard Wittchell.

The Kent County Association and the Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Mary's, Rotherhithe, on September 22nd, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 17 cwt.

Isaac G. Shade (conductor) 1	Harry Hoskins 5
William Foreman 2	William Pye 6
William Berry 3	Frederick W. Thornton .. 7
John J. Lamb 4	Harry Flanders 8

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Margaret's, Buxted, Sussex, on September 24th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 3 hrs. 8 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt., in F.

Joseph Waghorn, sen. .. 1	James N. Frossell .. 5
John S. Goldsmith .. 2	William H. Inglesant .. 6
Arthur W. Matthews .. 3	Keith Hart 7
Robert J. Dave 4	George Williams 8

Composed by Henry Dains, conducted by G. Williams. This was the first peal of SUPERLATIVE on these bells. Messrs. Matthews and Inglesant came from Loughborough; Mr. Waghorn from Tottenham.

The Lancashire Association.

At St. Luke's, Liverpool, on September 26th, a peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 58 mins. Tenor, 17 cwt.

Richard S. Mann 1	Thomas Hammond .. 5
John Aspinwall 2	William James (conductor) 6
George Woodhall 3	James Martin 7
James Dillon 4	Richard Phipps 8

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KENSINGTON.—At St. Mary Abbot's, on September 25th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes. S. Davis, 1; W. E. Judd (conductor), 2; H. Powell, 3; A. E. Bradley, 4; A. F. Harris, 5; W. E. Garrard, 6; W. Fox, 7; J. Judd, 8.

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The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on October 12th.
The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on October 11th; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on October 14th.
The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on October 13th.
The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on October 12th.
The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on October 13th.
The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on October 14th, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Kent County Association.

ASHFORD DISTRICT.—The Annual District Meeting will be held at Wye on Saturday afternoon, October 15th. Tower open at 3. Committee meeting at 5. Tea at the 'King's Head' at 5.30. Members intending to be present must send their names to me through the Secretaries of their bands before the previous Thursday. Half railway fares, but not exceeding 2s., will be allowed to all members present at 5.30.

C. WILFRID BLAXLAND, *District Hon. Sec.*

Hythe, Kent, October 3rd, 1893.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Mary's, Battle, Sussex, on September 27th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 7 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

William H. Eldridge ..	1	Charles J. Hyland ..	5
Walter Franks (conductor) ..	2	Charles R. Carter ..	6
Harold Thorpe ..	3	William J. Thomas ..	7
William Eastland ..	4	John Sindén ..	8

WOOD GREEN, STAFFORDSHIRE.—On September 15th, for practice, a touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1068 changes, was rung at St. Paul's Church in 39 mins. C. Tyler, 1; J. Farmer, 2; J. Tyler,* 3; H. Tinsley, 4; G. Newbold,* 5; W. Johnson (conductor), 6; J. Malpass,* 7; T. Cooper, 8. The ringers all belong to St. Paul's Society. [*Longest touch.]

LIVERPOOL.—On September 19th, at the residence of Mr. Hammond, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, on handbells, by the following members of the Lancashire Association:—J. Aspinwall, 1-2; T. Hammond (conductor), 3-4; G. Woodhall, 5-6; T. Hammond, jun., 7-8. First 504 by the two last named.—On September 20th, at St. Luke's Church, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES was rung by the following:—R. S. Mann, 1; J. Aspinwall, 2; R. Jones (Wrexham, first quarter-peal), 3; T. Dillon, 4; G. Woodhall, 5; W. James (conductor), 6; T. Hammond, 7; J. Martin, 8.

WILBYE, NORTHANTS.—On September 22nd, 1000 GRANDSIRE DOUBLES were rung in 29 mins. A. Fairey, 1; C. Fairey, 2; F. Tompkins (conductor, Wellingborough), 3; O. Bayes (Ecton), 4; T. Fowler, 5. Tenor, 9 cwt. The Rector and churchwardens recently decided to put a set of Taylor's iron ceiling bosses in their belfry. Investigation of the ceiling and clockroom floor preparatory to this improvement revealed the fact that the supporting timbers were rotten and unsafe. New oak beams and panelled ceiling have now been put up at a considerable expense. The stone steps of the Newel stair, leading up to the bells, have also recently been repaired. The Rector of Wilbye (the Rev. W. St. George Coldwell) takes a personal interest in his bells, and has done much for the comfort and convenience of his ringers.

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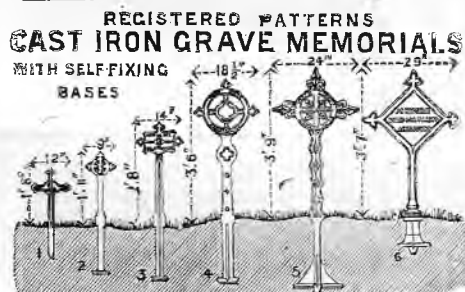
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HOURLY AND QUARTER BELLS. SCHOOL BELLS AS SUPPLIED TO THE LONDON SCHOOL BOARD.

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WELLINGBOROUGH.—The Wellingborough Parish Church bells were rung, full muffled, on Friday evening, September 23rd, as a token of respect to the memory of the late Mr. William Woolston. The chimes, which Mr. Woolston presented to the town in Jubilee year, were set going again on Tuesday, having been silent for a week. On Sunday evening, September 25th, on the occasion of the Harvest Festival, 336 OXFORD BOB TRIPLES was rung. E. J. Dennes, 1; W. Wood, 2; T. R. Hensher (conductor), 3; F. Underwood, 4; F. Wood, 5; E. West, 6; W. H. Ette, 7; F. Jones (Earls Barton), 8. This was the first 'touch' in this method by all who took part, and the first time it has been rung at Wellingborough. Also on handbells by the junior members of the belfry on September 20th, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE DOUBLES, 1260 changes, was rendered by A. Jackson, 1; G. M. Ette, 2; F. Tompkins (conductor), 3; W. H. Ette, jun., 4; O. W. Bayes, 5; H. Pettit, 6. This was the first quarter-peal by all who took part. Pettit belongs to Castle Ashby, and Bayes to Ecton.

REDBOURN, HERTFORDSHIRE.—The six bells of the parish church were rededicated by the Vicar, the Rev. G. A. L. Browne, at a special service, on Wednesday, September 28th, after complete restoration by Mr. S. B. Goslin, of the Bishopsgate Foundry, London. The bells have been quartered upon Mr. Goslin's latest improved system without drilling or cutting the head, new stocks and fittings with pedestal bearings and steel gudgeons and sole plates being provided, and the frame strengthened in accord with a specification approved by Lord Grimthorpe. Tenor, 44½ in., weight, 14 cwt. 2 qrs. Note F. The 'go' of the bells gives complete satisfaction.

HARROLD, BEDFORDSHIRE.—On Tuesday evening, September 20th, the village was all astir, it having got abroad that the bells of the parish church would again be heard. For some time the bells have been in the hands of Messrs. J. Taylor & Co., of Loughborough. Formerly there were five bells hung in the tower in an oak frame. The whole were conveyed to Loughborough, the tenor bell to be recast, the other four tuned, and a new treble bell added to complete a ring of six, which have been rehung with new fittings of improved design in a new iron frame standing on steel girders. The work having been mostly finished, the trial of the bells was made by members of the Association of Change-ringers, who were invited from Bedford, Messrs. C. W. Clarke (conductor), W. Barker, C. Chasty, H. Toll, S. Constant, and Mr. D. Taylor, of Loughborough, ringing 720 KENT TREBLE BOB and 120 each of STEDMAN and GRANDSIRE DOUBLES. At the close the ringers expressed themselves thoroughly satisfied with the work carried out by Messrs. Taylor. The Vicar, the Rev. J. M. Walker, thanked the ringers, and Mr. C. W. Clarke briefly replied, stating that it had been a pleasure to them to give a trial of the bells, and now a nice ring had been put in they hoped to come again, and he proposed, and Mr. H. Toll seconded, a vote of thanks for the kindness of the Bell Committee. Mr. W. Manton and Mr. Thos. Knight thanked the members of the Bedfordshire Association, and hoped many pleasant meetings would be held in the future. It is hoped that the bells will be formally reopened at an early date, and that the work in connexion with the clock and chimes will shortly be done, that part of the work being in the hands of Sir John Bennett, Ltd., who erected the clock in 1887.

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The Literary World

THE *Bookman* makes the following interesting announcement: 'Dean Farrar's sequel to his great work, *The Life of Christ*, will not be ready until the spring of next year at the earliest. It will be found to be largely the result of the Dean's recent studies in Palestine, and to be full of entirely new matter. The title will probably be *The Life of Lives*. The Dean's literary activity has been very great just lately, and it is possible that a second book will be published by him next year.'

WE understand that Messrs. Methuen will publish the Bampton Lectures on *Christian Mysticism*, which Mr. W. R. Inge, fellow of Hertford College, will deliver next year before the University of Oxford.

It having been represented to the publisher that a new story by Mr. Richard Marsh contains certain passages to which exception might be taken, Mr. Long has decided not to publish the book this season. It will be revised by the author, and will be issued by Mr. Long in January.

MR. BARING-GOULD'S *Old Country Life*, published in 1889, was one of the first books issued by Messrs. Methuen, and *An Old English Home*, by the same author, which Messrs. Methuen will publish in a few days, is planned on similar lines, and describes the life and environment of an old English family.

THE Mazarin Bible, which has for some years been one of the treasures at Quaritch's, has, it is understood, been sold to an American collector. The price is said to be 5250*l.* The Bible was bought a good many years ago for 5000*l.*

MESSRS. METHUEN will publish in a few days, *Cambridge and its Colleges*, by A. Hamilton Thompson, illustrated by E. H. New. The book is a companion volume to Mr. Wells' very successful book *Oxford and its Colleges*.

THE Queen has been graciously pleased to accept a copy of Mr. Mackenzie Bell's *Pictures of Travel*, and has, through her secretary, Sir Arthur Bigge, sent her thanks to the author.

As Christmas approaches, the clergy are looking about for gift-books for Sunday-school prizes, and Church workers and others are anxious to find appropriate presents. The Church Newspaper Company, Ltd., are prepared to supply, at largely reduced terms, volumes suitable for this purpose. Specimen parcels, containing twelve handsome volumes, of the value of 1*l.* 5*s.*, will be forwarded, carriage paid, to any clergy, Sunday School Superintendents, or other Church workers, who, in applying, enclose a postal order for 16*s.* The applications will be dealt with strictly in the order in which they are received. This is a special offer, and the volumes cannot be supplied at this rate through the ordinary trade channels.

NEMO.

THE yearly volume of THE EXPOSITORY TIMES is always welcome. This is the ninth, and is in every way as good as its predecessors. It is enriched by an excellent portrait of Canon Driver. The old features are well maintained. The Great Text Commentary, the reviews, the special signed articles by the scholars of the world, and the editor's unique notes of recent exposition—focussing as they do the progress of knowledge and of thought in many branches of theological science—all make this an indispensable item in the reading of every clergyman.

