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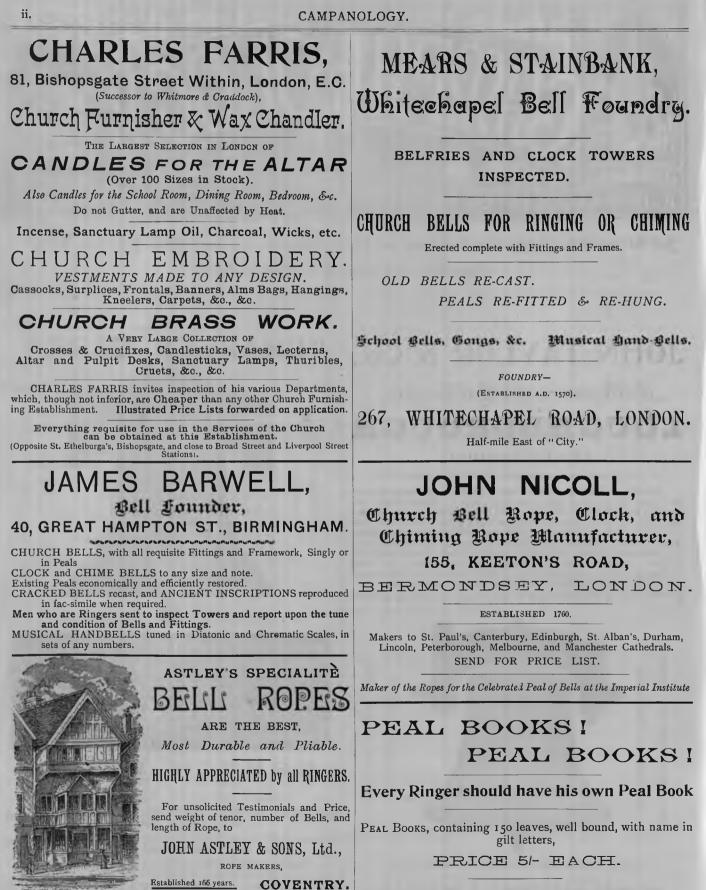
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W^E are asked to make a final appeal on behalf of our brother string, MR. DAVID WILSON, of Birstall. The committee are desirous of closing the list at the end of the month, and would be glad to receive any further subscriptions.

We hope the list may be largely augmented during the next few weeks, and feel sure that those of our brother ringers who have not as yet done so, will nobly respond to this appeal, and send in their contributions, large or small, towards this most deserving case.

Subscriptions should be sent to MR. JOHN WEST, Bradford Road, Birstall.

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We propose in our next issue to set apart in our paper, a column specially devoted to those who are beginning in the art, to be called "The Learner's Column." The object will be to give those who are desirous of knowing any particular part of the science, to ask questions, the explanations to appear the following week. We hope that this column will prove helpful and instructive to our many young friends, and thus increase the usefulness of our Journal.

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We are gratified to learn that the articles now appearing in *Campanology*, "From Treble Bob to London Surprise," are so highly appreciated by many young bands of ringers who are desirous of learning the higher methods. *Brother String* will be pleased to answer any questions concerning these articles.

Owing to the unusually large number of reports, &c., sent us this week for publication, we are compelled to leave out several Date Touches and other Compositions until next week.

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BORDEN CHANGE-RINGING SOCIETY.

On Thursday evening, December 31st, being New Year's Eve, the members of the above were invited to a capital supper by the Vicar of the Parish, the Rev. A. J. Wilson. The repast took place at the Maypole Inn, and was served up in Host George's usually good style, and which, needless to say, was done full justice to, and thoroughly enjoyed by all. On the cloth being removed, the balance sheet was presented by the Secretary, and the Society was congratulated by the Vicar on showing a good balance in the hands of the Treasurer. The Vicar then, having another engagement, and the time for such having arrived, a hearty vote of thanks, with musical honours, was accorded him, which was given in good Borden style.

The Vicar in a few encouraging words said how pleased he was to be amongst his ringers and urged them to unite strongly that the ringing might flourish and improve as it had done during the past year, and he hoped that all would be spared to meet in the same manner for many years to come, on parting he wished all a happy and prosperous New Year. The usual Toasts were then given and songs were the order of the evening until the time for dispersing arrived. The company then made their way to the Parish Church where a' capital touch of Stedman was rung before midnight. The customary fixing was then done and the New Year welcomed in with some good ringing, after which the company having exchanged hearty wishes with each other dispersed having all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. PRESENTATION TO A RINGER.

On Tuesday evening, December 15th, the members of the Tonbridge band met at the Church House, the object being a presentation to the Deputy Master, Mr. G. H. Stonestreet, on the occasion of his recent marriage. The present consisted of a handsome solid walnut overmantel, a gilded plate at the base of the frame bearing the following inscription :—

" Presented to Mr. G. H. Stonestreet, by the Tonbridge Bellringers, on the occasion of his marriage, November 21st, 1896."

The presentation was made, on behalf of the ringers, by Beauchamp Wadmore, Esq, the Master, Mr. C. Mitchell, being unfortunately ill. Mr. Stonestreet, in thanking the band, mentioned that change-ringing in

Mr. Stonestreet, in thanking the band, mentioned that change-ringing in Tonbridge had greatly improved during the last few years, but still there was much room for further advancement, especially in the more intricate methods.

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CAMPANOLOGY. CHANGE RINGING PERFORMANCES. Cinques. THE OXFORD DIOCESAN GUILD. 28 (THE OXFORD SOCIETY.) THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD. DRAYTON, BERKS. BIRMINGHAM On Thursday, January 8th, 1897, in Two Hours and Forty-four Minutes, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PETER, AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARTIN, A PEAL OF LONDON SURPRISE MAJOR, 5088 CHANGES, Tenor 36 cwt. CHARLES HOUNSLOW . Treble ! WM. J. WASHBROOK ... CHARLES EXON ... THOMAS PAYNE 2 PERCY HIND CHARLES FOWLER. ... 3 REV. F. E. ROBINSON .. FREDERICK EXON Composed by W. J. WASHBBOOK, and Conducted by REV. F. E. ROBINSON. 27 THE ANCIENT SOCIETY OF COLLEGE YOUTHS. AND THE ST. STEPHENS', WESTMINSTER, SOCIETY, Caters. LONDON. On Saturday, January 9th, 1897, in Three Hours and Twelve Minutes, THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN, WESTMINSTER, BEDFORD. A PEAL OF SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES. Tenor 25 cwt. AT THE CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, . Treble OHN N. OXBORROW **JAMES WILLSHIRE** SAMUEL E. ANDREWS ARTHUR G. ELLIS* .. 2 Tenor 28 cwt. 3 qrs. 6 lbs. CHAS. T. P. BRICE FRANK BUCK 3 . . HENRY S. ELLIS. HENRY R. NEWTON 4 ... Composed by N. J. PITSTOW, and Conducted by T. B. BRICE. * First in method. Rang as a birthday compliment to F. Buck, his brother strings wishing him many happy returns. The composition appears on page 107 of Appendix, centre peal. Composed and Conducted by CHARLES W. CLARKE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. 28 DEANE, LANCASHIRE. THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION. MANCHESTER. AT THE PARISH CHURCH, AT THE CATHEDRAL, Tenor 124 cwt. Tenor 25 cwt THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION. 29 Major. PENSHURST, KENT. (THE ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD), AT THE CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, BRISTOL. On Wednesday, January 6th, 1897, in Three Hours and Fifteen Minutes, IN THE KENT VARIATION Tenor 171 cut AT THE CHURCH OF ST. STEPHEN THE MARTYR, G

A	PEAL	UL	IK	GDL	G	DOD	MAJUR,	5000	CIL	AIN	UES	2,	
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CHARLES H. HORTON . FREDERICK ELLES	· · · 2	CHARLES TOMKINS CHARLES H. GORDON WILLIAM A. CAVE W. JAMES HINTON	6 7
		iducted by W. JAMES HINTON.	,401

A note to this peal will be found on another page.

On Monday, December 28th, 1896, in Three Hours and Forty-three Minutes,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CINQUES 5214 CHANGES,

WILLIAM HANCOX		•••	7	veble	JOHN S. PRITCHETT			7			
THOMAS MILLER				2	SAMUEL SPITTLE			8			
WM. S. PRITCHETT					WILLIAM GREENLEAF						
JAMES E. GROVES					FREDERICK CLAYTON						
HENRY BASTABLE		**		5	WILLIAM KENT		••	II			
SAMUEL REEVES				6	REUBEN HALL	••		Tenor			
Composed and Conducted by JOHN S. PRITCHETT.											

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On Monday, January 4th, 1897, in Three Hours and Thiry-seven Minutes,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5147 CHANGES,

HARRY TOLL +		Treble	FREDERICK KEECH	6
			JAMES N. FROSSELL	
			ISAAC HILLS	
			CHARLES WM. CLARKE	
WILLIAM LIGHTFOOT*	• •	5	FRANK HULL	Tenor
			0 111 0	

* First peal. † First peal on ten bells. ‡ First peal on ten bells away from treble. This peal has the 5th and 6th each 24 times behind the 9th. This peal was arranged for Mr. J. N. Frossell, of St. Peter's, Brighton, a late member of the Bedford Company.