BIBLE READINGS FOR 1899.—Messrs. Wells Gardner, Darton, & Co. have published a handy little booklet giving Bible readings from the Gospel of St. Luke and the book of the Acts of the Apostles for the coming year. The production, which is neatly got up, is offered at the modest price of 1*d.*

THE CHURCH ALMANAC, issued by Mr. Frederick Sherlock from the office of the *Church Monthly*, is one of the handsomest and most useful productions of the kind we have seen. It is printed in two colours, red and black, and contains seven very beautiful illustrations. The large central picture is a reproduction of Murillo's 'Infant Saviour,' and below are five panels delineating leading scenes in the life of our Lord. The daily texts harmonise with the Church's teaching throughout the year, and the Prayer-book Calendar is strictly adhered to. Another important feature of the Almanac is the careful noting of the changes of the moon. It will be seen from the foregoing that, in addition to being well got up, the Almanac is possessed of great utility. Its enormous circulation testifies to its ever-increasing popularity.

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Meetings for Practice.

The St. James's Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on October 17th.
The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on October 17th; St. Mary-le-Bow, Cheapside, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on October 18th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on October 19th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on October 21st.
Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, on October 21st.
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on October 19th.
The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on October 19th.
The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on October 20th.
The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on October 21st, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE 261st Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Champion Hotel, 15 Aldersgate Street, E.C., on Saturday, November 5th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 3*s.* 6*d.* each, may be bought of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, Cockerill, Albert Coles, E. A. Davies, Garrard, Horrex, Hoskins, T. Mash, McLaughlin, J. C. Mitchell, Newton, O'Meara, Pettit, Prime, W. D. Smith, Springall, Taffender, and Winney.

The Kent County Association.

ASHFORD DISTRICT—The Annual District Meeting will be held at Wye to-morrow, Saturday, October 15th. Tower open at 3. Committee meeting at 5. Tea at the 'King's Head' at 5.30. Half railway fares, but not exceeding 2*s.*, will be allowed to all members present at 5.30.
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CHANGE-RINGING.

The Winchester Diocesan Guild.

AT SS. Peter and Paul's, Fareham, Hampshire, on October 1st, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 53 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

William W. Gifford	1	John S. Goldsmith	5
Isaac G. Shade	2	Charles Giles	6
George Williams	3	Keith Hart	7
Henry White	4	Frederick S. Bayley	8

Composed by H. Dains; conducted by George Williams.

AT St. Peter's, Soberton, on October 3rd, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 14 cwt.

William W. Gifford	1	Charles Giles	5
Henry White	2	George Williams	6
John S. Goldsmith	3	John W. Whiting	7
Isaac G. Shade	4	Keith Hart	8

Composed by N. J. Pitstow; conducted by Keith Hart.

ALSO a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins.

John W. Whiting*	1	Rev. F. E. Robinson	5
Henry White*	2	Frederick S. Bayley	6
John S. Goldsmith	3	Keith Hart	7
Isaac G. Shade*	4	George Williams	8

Composed by C. Middleton; conducted by G. Williams. This was the first peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE rang in Hampshire and by the above Guild. [* First peal of CAMBRIDGE.]

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 980.)

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At St. John-the-Evangelist's, Westmeon, on October 4th, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 12 cwt. 2 qrs. 27 lbs.

George Williams (condr.)	1	J. S. Goldsmith	5
Isaac G. Shade	2	Keith Hart	6
Charles Giles	3	William W. Gifford	7
Rev. F. E. Robinson	4	John W. Whiting	8

This was the first peal on these bells, which were augmented from six to eight in 1897.

At Holy Trinity, Privett, Hants, on October 4th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 15 mins. Tenor, 12½ cwt.

J. W. Whiting	1	John S. Goldsmith	5
Henry White	2	Rev. F. E. Robinson	6
Isaac G. Shade	3	Keith Hart	7
Charles Giles*	4	George Williams	8

Composed by C. Middleton; conducted by G. Williams. The first peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE on these bells. [* First peal of CAMBRIDGE.]

At St. Peter's, Petersfield, on October 5th, a peal of CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins. Tenor, 16 cwt.

John W. Whiting	1	Keith Hart	5
Isaac G. Shade	2	Rev. J. G. Robinson	6
Henry White	3	John S. Goldsmith	7
Charles Giles	4	George Williams	8

Composed by C. Middleton; conducted by G. Williams. This was the first peal of MAJOR on these bells.

The Hertfordshire Association.

At St. James's, Bushey, Herts, on October 3rd, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 55 mins. Tenor, 13 cwt.

William G. Whitehead* (conductor)	1	Herbert Martin	5
W. H. L. Buckingham	2	William J. S. Thorn	6
Charles George	3	Ernest E. Huntley	7
Bertram Prewett	4	Frank A. Smith	8
		William D. Oakley	

This peal was rung half-muffled as a tribute of respect to the late Mr. Henry Thompson, J.P., who was buried at Bushey the same day. [* First peal as conductor.]

The Ancient Society of College Youths and the Essex Association.

At the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Barking, Essex, on October 6th, Taylor's Bob-and-Single peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 57 mins. Tenor, 22½ cwt.

Albert Deards Mason	1	Rowland Fenn	5
Edward Lucas	2	A. W. Brighton (condr.)	6
A. J. F. Carter (first peal)	3	Albert C. Hardy	7
Thomas Faulkner	4	Caleb Fenn	8

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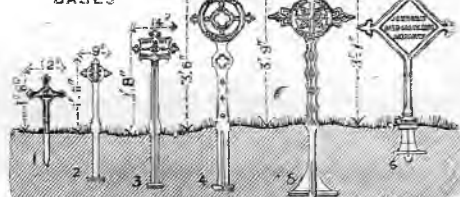
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HOOR AND QUARTER BELLS. SCHOOL BELLS AS SUPPLIED TO THE LONDON SCHOOL BOARD.

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The Sussex County Association.

At St. Nicholas', Brighton, on October 7th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 16½ cwt.

George Williams	1	William Palmer	6
Frank Bennett	2	James N. Frossell	7
Robert J. Dawe	3	George A. King	8
George Smart	4	William W. Gifford	9
John S. Goldsmith	5	Keith Hart	10

Composed by Frank Bennett; conducted by Keith Hart.

SOUTH WALES.—On Sunday, September 25th, at the picturesque church of Cadoston-juxta-Neath, special services were held to commemorate the dedication of a ring of bells. The ancient church tower, recently restored, contains six bells, three of which have been given by Mr. Evans Bevan, of Cadoston, to the memory of his father and mother. Immediately after the singing of the anthem, the clergy and churchwardens proceeded to the tower and dedicated the bells. The Rev. Canon Johnson, of St. Michael's College, Aberdare, the preacher for the day, read the dedication service, and the bells were duly handed to the charge of the Vicar, the Rev. Lewis Jones.

NORTHAMPTON.—A new ring of bells for St. Sepulchre's Church, given by Mr. R. J. Kilburn and other parishioners, was dedicated on September 26th by the Vicar, the Rev. C. Brookes.

The report of the Lancashire Association's annual meeting will appear next week.

Excessive Eating and Drinking.

We all eat too much flesh food and drink too much tea.

The former militates against working energy, and the tannic acid and other deleterious properties to be found in tea lower the spirits and injure the health. The body, in fact, is a working engine, and as such it must be treated. The waste of tissue which daily goes on can only be replaced by the proper assimilation of food.

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Meetings for Practice.

- The Royal Cumberland Youths:* at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day (October 21st).
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Vassal Road, Brixton, on October 24th, and St. John's, Waterloo Road, on October 26th.
The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on October 25th; at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on October 26th; at St. Magnus, London Bridge, on October 27th, at 7.30; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on October 28th.
The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on October 27th.
The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on October 26th.
The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on October 27th.
The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on October 28th, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Lancashire Association.

THE annual meeting of this Association was held at Bolton, on Saturday, September 24th. Service in Holy Trinity Church was followed by tea and a business meeting in the schools. The shortened evensong in the church was attended by a considerable number of the members. The preacher was the Vicar of Holy Trinity (the Rev. T. Taylor-Evans, B.A.), who was assisted in the service by the Revs. H. J. Elsee, M.A. (vicar of St. George's and President of the Association), Hugh Francis Lloyd (vicar of St. Michael and All Angels', Wigan), and A. W. Baxter, M.A. (curate of Holy Trinity). At the close of the service, the Rev. H. J. Elsee, as President of the Association, unveiled a marble tablet, in the west porch, to the memory of Mr. Redford, whose valuable and assiduous services to the Association he highly eulogised. He said the Association probably owed more to him than to any other single member. The memorial was formally accepted on behalf of the church by the Vicar and Mr. H. De Bell, one of the wardens. The inscription on the tablet is as follows: 'To the glory of God this tablet is erected by the Lancashire Association of Change-ringers in affectionate remembrance of Joel Redford, a ringer in this tower, who for sixteen years gave faithful service as secretary of the Association. He entered into rest on February 13th, 1898, aged thirty-eight years, and his body lies in the churchyard of St. James's, Breightmet.' After tea, which was served in Trinity Schools, the annual meeting was held. The President (Rev. H. J. Elsee) took the chair. About 200 officers and members were present, including Messrs. J. Eachus (Vice-President), A. E. Wreaks (General Secretary), and H. W. Jackson (Treasurer), and the Revs. H. F. Lloyd and C. A. Clements (Southport). The reports presented showed that the income for the year had been 44l. 9s. 2d., and the expenditure 64l. 6s. 1d., showing a loss on the year's working of 19l. 16s. 11d. On the income side of the account, interest on bank investments had not yet been received, so that the income of the past year had really been almost exactly the same as in the preceding year, whilst the large excess of expenditure was more than accounted for by items of an extraordinary nature. In regard to the peals both in quality and quantity, if any proof were needed of the continued vitality of the society it was to be found there. The membership stood at present as follows:—Honorary and life 58, honorary 31, life performing members 47, performing members 725, non-resident 55—total 916. Reference was made at the close to the long and valuable work of Mr. Redford. The Rev. H. J. Elsee gave an excellent address to the members, and congratulated them on the fact that during the year eighty-one peals had been scored, against fifty the previous year, and establishing a record. He urged upon them the importance in their work of exercising due consideration for those who lived in the immediate neighbourhood of the churches in which they rang. Sometimes it was really trying for residents close to a belfry if the bells were rung for three hours at a stretch, especially when there were cases of sickness. Complaint had been made that injury was being done to the popularity of bells in England by want of such care and by too frequent bell-ringing in certain centres. He was as deeply interested in the bells as any one in that room, but he wished them to keep these points in mind, and as hints for their guidance he suggested care as to the choice of places for ringing and a greater use of handbells when trying new methods. The election of officers was then proceeded with, and the president, general secretary, assistant secretary, and treasurer, whose names are given above, were re-elected, with Mr. Shepherd as ringing secretary. The Rev. A. W. Baxter was elected an honorary member. The following were nominated as the Committee:—Messrs.