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On Wednesday, January 6th, 1897, in Three Hours, and Sixteen Minutes,

A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE CATERS, 5003 CHANGES,

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WALTER SMETHURST		T	reble	ALBERT E. WREAKS 6
ALFRED WILSON ⁺		••	2	JOHN EACHUS 7
RALPH RAVENSCROFT			3	GEORGE F. WOODHOUSE 8
WILLIAM RYDER				GEORGE F DEAN* 9
Edmund Hewitt ⁺	••	• •	5	CHARLES FAIRLEY* Tenor
Composed by ARTHUR K	NIGH	ITS,	and	Conducted by GEO. F. WOODHOUSE
with the all to Triant much ad	0.1		+ 121-	at most subth a bab hall

* First peal. + First peal of Caters. ‡ First peal with a bob bell.

GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL ASSOCIATION 25

OF TOFRIE BOR MALOD

On Saturday, Fanuary 9th, 1897, in Two Hours and Fifty-seven Minutes,

A PEAL OF BOB MAJOR, 5056 CHANGES,

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TITUS BARLOW*		• •	7	Preble	JOHN MOSCROP*	••	• •		5
THOMAS PEERS*	••	••	••	2	HENRY Moss+	• •	••	••	6
Joshua Harper James Gratrix	••	••	••	3	RICHARD RIDYAL	RD	••	••	_7
JAMES GRATRIX	••	••	• •	4	GEORGE F. WOO	DHO	JSE	•••	Tenor
Composed by I	E D			-2 0-	advected by Care	D I			

Composed by J. E. BURTON, and Conducted by GEO. F. WOODHOUSE.

* First peal. † First in the method. This is the first peal in the method on the bells. Gratrix hails from Prestwick, Moss from Bolton, Ridyard from Worsley, Woodhouse from Manchester, the rest belong to the local company.

On Saturday, January 9th, 1897, in Three Hours and Thirteen Minutes.

A PEAL OF TREBLE BOB MAJOR, 5120 CHANGES,

IN THE REAL	 	101101 1/2 0111					
		DAVID WRIGHT*					
GEORGE HEAD	 2	JACK PRESTON	ŏ				
		WILLIAM LATTER					
STEPHEN PERKINS	 4	THOMAS GROOMBRIDGE	. Tenor				

Composed by GABRIEL LINDOFF and Conducted by THOS. GROOMBRIDGE.

"First peal of Major. First peal of Major with a bob bell. This is the first peal on the bells, which were recently augmented to eight. Wright and Selby hail from Westerham, Stonestreet from Tonbridge, Head, Perkins, and Latter from Tunbridge Wells, Preston from Edenbridge, Groombridge from Sevenoaks. This composition was published in *Companology*, No. 2, page 24.

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CAMPANOLOGY.

Triples.

30 WARNHAM, SUSSEX.	
On Tuesday, December 29th, 1896, in Two Hours and Fifty Minut	
AT THE PARISH CHURCH,	
A PEAL OF UNION TRIPLES, 5040 CHANG	ES, .
J. J. PARKER'S SIX PART. Tenor 14 cwt. 3 qrs.	
WALTER CHARMAN	5 6 7 Tenor
Conducted by WILLIAM CHARMAN.	
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31 THE SOUTH AND WEST MIDDLESEX GUILD.	
EALING, MIDDLESEX.	1
On Thursday, December 31st, 1896, in Two Hours and Fifty-one Minu	tes,
AT THE PARISH CHURCH OF ST. MARY,	
A PEAL OF OXFORD BOB TRIPLES, 5040 CHAN	
J. J. PARKER'S SIX PART (No. 13). Tenor 19 ³ / ₄ cw	t.
HARRY F. G. LUCK Treble CHARLES EDWARDS* EVERARD J. WALSOM 2 EDWARD HARRIS JOHN BASDEN 3 ALLEN H. TABER FREDERICK GODDARD 4 WILLIAM WARD	• 5 • 6 • 7 • 1 enor
Conducted by JOHN BASDEN. • First peal in the method with a bob bell.	ĺ
32 BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	
MILVERTON. SOMERSET.	
On Saturday, January 9th, 1897, in Three Hours and Two Minute	1
A PEAL OF GRANDSIRE TRIPLES, 5040 CHANG	
	ES,
HOLLIS' FIVE PART (No. 2). Tenor 20 cwt.	
	• 5 • 6 • 7 • Tenor
Conducted by JOSEPH MADDOCK. * First peal, All the above hail from Taunton. At the finish of the peal, the Vi Rev. J. E. Felton, visited the belfry and congratulated the ringers on their succe said how pleased he was for them to visit Milverton, and also said he should become a member of the Association, which, on the proposition of Mr. Maddock, so by Mr Yandell, was carried unanimously.	car, the ess, and i like to conded
Hlinor.	
33 THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION, (Chablwood Branch),	
CHARLWOOD, SURREY.	
On Wednesday, December 30th, 1896, in Two Hours and Forty Min	utes,
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. NICHOLAS,	
A Real of 5040 Changes of Treble Bob Minor in seven diff methods, being 720 each of the following: College Exercise, Violet, London Scholars' Pleasure, Woodbine C	ollogo
Pleasure, Kent, and Oxford. Tenor 16 cwt. in 6	G. []
GEORGE ATTWATER*	• 4 • 5 • Tenor
Conducted by Albert Ellis.	
34 THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.	e I f
WICKHAM SKEITH, SUFFOLK.	i
On Monday, January 4th, 1897, in Two Hours and Forty Minutes	•
AT THE CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW,	
A Peal 5040 of Changes of Minor in five different met being 720 each of the following:	5
2 of College Single, 2 of Oxford Single, and 1 each of Plain Bob, C Treble Bob, and Kent Treble Bob.	Oxford s
F. POTTER Treble G. KEMP	4