R. S. Mann (Liverpool), Z. Lord, J. B. Taylor, and J. E. Whitaker (Rossendale), J. Mather (Preston), G. Maries (Fylde), W. Slater (Blackburn), and R. Ridyard (Manchester). Votes of thanks were afterwards passed to the officers and to the Bolton friends for the excellent arrangements made. Preston was fixed upon as the place for the next meeting. The following towers were placed at the service of the members for ringing during the evening: the Parish, Trinity, St. George's, All Souls', the Saviour's, Deane, and St. Peter's (Halliwell).

Irchester, Northants: Death of an Old Ringer.

ON September 15th there was buried in the Churchyard at Irchester, Joseph Bayes, who had been connected with the belfry of St. Katherine's Church since 1849. When a 5000 was accomplished on Irchester bells, (For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 1000.)

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(This case has not been published before.)

Captain Turner is a staunch believer in the efficacy of Mr. Congreve's treatment for Consumption, and that he has sufficient grounds for his faith will be evident to all who read his testimony.

'My brother-in-law, Mr. E. Philp, became a patient of Mr. Congreve in October, 1894,' he told the writer. 'He was twenty-four years of age, and had been ill some time. He came here to stay with me at the date mentioned, suffering from a bad cough, much expectoration (he had had blood-spitting), night sweats; knowing, on the authority of the London physician who had attended him some months, that he was suffering from Consumption. While with me, of course, he was under military *régime*—he obeyed all orders and instructions implicitly. He began to improve a month after commencing the treatment, and made such good progress, that in March, 1895, when he was examined by a local doctor, he was told his lungs were perfectly sound. From October to March, he gained three stones in weight. In April he left here, obtained an appointment in the Midlands, and has remained there, enjoying good health ever since. I certainly don't believe he would have got better if it hadn't been for Mr. Congreve's treatment.'

'Wasn't this gentleman's sister Miss C. E. Philp, taking the medicine at one time, Captain Turner?'

'Yes; she applied in December, 1893. She was far worse even than her brother, but after remaining under treatment a year she recovered her health. Although you would not call her a strong woman, she is well able to superintend the household, and get about as well as ever she did. She has had no relapse since her recovery.'

Since the above interview, in Sept., 1897, Captain Turner has received an appointment in the R.A., at Woolwich, and in June, 1898 he was residing at 14 Wemyss Road, Blackheath. He then wrote, 'I am glad to say my sister-in-law, Miss C. E. Philp, continues in good health, and I shall not only be glad for the sake of other sufferers, for you to use the report of your Commissioner's visit to me at Carmarthen, in any form you think best, but I should always be prepared to bear testimony either personally, or in writing to the wonderful efficacy of Mr. Congreve's treatment in the cases of both Miss C. E. Philp, and her brother, Mr. E. Philp.'

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The Norwich Diocesan Association.

At St. Lambert's Church, Stonham Aspell, on October 1st, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 changes, in 3 hrs. 34 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

James Motts ..	1	William A. Grimes ..	6
William L. Catchpole ..	2	James Rumsey ..	7
Henry C. Gillingham ..	3	Ernest Pye ..	8
William Motts ..	4	William Pye ..	9
William Grimes ..	5	Robert H. Brundle ..	10

Composed by Samuel Marsh; conducted by James Motts.

Also at the Parish Church, Pulham St. Mary, on October 11th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

J. Tann ..	1	E. Poppy ..	5
J. Betts ..	2	G. Pye ..	6
R. Whiting ..	3	F. Smith ..	7
F. R. Borrett ..	4	W. Pye ..	8

The Midland Counties Association.

At All Saints', Loughborough, on October 7th, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB ROYAL, 5000 changes, in 3 hrs. 39 mins. Tenor, 28 cwt.

Richard Lane ..	1	Edward Robinson ..	6
Robert Christian ..	2	John Hickman ..	7
W. H. Inglesant ..	3	Horace W. Abbott ..	8
E. W. Cartright ..	4	William T. Billingham ..	9
S. Smith ..	5	John W. Taylor, jun. ..	10

Composed by Henry Dains; conducted by John W. Taylor, jun.

The Lancashire Association.

At St. Luke's, Liverpool, on October 11th, a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 1 min. Tenor, 17 cwt.

Richard S. Mann ..	1	George Woodhall ..	5
John Aspinwall ..	2	William Davies ..	6
Edwin Breeze ..	3	Thomas Hammond ..	7
James Dillon ..	4	James Martin ..	8

Composed by the late Thomas Hurry; conducted by Richard S. Mann.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At St. Mary's, Harrow-on-the-Hill, on October 15th, Thurstans' One-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 11 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

Edwin Horrex ..	1	Challis F. Winney (cond.) ..	5
William E. Judd* ..	2	William E. Garrard ..	6
Thomas H. Taffender ..	3	William T. Cockerill ..	7
George N. Price ..	4	James George ..	8

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[* First peal in the method.]

St. GEORGE'S-IN-THE-EAST, LONDON.—On October 11th, by members of the Ancient Society of College Youths, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 50 mins. W. Truss, 1; T. H. Taffender, 2; F. C. Newman, 3; C. Wallage, 4; S. Parmenter, 5; J. Scholes, 6; C. Hall, 7; W. Clow, 8. Contains twelve 4-6's, twelve 6-7's, and twelve 7-4's. Composed by J. P. Bradley, and conducted by T. H. Taffender.

St. MARY ABBOT'S, KENSINGTON.—On October 16th, for evening service, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE CATERS, 1259 changes. S. Davie,* 1; W. E. Judd, 2; G. Brush, 3; H. W. Cotton, 4; A. E. Bradley, 5; A. F. Harris, 6; W. S. Pennefather,* 7; W. E. Garrard (conductor), 8; W. Fox, 9; J. Judd, 10. [* First quarter-peal of CATERS.]

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St. SEPULCHRE, NORTHAMPTON.—Mr. E. J. Dennes (Wellingborough) writes: 'In your issue of last week I noticed a paragraph stating that a new ring of bells had been given to the above church. That is not correct. What has actually been done is that the old six bells have been rehung and two trebles added to complete the octave. The work has been carried out by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank.'

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Magazines.

THE CHURCH QUARTERLY REVIEW.—Nearly forty pages of the *Review* are devoted to 'The Present Crisis in the Church of England,' which is, as may be concluded from the extent of the article, dealt with exhaustively, and, we may also add, very ably. Other contributions include 'Horne's Coptic Gospels,' 'The Criticism of the Pentateuch,' 'Ward's Life of Cardinal Wiseman,' 'Studies of the "Paradiso" by Gardner and Haselfoot,' 'Autobiography of a Mystic,' &c. Altogether the number is very interesting and valuable.

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THE WINDSOR MAGAZINE.—The thrilling experiences of the Nansen expedition, as related by Lieut. Johanson, are concluded in this number. Mr. W. J. Winter gives on account of how pawnbrokers lose money. Information is given in the same issue as to the salaries paid to Canadian statesmen, and we are introduced to Mr. George Eulas Foster, who is described as the 'Joseph Chamberlain' of Canadian politics. Mr. S. E. Waller tells, in a well written and illustrated article, some good stories of the 'Young British Soldier.' Mr. Dayrell Trelawney has a capital article on 'The possibilities of Entertaining.'

THE EVANGELIST MONTHLY.—This periodical, published by Bemrose & Sons, is intended for localisation as a parish magazine. It is well adapted for the purpose. Matter and illustrations are alike excellent, and we understand that it is supplied on very favourable terms. The January number is an excellent start for the new volume.

THE REVIEW OF REVIEWS.—The 'History of the Month in Caricature' includes a significant allusion to the Tsar's peace proposal. Lord Salisbury says to the 'Russian Bear,' 'By all means cut your own claws, if you like. It will save some one else the trouble.' The frontispiece strikingly depicts the Queen of Holland taking the oath to the Constitution. In the 'Progress of the World,' the conflict at Omdurman is justly described as having been 'less of a battle than an execution.' Mr. James Creelman, the war correspondent, is the subject (with portrait) of the 'Character Sketch.' Alfred Stead's account of 'The Making of a Queen' (Wilhelmina of Holland) is ably written, and the illustrations are very interesting.

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The St. James's Society: at St. Clement Danes, Strand, on October 31st.
The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on October 31st; St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on November 1st; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on November 2nd; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on November 4th.
Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's - in - the - Fields, on November 4th.
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The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on November 3rd.
The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on November 4th, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE 261st Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Champion Hotel, 15 Aldersgate Street, E.C., on Saturday, November 5th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 3s. 6d. each, may be bought of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, Cockerill, Albert Coles, E. A. Davies, Garrard, Horrex, Hoskins, T. Mash, McLaughlin, J. C. Mitchell, Newton, O'Meara, Pettit, Prime, W. D. Smith, Springall, Taffender, and Winney. The towers of St. Michael's, Cornhill (12), and of St. Clement Danes, Strand (10), will be available for ringing from 4 to 6 p.m.

St. Paul's Cathedral.

By kind permission of the Dean, a peal of STEDMAN CINQUES will be attempted by members of the Ancient Society of College Youths on Saturday, October 29th, at 5 p.m.

The Truro Diocesan Guild of Ringers.

THIS Guild has lately been started under an influential body of clergy and laity. The Bishop is patron; the Earl of Mount-Edgcombe the president; the Archdeacon of Cornwall, the Archdeacon of Bodmin, Canon Donaldson, the Rev. G. H. Glencross, Messrs. A. C. P. Williams, T. Robins Bolitho, J. C. Daubuz, vice-presidents; and there is also a large and representative Committee. In answer to the questions, Why is it necessary to have such a diocesan society as this; what is the use of it? the following facts are suggested as answers:—

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2. The bells are holy instruments, dedicated to the worship and service of Almighty God, and those who ring them obtain a part in the sacred ministry of God's Church, and the ringers should therefore be recognised as taking a very prominent position as Church workers in the parish and the diocese.

3. The Guild arranges for meetings to be held in different centres of the diocese, where ringers from surrounding parishes may meet and ring together and talk over, as fellow-members, the work in which they are mutually interested and engaged. These meetings tend to bind the ringers together in a common brotherhood, it helps and encourages them in their work, and inspires them to a truer and deeper sense of their responsibility, and to a realisation of their sacred office.

4. The Guild hopes to help in belfry reform where needed, and to improve ringing generally, and to encourage the art of change-ringing by making arrangements for a competent person to visit any parish and instruct any band of ringers who may require it.

5. The Guild, as far as funds will permit, hopes to give to affiliated bands, who need it, pecuniary assistance towards the expenses of an instructor and attending festivals or district meetings.

It is said in a Guild circular that there are 350 clergy and 1180 ringers in the diocese.

The Norwich Diocesan Association of Ringers.