POTTER Treble | G. Кемр.. 4 D. MAYS T. DAVY 2 G. CATTERMOLE Tenor C. NUNN 3 Conducted by G. CATTERMOLE.

First peal in the method on the bells.

Date Touches.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CHIDDINGSTONE (Kent).

On New Year's Eve, for midnight ringing, a date touch of Grandsire Triples, 1897 changes in 1 hour and 13 minutes. F. Butcher, 1; F. Whibley, 2; E. Bridger, 3; A. Aylward, 4; G. Edwards (conductor), 5; A. Longley, 6; R. King, 7; H. Denton, 8.

THE HALIFAX AND DISTRICT ASSOCIATION AND THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

HEPTONSTALL (Yorks.)

On Sunday, January 3rd, a date touch, 1897 changes of Minor, as follows: -97 of Bob Minor, 360 of Woodbine, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob, 720 of Kent Treble Bob, in 1 hour and 10 minutes. A. Burn (conductor), 1; J. Robertshaw, 2; W. Ingham, 3; F. Robertshaw, 4; R. Nowell, 5; F. P. Powell, 6. Rung with the bells half-muffled, as a token of respect to the late R. Greenwood, Esq., a churchwarden of the parish. Tenor 12 cwt.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

On Thursday evening, January 7th, the ringers of St. James', Birch in Rusholme, rang a date touch of Grandsire Triples in 1 hour and 7 minutes. R. Davies, 1; W. E. Ryder, 2; E. Barroughs, 3; T. B. Idle (conductor), 4; E. Hewett, 5; J. Eachus, 6; R. Barroughs, 7; J. Idle, 8. Composed by Mr. John Howes, of Kingston-on-Thames. Longest length for J. Idle.

CORRECTION, Peal No. 11 was Composed by C. H. HATTERSLEY and Conducted by T. DIXON.

ST. MARY'S, WOOLWICH.

SOCIAL AND DANCE.

A few friends connected with St. Mary's decided that an effort should be to augment if possible the "Fund now being raised for providing a Lightning Conductor" to the tower of the Parish Church.

ning Conductor " to the tower of the Parish Church. A Social Gathering, in which Dancing should form a prominent feature was therefore arranged, 200 Tickets being issued, with the result that a large and pleasant gathering assembled in the tastefully decorated Hall of St. Mary's Schools, King Street, Woolwich, the convenience of the friends being studied by having seats all round and leaving the centre clear. The evening was thoroughly enjoyed, by a varied Programme, the dances and the seater of St. Mary's Bord under the ladgement, of Mary

The evening was thoroughly enjoyed, by a varied Programme, the dances (led by a part of St. Mary's Brass Band under the leadership of Mr. Poulton) being interspersed with several songs by Mr. Bayne. Mr. Crew, Miss Eady and Miss Heathcote, and recitations by Miss Brown, whose kindly services were duly appreciated including Miss Weeks and Mrs. Martin at the Piano.

A vote of thanks was accorded the Organizers of the Entertainment, and Mr. Parsons for so ably carrying out the duties of M.C., the Party dispersing at 11 o'clock.

It is hoped a substantial balance will be the result.

NOTE TO THE PEAL AT ST. STEPHEN'S, BRISTOL.