THE annual meeting of the Norwich Diocesan Association was held at Norwich on October 5th. The bells of the following churches were kindly made available during the day, and good use was made of them, viz.:—St. Peter Mancroft, 12; St. Giles's, 8; St. Michael Coslany, 8; St. John Maddermarket, 6; St. Gregory, 6; St. Mary Coslany, 6; St. Peter Permouthergate, 6; St. Lawrence, 6.

At 12.45 a special service was held at the church of St. Peter Mancroft. Among the clergy present who were robed were the Bishop of Thetford, the Revs. W. Pelham Burn (vicar), C. W. Prangley, Minor Canon W. Breffit, and H. Earle Bulwer (hon. secretary of the Association). The service was taken by the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer, the lesson being read by the Vicar. Mr. H. E. Snelling was at the organ. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Thetford, who took as his text Psalm xix. 4: 'Their sound has gone out into all lands, and their words unto the ends of the world.'

At 1.30 luncheon was served in Blackfriars' Hall. The chair was taken by the Rev. W. Pelham Burn (vicar of St. Peter Mancroft), and among those present were the Bishop of Thetford, Archdeacon Crosse, the Rev. H. Earle Bulwer (hon. sec.), the Revs. A. G. Blyth, C. F. Blyth, Coleman, E. C. Hopper, W. Mr. Smith, J. H. Pilkington, T. H. Marsh and F. J. Moule, Mr. George Day, Mr. F. Rees, and others. After luncheon, the Chairman expressed his regret at the absence of the President (the Rev. Dr. Raven), who on the last occasion on which they met at Norwich distinguished himself by his genial presidency. He then gave the toast of 'The Queen and the Royal Family.' Mr. F. W. Rees proposed 'The Health of the Bishop and Clergy of the Diocese,' which was acknowledged by the Bishop of Thetford.

The Hon. Secretary then read the annual report, which stated that the twelve months that had elapsed since the last annual meeting had been distinguished by few events of stirring interest so far as the work of the Association was concerned. They had, however, witnessed the completion of the Society's twenty-first year, and the retrospect which that fact suggested would be found of some interest. There could be no doubt that in those twenty-one years a great improvement, generally, had been effected in things and persons campanological, in the bringing about of which the action and influence of the associations and guilds throughout the country had had a very considerable share. The growth of their own society in that time had greatly exceeded the expectations of those who were instrumental in first forming it, and with that growth had come improvement in other more important directions, the extent of which could only be properly appreciated by those who had watched and marked it closely and carefully. The event of the past year had been the augmentation of the ring at St. Nicholas', Great Yarmouth, to twelve bells. The diocese now boasts the possession of three twelve-bell rings, which cannot be said of any other Association area outside the Metropolis. The numerical strength of the Association remains about the same as it was last year. Without greater energy in recruiting and bringing more towers into union, their ambition to count a thousand names on the roll of members must still be far from realisation. They had lost four members by death in the twelve months—Miss Blencowe of Lynn and Mr. J. C. Copeman of Loddon, among the honorary members; with Mr. Charles Clements of Aylsham and Mr.

Joseph Woods of Banham. Two towers had come into union, viz. Thornham Magna and Chediston, while Southwold had rejoined in the persons of three members of that company. There had been, so far as at present known, no withdrawals. The peal record for the past year exhibited a slight falling off as compared with the two or three previous years, the total number of performances being fifty-seven. Of restorations carried out during the year they had to record the strengthening of the frame and rehanging of all the bells, with the addition of two trebles, at St. Nicholas', Great Yarmouth—a work on which they heartily congratulated the Church authorities and ringers there; the rehanging in the new frame complete of the six at North Creake; the rehanging of the six at Gorleston; a new five-bell frame at Sparham, with new beams and floor, and the three existing bells rehanging; the fourth bell at Saham Toney recast and the others overhauled; the third recast at Hasketon and also at Peasenhall, where a new tenor has been added; the rehanging of the bells at Runham, where also one has been recast; the single bell at Great Snoring has been recast, and a new bell has been presented to Sandringham Church. Arrangements had been made for carrying out the decision arrived at concerning the Peal-book at the last annual meeting, and the recording of peals on the new plan was being proceeded with. This will result in a considerable saving of the society's funds. The financial position continued to improve. The expenses of the current year will be moderate; and a sufficient balance may be anticipated at its close to justify the committee in investing about 50% as a reserve fund, which it is very desirable should be done. Although from a business point of view they had every reason to be satisfied with the present position of the society, it must not be forgotten that, as compared with some other leading associations, they were not making the progress they should, either in point of membership or peal performances. Progress in these directions, however, were not so important as increased loyalty and attachment to the Church, and advance in faithful and devoted Churchmanship. It was here that the test should be applied by those who seek to ascertain the real value and usefulness of such an association. To conceal or belittle this consideration would be to be false to the true interests of the Association and every member of it, and to obscure the high purpose it has in view.

The report was adopted on the motion of the Chairman, who then proposed the toast of the day, 'Success to the Association,' which was responded to by the Hon. Secretary, who afterwards gave the 'Health of the Chairman.'

The President and the Hon. Secretary were both re-elected, and some honorary and ordinary members were also elected. During the proceedings the Chairman stated that the Central Council of Church Bell-ringers would hold their meeting in Norwich next Whitsuntide.

The Sussex County Association.

CENTRAL DIVISION.—A very successful district meeting of the above Association was held at Hurstpierpoint on Saturday, October 22nd, the following towers being represented, viz.: Brighton (St. Peter's and St. Nicolas'), Henfield, Lindfield, Lewes, Balcombe, and Hurst. Touches of GRANDSIRE and SPEDMAN TRIPLES were rung till tea-time, 6 p.m. Tea was followed by the business meeting, the Rector, the Rev. R. A. C. Bevan, presiding, supported by the Master of the Association (Mr. G. F. Attree), the Revs. A. H. Boyd and R. K. MacDermot, and Mr. Williams (Divisional Secretary), &c. The minutes of the last meeting having been read, the following members were elected: Rev. A. C. Bevan as a life member, the Rev. A. H. Boyd, an honorary member, Mr. W. Burkin, of Nutfield, Surrey, as a non-resident life-ringing member, and four additional names added to the local band. The Rector (who is only

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just appointed to Hurstpierpoint) gave the members a very hearty reception, and said he should be most willing to learn the art of change-ringing if the members would not consider it too much trouble to teach him. A vote of thanks to the Rector for granting the use of the bells, &c., was proposed by Mr. Attree, and suitably acknowledged. This concluded the meeting, when the tower was again visited and good practice done in the STANDARD and SURPRISE methods.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Baths and Wells Diocesan Association.

At St. Michael's, Minehead, Somerset, on October 18th, the Rev. C. D. P. Davies' Five-Part Peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 21 cwt.

George Stacey ..	1	John Pugsley (conductor) ..	5
George Atkins ..	2	Thomas Doble ..	6
Sidney Mason ..	3	Henry Moore ..	7
Rev. H. C. Courtney ..	4	James Reid ..	8

Rung on the occasion of the marriage of Miss Margaret Luttrell, granddaughter of the Vicar, to Mr. Yates. [*First peal.]

The Midland Counties Association.

At St. Paul's, Burton-on-Trent, on October 18th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 15 mins. Tenor, 26 cwt.

William G. Wakley ..	1	Edward I. Stone ..	5
John Benstead ..	2	Arthur Wakley ..	6
Harry Wakley ..	3	Joseph Griffin (condr.) ..	7
George Robinson ..	4	William Wakley ..	8

Rung with the bells half-muffled in memory of the Marquis of Anglesey, who was buried on that day.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At All Hallows Barking, Great Tower Street, E.C., on October 22nd, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins. Tenor, 19 cwt.

Walter S. Wise ..	1	Thomas Faulkner ..	5
Harry Hoskins ..	2	Thomas H. Taffender ..	6
Isaac G. Shade ..	3	John R. Sharman ..	7
William E. Garrard ..	4	W. T. Cockerill (condr.) ..	8

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow. This is thought to be the first peal of any SURPRISE method ever rung in the City of London.

HORNCHURCH, ESSEX.—Recently, at St. Andrew's Church, for Divine service, 720 DOUBLE COURT BOB MINOR. W. Halls, 1; A. J. Perkins (conductor), 2; G. R. Pye, 3; I. Dear, 4; W. Watson, 5; J. Dale, 6. Also 720 BOB MINOR. A. J. Perkins, 1; G. Tunbridge, 2; G. Dear, 3; I. Dear, 4; W. Watson (conductor), 5; J. Dale, 6.

DAGENHAM, ESSEX.—On Sunday evening, October 23rd, after Divine service, 720 KENT TREBLE BOB MINOR in 24 mins. A. Deards, 1;

R. Fenn, 2; C. Fenn, 3; A. J. Perkins, 4; E. Andrews, 5; A. Hardy (conductor), 6. Nine bobs. This is the first 720 on these bells since May 18th, 1884, when the last 720 BOB MINOR was rung, conducted by A. J. Perkins. These bells have recently been rehung and put into good ringing order by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank. Tenor, 13 cwt., in G.

FELISKIRK, YORKSHIRE.—In connexion with the harvest festival services recently held at the Parish Church at Feliskirk, near Thirsk, three new bells—the peal now being six bells, which have been presented by Mr. A. T. Walker, and a new clock by Mr. F. E. Walker, of Ravens-thorpe Manor—were dedicated by the Venerable Archdeacon of Cleveland. The bells have been cast by Messrs. Mallaby, of Masham, the clock made by Messrs. Potts, of Leeds, the woodwork intrusted to Mr. M. Westwick, of Thirsk, and the stonework to Messrs. P. Hutchinson and Son, of Boltby.

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Meetings for Practice.

The Royal Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day (November 4th).

The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Vassal Road, Brixton, on November 7th, and St. John's, Waterloo Road, on November 9th.

The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on November 8th; at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on November 9th; at St. Magnus, London Bridge, on November 10th, at 7.30; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on November 11th.

The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on November 10th.

The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on November 9th.

The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on November 10th.

The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on November 11th, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

THE 261st Anniversary Dinner will be held at the Champion Hotel, 15 Aldersgate Street, E.C., to-morrow, Saturday, November 5th, at 6.30 p.m. Tickets, 3s. 6d. each, may be bought of Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, Cockerill, Albert Coles, E. A. Davies, Garrard, Horrex, Hoskins, T. Mash, McLaughlin, J. C. Mitchell, Newton, O'Meara, Pettit, Prime, W. D. Smith, Springall, Taffender, and Winney. The towers of St. Michael's, Cornhill (12), and of St. Clement Danes, Strand (10), will be available for ringing from 4 to 6 p.m.

The Hertfordshire County Association.