Note for the real at s.t. strentisks, bitistot. The above peal was rung with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Mr. Charles W. Paul, past Master and Hon. Secretary of the Ancient Society of St. Stephen's Ringers. It was also the anniversary of W. A. Cave's birthday. The peal was composed by J. Reeves, taken from Snowdon's Treble Bob, part 2, page 27. It is the first peal of Treble Bob on the bells, and first peal of Major by the Guild, and rung at the first attempt. W. Knight's first peal, and first of Major by C. Horton, C. Tomkins, C. Gordon, and W. A. Cave. F. Elles, the ringer of the 3rd, was elected a member of the Association previous to starting, and it is his first peal for over four years, he having been deprived of the proper use of his fingers by illness. He took up to ringing again in 1895, and has kept at it ever since.

BLETCHLEY, BUCKS.

On Tuesday evening. December 29th, the ringers of St. Mary's Church, sat down to an excellent supper at the residence of Mr. Val Sear. After doing justice to the good things provided, an adjournment was made to the school-room, kindly lent by the Rector, the Rev. W. Bennett, where an enjoyable evening was spent by all present.

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Miscellaneous Reports.

THE ALL HALLOWS SOCIETY, TOTTENHAM

TOTTENHAM (Middlesex).

On Thursday, December 31st, at the Parish Church, a quarter-peal of Grandsire Triples in 48 minutes. J. Ellis, I ; H. A. Barnett (conductor), 2; E. Iverson, 3; H. N. Doughty, 4; W. Dickinson, 5; C. A. But W. P. English, 7; W. Martin, 8. Rung with the bells half-muffled. Button, 6

On Sunday, January 3rd, after evening service, a quarter peal of Grand sire Triples in 44 minutes. F. Clements, 1; J. Waghorn, jun. (conductor), 2; H. N. Doughty, 3; W. Gibson, 4; W. Dickinson, 5; E. Iverson, 6; C. A. Button, 7; W. Martin, 8.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION,

TAUNTON.

On Sunday, December 20th, at the Church of St. James, 720 of Grand-sire Minor, J. Maddock, 1; H. Pearce, 2; A. Doble, 3; F. Millard, 4; W. Thorn, 5; G. Yandell (conductor), 6. On Friday, December 25th, 720 of Bob Minor. T. Doble, 1; A. Doble, 2; J. Maddock (conductor), 3; F. Millard, 4; W. Thorn, 5; G. Yandell, 6. On Sunday, December 27th, 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. T. Doble, (first in the method)' 1; A. Doble, 2; H. Poole (conductor), 3; F. Millard, 4; W. Thorn, 5; G. Yandell, 6.

THE BEDFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

BEDFORD.

On Christmas Eve, December 24th, at the Church of St. Peter, 720 of Double Court (16 bobs and 2 singles). F. Parrott, 1; S. Lowe, 2; F. Lowe, 3; Harry Toll, 4; A. Robinson, 5; S. Constant (conductor), 6. On Christmas morning, December 25th, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob (18 bobs and 2 singles. F. Parrott, 1; F. Lowe, 2; S. Lowe, 3; Harry Toll, A. Palinger, S. Constant (conductor), 6.

4; A. Robinson, 5; S. Constant (conductor), 6.

A. Robinson, 5, S. Constant (conductor), 0.
On Sunday, December 27th, for evening service, 720 of Grandsire Minor (38 bobs and 22 singles). F. Parrott, 1; A. Robinson, 2; S. Lowe, 3; F. Lowe, 4; Harry Toll, 5; S. Constant (conductor), 6.
On Sunday, January 3rd, for evening service, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob.
F. Parrott, 1; S. Lowe, 2; F. Lowe, 3; Harry Toll, 4; S. Constant (conductor), 4.

ductor), 5; A. Robinson, 6.

On Tuesday, January 5th, for practice, 720 of Kent Treble Bob. C. W. Clarke, I ; F. Lowe, 2; J. Hills, 3; A. Robinson, 4; S. Lowe, 5; S. Constant (conductor), 6.

BIDDENHAM (Beds.)

On Sunday, December 13th, 720 of College Single (18 bobs and 2 singles) J. Harpin, I; J. Maxey, 2; A. Ingram, 3; T. Frossell, 4; W. J. Davison (conductor), 5; H. King, 6. First 720 by all. And 360 of Bob Minor. Walter West, I; F. Trueman, 2; J. Moxey, 3; J. Harpin, 4; T. Frossell, 5; W. J. Davison (conductor), 6. Also 360 of Bob Minor. J. West, I; F. Trueman, 2; C. Brockett, 3; J. Harpin, 4; F. Frossell, 5; W. J. Davison (conductor), 6.