A DISTRICT MEETING of the above Association was held at Berkhamsted on October 15th, when the following were present:—Messrs. Thos. Penny (churchwarden), F. Blunt, F. Norris, W. H. Newell (Berkhamsted), W. J. Shepherd, H. Golding (Hemel Hempstead), W. H. L. Buckingham, F. Smith, W. G. Whitehead (Bushey), B. Prewett (Oxhey), H. J. Rowe (Redbourne), J. Earwicker (St. Albans), E. P. Debenham (hon. sec.), H. Lewis and G. W. Cartmel (assist. hon. secs.).

During the afternoon and evening touches of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, STEDMAN TRIPLES, &c., were rung on the bells. Tea was partaken of at the 'George and Dragon' Coffee Tavern, after which the business meeting was held. Mr. Penny took the chair, and in the name of himself and the Rector, who was unavoidably absent, welcomed the ringers to Berkhamsted. The minutes of the last meeting were read by Mr. E. P.

Debenham and confirmed. The provisional election of W. Pickworth (Tottenham), W. Carpenter, G. Gibbard (Watford), and F. Barrett (Fulham), was also confirmed.

Mr. Rowe proposed that the next district meeting be held at Baldock. This was seconded by Mr. Lewis and carried. Mr. Buckingham proposed that visits be paid to the six-bell towers of Kings Langley, Hatten Bridge, and Abbots Langley. This was seconded by Mr. Newell and carried; the arrangements being left in the hands of the secretaries. A vote of thanks to the Rector for the use of the bells was proposed by Mr. Debenham, and seconded by Mr. Lewis. Mr. Penny replied on behalf of the Rector. Mr. Debenham then thanked the chairman for the welcome he had given to the ringers and for presiding at the meeting: seconded by Mr. Rowe, and carried. Mr. Penny suitably replied.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Midland Counties Association.

At St. Luke's, Blakenhall, Wolverhampton, on Saturday, October 15th, the Birmingham Amalgamated Society Branch rang a peal of BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 2 hrs. 54 mins. Tenor, 9½ cwt.

Henry Dawkes	1	Alfred T. Hyland	5
William Ellis	2	Alfred Flowers	6
Henry Middleton	3	James Jones	7
Thomas Collinson	4	John Carter	8

Composed and conducted by John Carter. The peal is in twelve parts, with the 6th twenty-four times at home, and only the 4th and 6th in 6th's place at the course-ends. The first composed and rung upon the plan.

The St. Mary Redcliffe Society.

At St. Nicholas', Bristol, on October 25th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5151 changes, in 3 hrs. 28 mins. Tenor, 36 cwt.

Frederick Pearce	1	Henry Pring	6
Herbert Tucker	2	Frank Gooding	7
Walter Porch	3	Henry Porch	8
Alfred Pearce	4	George T. Daltry	9
Gilbert Pearce	5	James Richmond	10

Composed by Henry Johnson and conducted by Henry Porch. [* First peal. † First peal of CATERS.]

The Hertfordshire Association.

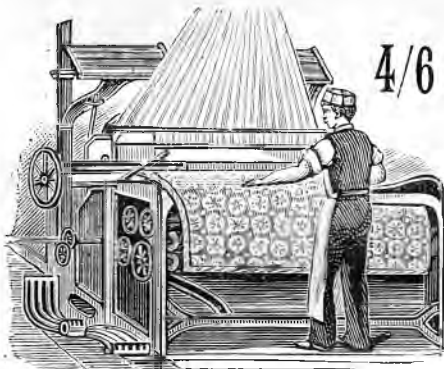
At St. John-the-Baptist's, Aldenham, on October 27th, Holt's Original peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 50 mins. Tenor, 15 cwt.

Henry J. Frivell*	1	William Hewitt	5
E. Percy Debenham	2	William J. S. Thorn	6
Francis J. Sharpe	3	W. H. L. Buckingham	7
Ernest E. Huntley (condr.)	4	Harry Mansfield	8

[* First peal.]

(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 1040.)

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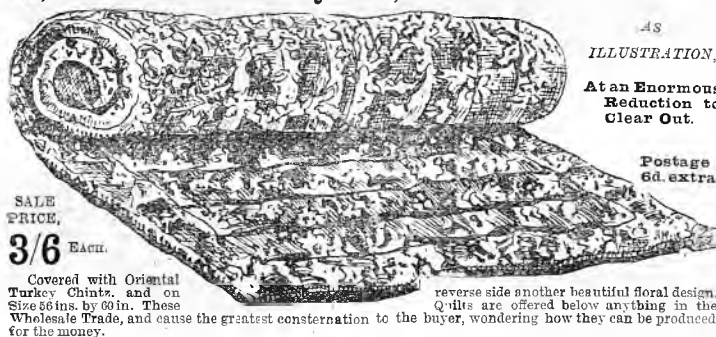


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Still I discovered something to interest me. For in that desolate region I found no less than six cases of life saved through Mr. Congreve's treatment of chest diseases. In the first of these, a young lady, with the modesty characteristic of the sex, is anxious that her name should not appear in print: but the facts were briefly given me, in her presence, by a friend, who will answer any bona fide inquiries as to the particulars here given. The friend is Mr. John Robertson, and this is his testimony:—

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As a matter of fact, at the time of my call the lady was out, although the weather was so inclement; but being sent for, returned immediately. Both she and her father were quite enthusiastic as they spoke of the cure effected, and said no praise could be too great for the medicine. The father added that a doctor attending her while she was under Mr. Congreve's treatment made no objection to her continuing it.

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The Essex Association.

At St. Michael's, Bishops Stortford, on October 25th, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 5 mins. Tenor, 20 cwt.

Henry J. Tucker ..	1	Ernest Pitstow ..	5
Nathan J. Pitstow ..	2	George Taylor ..	6
Alfred Pitstow ..	3	Rev. F. E. Robinson (condr.)	7
Frederick J. Pitstow ..	4	Arthur F. James ..	8

This is the first peal in the method on the bells.

Also at SS. Peter and Paul's, Lavenham, on October 26th, Thurstan's Four-part peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 4 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt., in D flat.

Arthur James ..	1	Ernest A. Pitstow ..	5
Charles Sillitoe ..	2	Alfred Pitstow ..	6
George Taylor ..	3	Rev. F. E. Robinson (condr.)	7
Henry J. Tucker ..	4	Arthur Symonds ..	8

This is the first peal in the method on the bells.

And at St. John-the-Baptist's, Leytonstone, on October 26th, a peal of MINOR, in 2 hrs. 51 mins., being 720 each of the following:—CAMBRIDGE SURPRISE, WOODBINE, OXFORD and KENT TREBLE BOB, DOUBLE OXFORD, DOUBLE COURT, and PLAIN BOB.

J. Moule ..	1	W. Miller ..	4
E. Wightman (condr.) ..	2	J. Mardell ..	5
W. Doran ..	3	T. H. Bams ..	6

[* First peal of MINOR in seven methods.]

The Sussex County Association.

At SS. Peter and Paul's, Tonbridge, Kent, on October 29th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 16 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

William Steed ..	1	John S. Goldsmith ..	5
William Burkin ..	2	Jack Preston ..	6
Frank Bennett ..	3	George Williams ..	7
George A. King ..	4	Keith Hart ..	8

Composed by Nathan J. Pitstow, conducted by Keith Hart. This is the first peal of SUPERLATIVE on the bells.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Barking, Essex, on October 29th, a peal of OXFORD TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 7 mins. Tenor, 22½ cwt.

Edward Lucas ..	1	Rowland Fenn ..	5
Thomas Faulkner ..	2	Ebenezer Andrews ..	6
Samuel Hayes ..	3	Albert Hardy ..	7
Caleb Fenn ..	4	Alfred W. Brighton ..	8

Composed by J. Reeve and conducted by Thomas Faulkner. First peal in the method on the bells since 1761.

The Kent County Association.

At St. John-the-Baptist's, Erith, on October 30th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 changes, in 3 hrs. 12 mins. Tenor, 18 cwt.

Harry Flanders* ..	1	John H. Cheesman* ..	5
Charles Wilkins ..	2	Edgar Wightman* ..	6
George R. Pye* ..	3	Ernest Pye ..	7
Alfred W. Brighton ..	4	William Pye ..	8

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff; conducted by William Pye. [* First peal in the method.]

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The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. Mary's, Bow, E., on November 14th; St. Paul's Cathedral, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on November 15th; Christ Church, Spitalfields, on November 16th; St. Stephen's, Westminster, on November 18th.

Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's - in - the - Fields, on November 18th.

The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on November 16th.

The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on November 16th.

The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on November 17th.

The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on November 18th at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

'THIS Society was founded November 5th, 1637, in the reign of Charles I. Its name is derived from the first members, Lord Brereton, Sir Cliff Clifton, Knight, and others, meeting at St. Martin's, College Hill, Upper Thames Street, to practise ringing.' So run the open-

ing words of the historical sketch in the Society's Rule-books. It was quite fitting, therefore, that the 261st anniversary should be celebrated on Saturday last. By the kind permission of the Rectors, the bells of St. Michael's, Cornhill, and St. Clement Danes, Strand, were rung in the afternoon. At 6.30 a move was made to the 'Champion Hotel,' Aldersgate Street, where an excellent dinner was served to the numerous gathering, presided over by the Master of the Society, Mr. Walter Prime. Letters and telegrams expressing regret at not being able to attend, and wishing success to the meeting, were received from Sir Arthur Percival Heywood, Bart.; the Rev. Montague Fowler, Messrs. W. W. Gifford, F. M. Butler, and J. C. Mitchell. The first toast honoured was 'The Church, Queen, and Royal Family,' proposed by the Master and responded to by the Ven. the Archdeacon of London. This response was listened to with deep interest. The Archdeacon described the different branches of Church work, and most ably showed the qualities necessary in men to become good ringers, and also how these habits are improved by the art of change-ringing. The second toast was also proposed by the Master ('The Ancient Society of College Youths'), and the Vice-Chairman, Mr. E. A. Davis, responded. The remaining toast ('London and Provincial Ringing Societies') was proposed by Mr. F. E. Dawe, and Mr. R. A. Daniell (Master of the Cumberland Society) and Mr. G. H. Phillott (of the Gloucester and Bristol Association) responded.

The Vice-Chairman and Mr. F. E. Dawe both spoke of the neglect

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which exists in many churches, both London and country, in all matters connected with bells and belfries. Some of them are so dirty that it is impossible to enter them with a decent suit of clothes on. Others are not provided with ropes, and in many cases the bells have received no thorough attention from the bell-hanger since they were put up, perhaps 200 or more years ago. This apparent neglect on the part of the clergy and churchwardens makes a breach between the east and west ends of the church. Mr. J. W. Taylor, jun., of Loughborough, also spoke of the defects he frequently comes across in his business—badly lit and badly ventilated ringing-rooms, scarcity of pegs for hats and coats, and dark and dirty approaches to the belfries. It is hoped that these matters will receive attention, and that where there is a ring of bells in the tower they shall be put in such a condition that they can be properly rung, as was intended by the donors generations ago.

A good musical programme had been drawn up, and was opened by the National Anthem. Two glees, 'Strike the lyre' (T. Cooke) and 'Comrades in Arms' (Adolphe Adam), were very effectively sung by members of the St. George's Glee Union, under the conductorship of Mr. Joseph Monday. The songs, 'Once' (Mr. G. H. McCann), 'A fine old English gentleman' (Mr. T. Ellis), 'Mary' (Mr. A. Pawsey), 'Sandy McCuskey' (Mr. A. Ellis), 'Those Wedding Bells' (Mr. F. W. Horrex), and 'Australia' (Mr. D. S. Prime) were very ably rendered, and gave much pleasure. 'Useful Presents,' a recitation by Mr. G. Rankin, evoked much laughter, and GRANDSIRE CINQUES on handbells, by Messrs. W. H. L. Buckingham, Winney, Sillitoe, Wood, Pates, and Wise, received due attention. Mr. Sillitoe also presided at the pianoforte. The anniversary closed with the singing of 'Auld lang syne.'

At the meeting to be held at the Coffee Pot, Warwick Lane, on November 15th, after ringing at St. Paul's Cathedral, the Election of Officers for the ensuing year will take place.

A Devon Ringers' Meeting.

A MEETING was held at Talaton on the 25th ult. with the object of bringing together the ringers of the deanery of Ottery for ringing and social intercourse. Two years ago a very successful meeting was held at Sidbury, seventy ringers responding to the invitation. It was decided to repeat the experiment this year, Talaton being selected as the place of meeting with a fine peal of six bells. Eight bands—from Broadhembury, Harpford, Ottery, Payhembury, Plymtree, Sidbury, Sidmouth, and Talaton—expressed their intention of taking part in the gathering, and mustered to the number of about sixty. Half an hour was the time allotted to each band to ring at the parish church, and on the whole the bands deserve to be congratulated on the skilful handling of the bells, some in round-ringing, others in change-ringing. After tea, provided in the school, the Rev. M. Kelly, R.D., and president of the Devon Guild of Ringers, addressed those present on the object of the gathering, which was intended to cement the bond of fellowship existing amongst ringers, and reminded them of the duties and dignity of the ringers' office as churchworkers. A short service in church followed, an address being delivered by the Rector, the Rev. R. Jenkins, on the aim of all true work, that it be done to the glory of God. At the conclusion of the service, some bands rang on the church bells; others, with Mr. Kelly as conductor, went in for short touches in change-ringing on the handbells. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the Rev. R. and Mrs. Jenkins for kindly receiving the ringers, and to the Rev. F. Molineux for organizing the gathering.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Herefordshire Association (The Bushey Society).

At St. James's, Bushey, Herts, on November 2nd, a peal of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5024 changes, in 3 hrs. Tenor, 13 cwt.

Walter H. L. Buckingham	1	William I. Oakley*	.. 5
William E. Oakley	.. 2	William J. Thorn*	.. 6
Herbert Martin	.. 3	Frank A. Smith	.. 7
Frederick Edwards	.. 4	Ernest E. Huntley	.. 8

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The Kent County Association.

At St. Margaret's, Lee, Kent, on November 3rd, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 50 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

W. Crowder	.. 1	Isaac G. Shade	.. 5
Harry Hoskins*	.. 2	H. Warnett	.. 6
John J. Lamb	.. 3	F. W. Thornton (condr.)	.. 7
Thomas Taylor	.. 4	W. H. Preece*	.. 8

Rung on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the induction of the Rector (the Rev. F. H. Law, M.A.), also the twenty-fifth birthday of H. Hoskins. [* First peal.]

The Cheltenham and District Guild.

At the Parish Church, Cheltenham, on November 4th, a peal of STEDMAN CATERS, 5073 changes, in 3 hrs. 23 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

F. Wade*	.. 1	Rev. G. F. Coleridge	.. 6
G. H. Phillott	.. 2	F. Musty	.. 7
F. Townsend	.. 3	W. T. Pates	.. 8
F. E. Ward	.. 4	T. Pendry*	.. 9
W. Brinkworth	.. 5	A. W. Humphris	.. 10

Composed and conducted by W. T. Pates. [* First peal.]

DARLSTON.—On Thursday evening, October 27th, a date touch of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES was rung on the bells of St. Lawrence's Church in 1 hr. 7 mins. John Mark, 1; George Morgan, 2; Sikes Lowe, 3; James Adams, 4; John A. Brown, 5; Edward Unitt, 6; William Smith, 7; John Hamilton, 8. Tenor, 20 cwt. Composed and conducted by Mr. John A. Brown, and rung with the bells half-muffled as a token of respect to the memory of the late Mr. William Foster, who was for many years one of the Darlston ringers, and whose death occurred on the 16th ult., and the interment in Darlston Cemetery on the 22nd. Mr. J. A. Brown came from Bilston, J. Adams from Willenhall, J. Hamilton from Walsall; the remainder are of the local band.

RUGBY, WARWICKSHIRE.—At St. Andrew's, on October 30th, for Divine service, 336 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. A. Coleman, 1; R. Watson, 2; A. J. Gillings, 3; A. Dubber, 4; J. George (conductor), 5; C. J. B. Cooke, 6; H. King, 7; J. W. Shotton, 8. And on Monday, October 31st, for practice, 504 GRANDSIRE TRIPLES. J. Coales, 1; R. Watson, 2; C. J. B. Cooke, 3; A. J. Gillings, 4; A. Dubber, 5; J. George (conductor), 6; H. King, 7; J. W. Shotton, 8.

BURMARSH, KENT.—At a meeting held recently at the rectory, under the presidency of Mr. Checksfield, churchwarden, it was decided that the (For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 1064.)

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three ancient bells at the parish church should be retuned and quarter-turned, and that a new tenor and treble should be added to make a ring of five bells. The Rector announced that the subscriptions already amounted to 101*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.*, and that, in addition to that sum, he had received a cheque for 60*l.* from a lady who wished to give the tenor bell; the sum required to be raised for defraying the cost of the new treble bell was 40*l.* As the restoration would take from three to four months it was thought that the order might be at once given to Messrs. Mears & Stainbank to carry out the whole of the proposed work, it being hoped that further subscriptions might in the meanwhile be received.

REIGATE CHURCH BELLS.—The wardens of the Parish Church, Messrs. G. Jackson and H. Ongley, have addressed the following letter to the Mayor and Corporation of Reigate:—‘We beg to enclose an appeal, issued to the inhabitants of this borough, asking for subscriptions for the repairing and rehanging of the bells in the Parish Church, and we hope that it is not out of place if we ask for some help from you, as both Redhill and Reigate are equally served by them at public and private functions. We, as churchwardens, feel that those who attend the church cannot be expected to bear all the expense, but we have given a substantial amount from the funds in our charge. Up to now about 60*l.* has been sent us, but another 200*l.* is urgently wanted if the bells are to be heard again.’

LEIGH, DORSET.—A new bell has just been added to the parish peal by way of commemorating the Diamond Jubilee, the work having been executed by Mr. T. Blackburn, of Salisbury. The bell, which was cast by Messrs. Mears & Stainbank, of Whitechapel, weighs 5 cwt. 52 lb., and bears the inscription, ‘Added to the peal by subscription as a memorial of Queen Victoria’s Diamond Jubilee Reign, 1837–1898.’ A small sum yet remains to be paid off.

LUNDY ISLAND.—On September 22nd, for the first time in history, the music of a ring of church bells was heard on the lonely island of Lundy, at the entrance of the Bristol Channel. It will be remembered that, some year or two ago, the owner of the island, the Rev. H. G. Heaven, built a pretty little church, which was dedicated to St. Helen. Since then a full ring of eight bells has been added, and, at the invitation of the donor, the ringers of Ilfracombe parish church, who are members of the Devonshire Guild, were invited to ring the first peal. A special trip was made by Messrs. P. & A. Campbell’s steamer, *Lady Margaret*, and about 400 passengers from Minehead, Lynton, and Ilfracombe availed themselves of the opportunity of visiting the island. The weather was delightful. The ringers and members of the Guild included the Rev. Prebendary Martin (vicar of Ilfracombe), the Rev. Hugh Pigott (vicar of Simonsbath, Exmoor), Messrs. G. Bowen, R. Dadds, A. Dadds, F. Reed, W. Slocombe, W. Carnell, J. German, R. Slocombe, W. Vickery, and P. Gibbs. Upon arrival the party were entertained at luncheon by Mr. Heaven, after which an adjournment was made to the belfry. Here touches of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES** were rung. The striking was very good. The ring is a good one, and the tenor weighs 15 cwt. The Rev. H. G. Heaven was much pleased with the result, and cordially thanked the ringers for their visit.

WOODBURY, DEVON.—This village, which is seven miles or so south-east of Exeter, was *en fête* on the Feast of St. Wilfrid, two new treble bells there being dedicated in the western tower of its ancient church, which is dedicated to the perpetual honour of St. Swithun, of Winchester. The tower already held six bells, five of them respectively dated 1629, 1677, 1605, 1624, and 1737. The fourth bell is not dated, but has inscribed upon it a prayer to the Virgin, in ancient characters. The new bells, now making a ring of eight, have been subscribed for by the parishioners as a memorial to their late and beloved Vicar, the Rev. John Loveband Fulford, M.A., who went to his rest early this year, after being their hard-working Vicar since 1842. A memorial brass, fixed on the south side of the chancel, immediately over the place which Mr. Fulford so long occupied, was also solemnly unveiled. It is inscribed: ‘The two trebles were added to the peal of bells in this church A.D. 1898, by the parishioners, relatives, and other friends, to the glory of God, and in memory of the Rev. John Loveband Fulford, M.A., for upwards of fifty-two years Vicar of Woodbury, who fell asleep 12th March, 1898.’ The dedication was performed by the Bishop of Crediton, who afterwards preached.

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Bells and Bell-ringing.

Meetings for Practice.

The Royal Cumberland Youths: at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, to-day (November 18th).
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Vassal Road, Brixton, on November 21st, and St. John's, Waterloo Road, on November 23rd.
The Ancient Society of College Youths: at St. John at Hackney, and St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington, on November 22nd; at St. Mary Matfelon, Whitechapel, on November 23rd; at St. Stephen's, Westminster, on November 25th.
The St. Margaret's Society: at St. Margaret's, Westminster, on November 24th.
The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on November 23rd.
The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on November 24th.
The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on November 25th, at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At a meeting held on November 15th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Master, Mr. H. R. Newton; Treasurer, Mr. J. Pettit; Senior Steward, Mr. T. H. Taffender; Junior Steward, Mr. J. R. Sharman; Trustees, Messrs. C. F. Winney and W. Prime; Secretary, Mr. W. T. Cockerill. The sum of 1s. 8d. in lieu of booking fees is now due.

The Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Association.