(conductor), 6.
On Friday, December 25th, 360 of College Single. W. West, 1; C. West, 2; A. Ingram, 3; T. Frossell, 4; H. King, 5; W. J. Davison (conductor), 6. And 720 of Plain Bob (18 bobs and 2 singles). W. West, 1; J. Maxey, 2; C. West, 3; T. Frossell, 4; W. J. Davison, 5; H. King, (conductor), 6. Also 720 of Plain Bob (14 singles and 4 bobs). Walter West, 1; F. Trueman, 2; H. King, 3; T. Frossell, 4; C. West, 5; W. J. Davison, 6, and 720 of Plain Bob (14 singles and 4 bobs). Davison (conductor), 6.

West, T. F. Hueman, 2, H. King, 3; T. Frössell, 4; C. West, 5; W. J. Davison (conductor), 6.
On Saturday, December 26th, 720 of Oxford Bob (18 bobs and 2 singles).
J. Harpin, 1; T. Trueman, 2; W. J. Davison, 3; T. Frössell, 4; J. N. Frössell (Brighton), 5; S. Constant (conductor), 6. And 720 of Oxford Bob (18 bobs and 2 singles).
J. Bailey, 1; W. Hall (conductor), 2; L. Chapman, 3; C. Green, 4; G. Heath, 5; H. Clayton, 6. All the above hail from Rushden. And 720 of Oxford Treble Bob (9 bobs).
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L. Chapman, 1; G. Heath, 2; J. N. Frössell, 3; H. King, 4; S. Constant, 5; W. Hall, (conductor), 6. And 360 of Oxford Treble Bob. J. Bailey, 1; C. West, 2; C. Green, 3; H. Clayton, 4; W. Hall (conductor), 5; W. J. Davison, 6. And 360 of Plain Bob. J. Bailey, 1; J. Maxey, 2; C. Green, 3; T. Frössell, 4; J. Harpin, 5; L. Chapman (conductor), 6. And 720 of Oxford Bob (38 bobs and 22 singles). J. Maxey, 1; F. Trueman, 2; H. King, 3; T. Frössell, 4; C. West, 1; C. West, 2; C. Brockett, 3; T. Frössell, 4; M. King, 5; W. J. Davison (conductor), 6. Also 360 of College Single.
W. West, 1; C. West, 2; C. Brockett, 3; T. Frössell, 4; H. King, 5; W. J. Davison (conductor), 6. On Tuesday, January 5th, 730 of Plain Bob. A. West (first 720), 1; J. Maxey, 2; T. Frössell 3; W. J. Davison, 4; J. Harpin (first with a bob bell), 5; H. King (conductor), 6. Also 360 of Oxford Bob. W. West, 1; C. Brokett, 2; A. Ingram, 3; T. Frössell, 4; H. Kihg, 5; W. J. Davison (conductor), 6.

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Mems Iou (Beds).
On Saturday, December 26th, 360 of Oxford Bob. J. Bailey, 1; G.
Heath, 2; C. Green, 3; T. Frossell, 4; W. J. Davison (conductor), 5; H.
Clayton, 6. Also 360 of Oxford Bob. J. Bailey, 1; G. Heath, 2; C.
Green, 3; C. West, 4; W. J. Davison (conductor), 5; H. Clayton, 6.

CHESTER DIOCESAN GUILD.

(NORTHWICH BRANCH). KNUTSFORD (Cheshire).

On Saturday, January and, seven members belonging to Witton Church visited Knutsford, and rang on the bells of the Parish Church two peals of Plain Bob Minor. First peal: S. Johnson, I; Samuel Forster, 2; G. Johnson, 3; A. Johnson, 4; J. Bell, 5; W. Forster, 6. Second peal: S. Johnson, 1; S. Forster, 2; G. Johnson, 3; A. Johnson, 4; R. Chautler, 5; H. Parker, 6. Also three courses of Kent Treble Bob Minor. S. Johnson, 1; S. Forster, 2; G. Johnson, 3; A. Johnson, 4; J. Bell, 5; W. Forster, 6. The above was rung as a birthday compliment to Mr. Alfred Johnson, his brother ringers wishing him many happy returns. The above were conducted by Mr. Septimus Johnson.

THE DURHAM AND NEWCASTLE DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION. DARLINGTON.

On Tuesday, December 1st, at St. John's Church, 672 Plain Bob Major, for practice. Thos. Scollick, 1; Jas. Baxter (conductor), 2; C. W. Mon-caster, 3; A. Pilkington, 4; H. S. Taylor, 5: W. D. Lister, 6; W. Patton, 7; W. H. Porter, 8.