On October 31st the members of this Association held their annual meeting in Newcastle. Divine service having been attended in the Lady Chapel of St. Nicholas'—where a sermon was preached by the Rev. Edgar Boddington—dinner was partaken of at the 'Crown Hotel.' Mr. R. S. Story (Whitley) presided at the business meeting. Mr. Thomas Hudson (secretary) read the twenty-first annual report, which stated that since its formation the Association had gradually increased in numbers and in influence. The art of change-ringing had been greatly advanced. The church bells were better cared for, and the ringers were being freely recognised as Church workers. Although progress had been made, there remained a great deal to be done. Allusion was made to the loss by death of the Rev. F. Steggall, vicar of Consett, who was an old friend of the Association. Since the last report, the Church of St. Ignatius, Sunderland, had obtained a very musical ring of five bells from the Loughborough Foundry. The ringing of these bells was very creditably done by a band of young men, all members of the Association. Alluding to a local church where trouble had been experienced in bell-ringing, the report asked whether nothing could be done to dispel the ignorance of architects as to the requirements of bells and ringers? Some slight knowledge of these requirements would obviate many difficulties without in any case altering the outside appearance of the tower in the least. Twenty peals had been rung by the Association during the year, in seven different methods. Fifty-four ringers and seven conductors had taken part in these peals. The peal rung at the Newcastle Cathedral on March 24th, 1893, was noteworthy, as the bells were the heaviest upon which a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR had ever been rung. The financial condition of the Association was nearly the same as at the end of last year. Although the balance in hand was increased, this was accounted for by the fact that nothing had been spent on the peal-book. Reports from various belfries were read. The report, in conclusion, referred to the retirement from office of the Secretary, Mr. Hudson, who had held the post for four and a half years. The report was adopted. The election of officers resulted as follows:—President, Mr. Story; Vice-Presidents, Messrs. T. Hudson (Sunderland) and F. Harrison (Jarrow); Secretary and Treasurer, Mr. C. L. Routledge (Newcastle). A vote of condolence with the family of the late Vicar of Consett was unanimously adopted. It was decided that the next meeting should be held at Winlaton in February, and the following meeting at Consett on Whit-Monday.

'Ancient Church Bells in England.'

THE following is from the *Times* of September 21st:—

'Now that descriptions of the church bells in various counties have been published and some particulars obtained about certain of the old bell-founders, it is natural to find a campanologist collecting the available data on mediæval bells, and endeavouring to connect the marks upon the bells with the known founders. And this is the scope of *Ancient Church Bells in England*, by the Rev. E. Andrews Downman. But such work needs great accuracy, careful references to authorities, and a sturdy logic that refuses to jump to hasty conclusions, none of which are here to be found. For example:—

"'Founder: John Langhorne, of London, 1379-1405? Stahlschmidt found in the records of the city of London that there was a John Langhorne who probably was a bell-founder, 1379-1405. We have a shield with the initials 'R. L.' upon it, probably standing for Robert Langhorne, possibly the father of John. This shield is found on bells

bearing marks in close connexion with the marks of Stephen Norton. . . . Probably John Langhorne was a worker in Norton's family," &c. Not a single fact is given to connect the R. L. who used Norton's marks with John Langhorne, but on the strength of the numerous hypotheses which we have italicised a number of bells are ascribed to this John Langhorne, and it will be observed that no authority is given even for the existence of the assumed Robert, nor any reason for the supposition that John was brought up in Norton's works, although his own father Robert was an independent founder.

'Again, Mr. Downman mentions that in the fifteenth century both Danyell and Jordan were employed by King's College, Cambridge, and he assigns the tenor there to Danyell without a hint that Dr. Raven, in his *Cambridgeshire Bells*, has arrived at the contrary conclusion. And in describing this famous bell, which was sold more than a century ago, he states that it bore the Royal arms uncrowned, whereas the drawing reproduced in Mr. J. W. Clark's paper shows crowns over both shields; and he passes over entirely the remarkable stamp of the Crucifixion. It may be that his conclusions are correct, but he should not expect us to accept them upon his mere *ipse dixit*. Names and dates are inserted with such apparent recklessness that the heading "Founder uncertain" comes as a positive relief. But the present copy of the book is described as belonging to an "Advance edition issued privately," so that we may hope that before it is finally published it will be carefully revised and the authority stated for every statement which it contains. The idea of the book is good, and it is a great advantage to find the marks on the same page as the letterpress, instead of their being, as usual, collected in a series of plates at the end of the volume.'

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Society for the Archdeaconry of Stafford and the Worcestershire and Districts Association.

At St. Martin's, Tipton, Staffordshire, on November 12th, a peal of DOUBLE NORWICH COURT BOB MAJOR, 5184 changes, in 3 hrs. 10 mins. Tenor, 12 cwt. 25 lbs.

Samuel Reeves*	1	Harry Mason	5
Thomas Reynolds..	2	William Micklewright	6
William J. Smith *	3	William Short	7
William Rock Small	4	John Barber	8

Composed by Gabriel Lindoff, conducted by William Short. Rung on the one-hundredth anniversary of the bells being placed in the tower, also as a birthday compliment to the tower-keeper, Mr. W. Rock Smith. [*First peal in the method.]

The Waterloo Society.

At All Saints', Fulham, on November 12th, a peal of STEDMAN CATER, 5035 changes, in 3 hrs. 20 mins. Tenor, 21 cwt.

Harry Barton	1	George E. Symonds	6
James W. Driver	2	Reuben Charge	7
William H. Webber	3	Victor W. West	8
Arthur P. Davis	4	Cornelius Charge	9
Frederick G. Perrin	5	Harold N. Davis	10

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(For remainder of Bell-ringing see page 1084.)

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With Rev. S. S. ALLSOP, Baptist Minister, Long Eaton, Derbyshire, in May, 1898.

Mr. Allsop and I had met before this occasion, but as his knowledge of Mr. Congreve's treatment extends over thirty years, his testimony cannot fail to be interesting.

'I have a case in hand now,' said Mr. Allsop, 'which I have succeeded with medicine for more than two years. I am certain it has kept the woman out of her grave. She herself says that she owes her life to it. In another case—at Beeston, in Notts.—the medicine was of great service. The woman was seriously ill—we all thought she wouldn't survive. But she recovered her health, and the last I heard of her she was indulging in cycling. The most remarkable case I know was that of a young person who was given up by her doctor. I was sent for in my ministerial capacity, when she was in extremis. After some conversation I asked her father to let me send her some medicine. I did so. The result was that she got well. She is now married, living in the North of England, and enjoying good health. I heard of her when I was in Burton a few days ago. My experience of the medicine goes back over the last thirty years, and during that time I have known of many striking cases of cure. I have the very highest opinion of its restorative qualities.'

Since the above interview, Mr. Allsop wrote on Oct. 7th as follows:—

'The case I mentioned to your representative [the first referred to in the above interview] is deriving great advantage from the use of the medicine, and it has certainly kept her from an early grave.'

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The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At All Saints', Edmonton, on November 12th, a peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES** (Brook's Variation), 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins. Tenor, 17 cwt.

James Pettit	1	Frank Carter	5
George Peace	2	William A. Alps (condr.)	6
Sydney T. Darlington ..	3	Henry A. Barnett	7
Alfred W. Darlington ..	4	Percy J. Darlington ..	8

At the Abbey Church of St. Margaret, Birking, Essex, on November 10th, Hol's Original peal of **GRANDSIRE TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 1 min. Tenor, 22½ cwt.

Caleb Fenn	1	Rowland Fenn	5
Albert Deards	2	John R. Sharman	6
Alfred J. T. Carter	3	Albert Hardy	7
Alfred W. Brighton (condr.)	4	Edward Lucas	8

The Sussex County Association.

At St. Mary's, Battle, on November 12th, Thurstans' Four-part peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES**, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 6 mins. Tenor, 23 cwt.

Frank Bennett	1	Walter Franks*	5
Sydney Saker*	2	John S. Goldsmith	6
William Thomas*	3	George Williams (condr.)	7
Keith Hart	4	William Eldridge*	8

First peal in the method on the bells. Rung on the sixth anniversary of the first peal by a local band. [* First peal of **STEDMAN**.]

The Norwich Diocesan Association.

At St. Mary's, Huntingfield (by permission of the Rev. R. S. Turner), a peal of **DOUBLES**, 5040 changes, was rung by members of the Halesworth district in 2 hrs. 50 mins., the methods being **MORNING STAR**, **OLD DOUBLES**, **PLAIN BOB**, **APRIL DAY**, and **GRANDSIRE**.

H. Barrell	1	R. Tracy	4
F. Lambert (conductor) ..	2	J. Punchard	5
A. Took	3		

Mr. W. Bloomfield made the necessary arrangements for the peal.

SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE CHANGE-RINGERS' ASSOCIATION.—The quarterly meeting was held at Glington, representatives attending from Stamford, Crowland, Peterborough, Pinchbeck, and Market Deeping. After service at church, dinner was served at the 'Blue Ball' inn, the Vicar presiding. At the business meeting, Mr. R. Wyche was in the chair. Mr. W. T. Johnson, of Peterborough, was elected a skilled member. The next meeting is to be at Stamford in January. A vote of thanks was given to the Rev. R. C. Faithfull for the use of the bells. Touches were rung during the day, including 360 **BOB MINOR**: C. Harper, 1; E. Popple, 2; J. Davis, 3; B. T. Shillaker, 4; G. Dadd, 5; F. Dennison (conductor), 6. 720 **BOB MINOR**: T. Palmer, 1; J. Thorpe, 2; J. Davis, 3; B. T. Shillaker, 4; G. Wells, 5; R. Brightman, 6. 360 **BOB MINOR**: T. Palmer, 1; G. Ladd, 2; F. Dennison, 3; B. T. Shillaker, 4; G. Wells, 5; R. Brightman, 6. Also a long touch of **OXFORD TREBLE BOB**: G. Ladd, 1; R. Wyche, 2; E. Gale, 3; R. S. Cox, 4; C. Harper, 5; F. Dennison, 6.

MITCHAM.—At SS. Peter and Paul's, on November 13th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of **STEDMAN TRIPLES** (taken from Haley's Variation of Thurstans' Four-part) in 41 mins. R. Sewell, 1; J. D. Drewitt, 2; F. M. Butler (conductor), 3; J. A. Lambert, 4; E. Lambert, 5; A. Calver, 6; J. Fayers, 7; W. S. Smith, 8.

WEST HADDON, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE.—On Sunday, November 6th (Feast Sunday), according to custom a peal was rung between seven and eight o'clock in the morning, consisting of Six-score of **GRANDSIRE** and three peals (360 changes), rung in 20 mins. George Baxter, 1; George Watts, 2; James Tarry, 3; Wm. Orland, 4; Charles Line, 5. The inscriptions on the various bells are as follows: (Treble.) John Gulliver and Thomas Burnham 1636. (Tenor.) Be it known to all that doth mee see that Newcombe of Leicester made mee. (Second.) Thomas Burnham and Thomas Parnell, Churchwardens. H. B. 1682. (Third.) James Charters, Vicar; Thomas Collis, Robt. Boddington, Churchwardens. Edward Arnold, Leicester, fecit. (Fourth.) John Lucas,

J. L. and William Kilsley, Churchwardens. Gloria Patri, Filii, et Spiritui Sancto. Anno Dom. 1729.

SOUTHGATE.—The annual report of the Middlesex County Bell-ringers' Association contains the following reference to the late Vicar of Southgate, the Rev. C. F. Wilson: 'Nor must we pass by without a special word of regret the loss sustained in the death of the late Vicar of Southgate. He was in the habit of presiding at our annual meeting: he came in and out among us at all times; he gladly gave us the use of his beautiful bells at Southgate and in his active and kindly sympathy endeared himself to all who had the privilege of knowing him.'

TOTNES.—It is the intention of the Vicar and churchwardens of St. Michael's to erect a brass tablet in the church to commemorate the gift of the peal of bells last year in connexion with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The names of the parishioners who presented the bells will be inscribed on the tablet, together with the weight of each bell.

RUSHTON.—By kind consent of the Rev. C. M. Wetherall, a quarterly meeting of the Central Northamptonshire Association of Church Bell-ringers took place at Rushton on Saturday, October 29th. There was ringing from 2.30 to 7.30 p.m. Over thirty members from neighbouring places were present. The bells of the church of All Saints are now a ring of six. They were rehung two years ago and a treble added, the old second and tenor being at the same time recast, at a cost of about £800. The respective weights and dates are:—Treble, 3 cwt. 3 qrs. 3 lbs., 1896; second, 4 cwt. 26 lbs., 1720; third, 4 cwt. 1 qr. 9 lbs., 1806; fourth, 5 cwt. 16 lbs., 1844; fifth, 5 cwt. 2 qrs. 23 lbs., ancient; tenor, 8 cwt. 3 qrs. 26 lbs. 1896. The old tenor was dated 1593; the old second 1732. The present fourth bell was cast by Mears, of London. The fifth is an ancient 'alphabet' bell, without date, but probably cast by Watts, of Leicester. Rushton bells are a sweet little peal, and the belfry is a pattern of neatness and comfort. The local ringers are learning change-ringing under the tuition of Mr. W. Hensher, of Kettering. There was tea at five o'clock and business meeting of delegates afterwards, in the Working Men's Institute. Kettering was fixed upon as the town for the next quarterly meeting, on February 11th, 1899. The Rev. W. Macmanus, rector of Broughton, and Mr. Thomas Smith, of Hardwyke, were elected honorary members, and the ringers of Broughton joined in a body as performing members.

REIGATE PARISH CHURCH BELLS.—The following is an extract from a recent issue of the *Surrey Mirror*: 'Sir,—The inspection of the bells of the parish church has resulted, as we feared, in a report that very substantial repairs are required. One bell is cracked and must be recast. A new framework ought to be made with more substantial timber, and the estimate for a complete restoration is 280l. This sum is far beyond the funds at the disposal of the churchwardens for such a purpose, and as the bells are, we believe, a pleasure to the whole parish, we think it only right to bring the matter before the entire population of Reigate and Redhill, in the hope that a fitting response may be made if the object is considered worthy of support. To recast the cracked bell, quarter-turn and rehang the bells in the present frame would cost about 110l., but it would be far better to have the work done thoroughly if the funds could be provided. The churchwardens would be glad to subscribe 20l. to the fund, and will be pleased to receive contributions thereto. Trusting this appeal will meet with a liberal response, we are, Sir, yours, &c., GEORGE JACKSON, H. ONGLEY, Churchwardens.'

WINDSOR CUREW TOWER.—The accident which occurred to the tenor bell in the Curew Tower at Windsor, on the occasion of ringing for the Duke of York's birthday, on June 3rd last, has resulted in a thorough overhaul of the ring. The bell, which fell on that day, happily was not injured. It was the third oldest of the eight, being inscribed, 'Searve Ye Lord in Fear,' and was recast in 1614. It was soon rehung, but when the work was being done it was thought fit to have the whole peal overhauled, with the result that it was found the bearings, gudgeons, and wheels of the other bells had rusted and worn with age. To put things in order again, it was necessary to replace the whole. The bells were intact with one exception, namely, the fifth, which had been cracked for the last thirty years. This was accordingly recast and the fittings all renewed, so that now everything is in order. The recast fifth bell has been inscribed, 'In honour of S. Georgi Martiris, E.G., S. Edwardi regis A.C. Confessoris, A.D. 1898.'

NOTICE.—In order that peals may be reported without delay, conductors should send particulars to Mr. W. T. COCKERILL, 37 Tradescant Road, South Lambeth, immediately after the events.

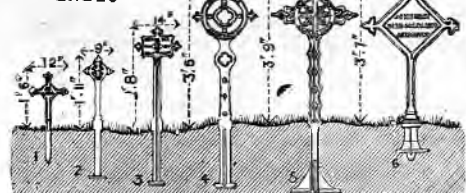
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Royal Cumberland Society: at St. Martin's - in - the - Fields, on December 2nd.
The Waterloo Society: at St. John's, Waterloo Road, on November 30th.
The St. Luke's Society: at St. Luke's, Chelsea, on November 30th.
The St. John's Society: at St. John's, Wilton Road, on December 1st.
The St. Alfege's Society: at St. Alfege's, Greenwich, on December 2nd at 7.45.—All the others about 8 p.m.

The Lancashire Association.

THE Liverpool Diocesan Branch of the above Association will hold their next monthly meeting on Saturday, December 3rd, at St. Nicholas' Church, Liverpool. The tower will be opened for ringing at three o'clock, and a meeting will be held in the belfry at six o'clock. It is hoped that members will endeavour to attend this meeting in larger numbers than has been the case on previous occasions.

GEORGE WOODALL, Secretary.

CHANGE-RINGING.

The Ancient Society of College Youths.

At Christ Church, Blackfriars, on November 19th, a peal of SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 changes, in 3 hrs. 3 mins. Tenor, 18 cwt.

John W. Golding ..	1	William H. Pasmore ..	5
Charles T. P. Brice ..	2	Frederick Dench ..	6
Henry R. Pasmore ..	3	Frank Buck ..	7
Arthur G. Ellis ..	4	Henry R. Newton ..	8

Composed by Frederick Dench, and conducted by Henry R. Newton. This is the first peal in the method on the bells.

The Surrey Association.

At the Parish Church, Bletchingley, on November 12th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 2 mins. Tenor, 19 cwt.

Walter Hawkins ..	1	William Burkin ..	5
George Huggett (conductor) ..	2	Henry Reeves ..	6
Frederick Balcombe ..	3	Francis T. Hoad, jun. ..	7
William Mayne ..	4	George Brown ..	8

ALSO at St. Giles's, Ashted, on November 12th, Taylor's Bob-and-Single peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 2 hrs. 48 mins. Tenor, 14 cwt.

Charles Otway ..	1	John Hoyle ..	5
Henry Corbett ..	2	John Wyatt (conductor) ..	6
Thomas Newnham ..	3	Arthur Dean ..	7
John White ..	4	David Anscourt ..	8

The Sussex County Association.

At Christ Church, Blacklands, Hastings, on November 19th, Holt's Ten-part peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 changes, in 3 hrs. 16 mins. Tenor, 20½ cwt.

Charles Carter ..	1	James Livermore ..	5
Walter Franks (conductor) ..	2	Sydney Saker ..	6
Leonard Stapeley ..	3	William D. Thomas ..	7
Frederick Lock ..	4	William H. Eldridge ..	8

This is the first peal on the bells, and was rung on the eve of the twentieth anniversary service. Six of the bells were hung in 1890, and two new trebles were added last year in commemoration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The ringers of 1, 2, 7, and 8 belong to the Battle Society, and the remainder to the local band. [* First peal.]

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The Chester Diocesan Guild and the St. Mary's Society of Change-ringers.

At St. Mary's, Stockport, on November 10th, a peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES (a variation of Holt's Ten-part) in 2 hrs. 56 mins. Tenor, 24 cwt.

W. Gordon (conductor) ..	1	J. Barlow ..	5
T. Sale ..	2	A. S. Gordon ..	6
A. Gordon ..	3	W. J. Thyng (Chesterfield) ..	7
G. D. Warburton ..	4	J. A. Gordon ..	8

PORTSEA.—At the Parish Church, on Sunday, November 13th, for Divine service, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 48 mins, by the local members of the Winchester Diocesan Guild. P. Hannam, 1; J. Harper, 2; E. Reynolds, 3; J. Symons, 4; W. J. Pickard, 5; F. S. Bayley, 6; E. Newman (first quarter-peal in the method as conductor), 7; H. C. Ingram (first quarter-peal in the method), 8. Also on Sunday, November 20th, a quarter-peal of GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 1260 changes, in 48 mins. P. Hannam, 1; A. D. Stone, 2; C. Groves, 3; J. Symons (conductor), 4; J. Harper, 5; J. T. Mathews, 6; E. Newman, 7; H. C. Ingram, 8.

WHITFIELD, GLOSSOP, DERBYSHIRE.—At St. James's Church, on November 13th, in honour of the Vicar's 'Silver Wedding,' a date touch of KENT TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 1898 changes, in 63 mins. F. Garside, 1; J. Marsden, 2; W. Hadfield, 3; E. Garside, 4; W. Marsden, 5; J. Lawton, 6; E. O. Rostron (conductor), 7; J. Dewnap, 8. Composed by F. Shaw of Huddersfield.

BRIGHTON.—On November 16th, at the residence of Mr. G. Williams, on handbells retained in hand, a quarter-peal of STEDMAN TRIPLES, 1260 changes (Thurstans). G. Williams (conductor), 1-2; F. Bennett, 3-4; K. Hart, 5-6; Mrs. G. Williams, 7-8. This was the first quarter-peal of STEDMAN by all, and was rung on the birthday of Mrs. G. Williams, who received the congratulations of the ringers, who are members of the Sussex County Association.

BELL-RINGING CURIOSITIES.—The entries relating to the ringing of the bells, which appear in the parish register of St. Thomas's, Salisbury, are decidedly interesting. Sixpence was paid to the 'ringers when newes came of the Queene of Scottes beheadinge;' and in 1609, 10s. 6d. on the anniversary of the day 'on which we were delivered from the gunpowder treason of the Papistes;' 7s. was disbursed the same year on account of the Gowrie conspiracy. In 1651, 18s. is earned for 'ringing on thanksgiving day.' This was in honour of the battle of Worcester. Salisbury was a Puritan town, so the churchwardens were more than usually liberal. On one occasion the parish suffered because its bells were silent. In 1644 Lord Goring's forces passed through, but no joy-peal was rung, for which sign of disloyalty the General mulcted the churchwardens in the sum of 10s. Owing to this, or more probably because the hearts of the people were with the cause he represented, when Sir Thomas Fairfax passed through in the following year, 5s. was spent in ringing the bells to bid him welcome.

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