7; W. H. Porter, 5. On Sunday, December 6th, for mattins, six-scores of Stedman Doubles. Jas. Baxter, 1; H. S. Taylor, 2; W. H. Porter (conductor), 3; W. D. Lister, 4; W. Patton, 5; Thos. Scollick, 6. And for evensong, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. A. Pilkington, 1; W. Patton, 3; H. S. Taylor, 4; W. H. Porter, 5; W. D. Lister, 6; Jas. Baxter (conductor), 7; Thos. Scollick, 8.

Sconick, 8. On Monday, December 7th, in an attempt for a peal, 1000 changes of Grandsire Triples, which was lost through the treble rope breaking. A. Pilkington, 1; C. W. Moncaster, 2; W. Patton, 3; W. D. Lister, 4; H. S. Taylor, 5; Jas. Baxter (conductor), 6; W. H. Porter, 7; Thos. Scollick, 8. On Sunday, December 13th, for mattins, 704 Kent Treble Bob Major. A. Pilkington, 1; C. W. Moncaster, 2; W. Patton, 3; Jas. Baxter (con-ductor), 4; H. S. Taylor, 5; W. D. Lister, 6; G. J. Lingley, 7; W. H. Dorter, 8.

Porter, 8.

On Tuesday, December 15th, 720 Plain Bob Minor. W. Patton, 1; Thos. Scollick, 2; H, S. Taylor, 3; W. D. Lister, 4; C. W. Moncaster, 5; Jas. Baxter (conductor), 6.

Jas. Barter (conductor), 6.
On Sunday, December 20th, 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. A. Pilkington,
I; R. Moncaster, 2; W. Patton, 3; C. W. Moncaster, 4; H. S. Taylor, 5;
W. D. Lister, 6; W. H. Porter (conductor), 7; Jas. Baxter, 8.
On Tuesday, December 22nd, 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. A. Pilking-

On Tuesday, December 22nd, 640 Kent Treble Bob Major. A. Pilking-ton, I; W. D. Lister, 2; W. Patton, 3; C. W. Moncaster, 4; H. S. Taylor, 5; W. H. Porter, 6; G. J. Lingley, 7; Jas. Baxter (conductor), 8. On Sunday, December 27th, for mattins, 720 Oxford Treble Bob Minor. A. Pilkington, I; W. Patton, 3; R. Moncaster, 4; H. S. Taylor, 5; W. D. Porter, 6; Jas. Baxter (conductor), 7; Thos. Scollick, 8. And for evensong, 360 Kent Treble Bob Minor. A. Pilkington, I; W. Patton, 3; W. H. Parter, J. J. Staylor, 5. W. H. Porter, 4; H. S. Taylor, 5; T. Lingley (conductor), 6; R. Mon-caster, 7; Jas. Baxter, 8.

On Thursday, December 31st, 672 Plain Bob Major. Thos. Scollick, 1; R. Moncaster, 2; W. D. Porter, 3; A. Pilkington, 4; H. S. Taylor, 5; W. D. Lister, 6; W. Patton, 7; Jas. Baxter, (conductor), 8. As 12 o'clock struck, the tenor was tolled 12 times by W. D. Lister; afterwards a plain course of Bob Major was rung, and the bells were "fired" 21 times, and then lowered in peal, everyone wishing each other a happy and prosperous New Year.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

STANSTED (Essex).

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On Sunday, January 3rd, at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, for afternoon service, 720 of Cambridge Surprise in 25 minutes (5 the Observation). J. Cavill, 1; Isaac Hammond, 2; J. Luckey, 3; G. Gray, 4; T. J. Watts, 5; W. Watts (conductor), 6. Tenor 13 cwt. This company's summary for the year 1896, consists of 136 complete 720's, viz.: — Eleven of Plain Bob Minor, ten of Cambridge Surprise, nine scale of Vech Surprise and Worrector Sumprise, and the Cambridge Surprise, nine

each of York Surprise and Worcester Surprise, eight of Superlative Surprise, six each of London Surprise and Oxford Treble Bob, four each of Durham Surprise, Violet Treble Bob, and London Scholars' Pleasure, three each of Wells Surprise, Bristol Surprise, Lichfield Surprise, Woodbine Treble Bob, Kent Treble Bob, College Exercise, Double Oxford Bob, College Single, Oxford Bob Minor, Chichester Surprise, Huddersfield Surprise, Duke of York, New London Pleasure, College Pleasure, and Canterbury Pleasure, one each of Carlisle Surprise, Coventry Surprise, Ely Surprise, Dewsbury Surprise, Lincoln Surprise, Rochester Surprise, Ringers Sur-prise, London Treble Bob, Oxford Delight, Killamarsh Treble Bob, Victoria Treble Bob, Ringers Pleasure, Primrose Treble Bob, Tulip Treble Victoria Treble Bob, Kingers Pleasure, Primrose Treble Bob, Tulip Treble Bob, Morning Exercise, Westminster Treble Bob, Bocking Treble Bob, City Delight, Braintree Treble Bob, Stansted Court Bob, Double Court Bob, Stansted Double Bob, Grandsire Minor, Double Bob Minor, College Double Bob, and Christmas Eve Minor. Of the foregoing seventy-five were conducted by W. Watts; thirty-six by J. Luckey; twenty-two by T. J. Watts; two by H. J. Tucker, of Bishop Stortford, Herts; and one by Isaac Cavill, of Boydon Festor. It will be core that the theorem and one by Isaac Cavill, of Roydon, Essex. It will be seen that the above 136 720's, have been rang in fifty-two different methods; altogether with touches and peals, this company has brought round 122,012 changes.

WOODFORD (Essex)

On Thursday, December 31st, at the Church of St. Mary, for practice, 720 of Bob Minor. H. Gowers, 1; R. S. Sworder, 2; J. Mardell, 3; J. Kimberley, 4; F. Sworder, 5; E. Wightman (conductor), 6. And 180 in the same method. E. C. Fox, 1; K. C. Fox, 2; E. Wightman (conductor), 3; H. Gowers, 4; F. Sworder, 5; R. S. Sworder, 6. Also three 6-scores each of Grandsire and Plain Doubles. K. C. Fox, 1; H. Gowers, 2; E. Wightman (conductor), 3; R. S. Sworder, 4; F. Sworder, 5; E. C. Fox, 6.

ELY DISTRICT ASSOCIATION.

ROUGHAM (Suffolk).

On Tuesday, January 5th, 720 of Bob Minor in 27 minutes. A. Steggles, 1; W. Clarke, 2; A. H. Osborne (conductor), 3; F. Buckle, 4; G. Buckle, 5: H. Henley, 6. First peal by 2nd, 4th, and 5th. Osborne hails from Bury St. Edmunds; the rest are members of the Rougham company.

THE GLOUCESTER AND BRISTOL DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION BRISTOL

BRISTOL.
On Sunday, December 13th, at the Church of St. Stephen's, for mørning service, 960 Kent Treble Bob Major, in 35 minutes. W. Knight, 1;
C. H. Horton, 2; F. Elles, 3; J. York, 4; C. Millard, 5; C. H. Gordon, 6;
W. A. Cave, 7; W. J. Hinton (conductor), 8.
On Sunday, December 20th, 504 Stedman Triples. C. Millard, 1; C. Horton, 2; F. Elles, 3; W. Knight, 4; C. E. Boutflower, 5; H. Howell, 6;
W. A. Cave (conductor), 7; W. Colston, 8. In the evening, 432 Stedman Caters. W. J. Hinton (conductor), 1. W. A. Cave, 2; C. H. Horton, 3;
W. Knight, 4; F. Elles, 5; C. E. Boutflower, 6; C. Tomkins, 7; C. Gordon, 8; Rev. E. Bankes James, 9; W. Colston, 10. Also a short touch of Caters. with L Pickard. 8. Caters, with J. Pickard, 8.

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On Sunday, December 20th, at St. John-on-the-Walls, after evening service, 720 Kent Treble Bob Minor, in 27 minutes. C. E. Boutflower, I;
C. Gordon, 2; W. Knight, 3; C Horton, 4; C. Tomkins, 5; Rev. E. B. James (conductor), 6. The Rev. E. B. James hails from Gloucester.
On Tuesday, December 22nd, at St. Stephen's, for practice, 768 Treble Bob Major, in 32 minutes. W. Knight, I; C. H. Horton, 2; F. Elles, 3;
U. Howall, G. Tomkins, 6: C. Corden, 6: E. Duckhen, et W. M.

H. Howell, 4; C. Tomkins, 5; C. Gordon, 6; E. Duckham, 7; W. A. Cave (first as conductor), 8.

On Christmas morning, December 25th, 432 Stedman Caters. W. J. Hinton, I; C. Millard, 2; C. H. Horton, 3; W. Knight, 4; F. Elles, 5; C. E. Boutflower, 6; F. Perrin, 7; J. Pickard (longest touch), 8; W. A. Cave, 9; W. Colston, 10.

Cave, G, W. Colston, 10.
On Boxing Day, December 26th, at All Saints, 704 Kent Treble Bob Major. W. Knight, 1; C. H. Horton, 2; F. Elles, 3; C. Gordon, 4;
A. E. Bawn, 5: G. Colston, 6; W. A. Cave, 7; J. Hinton (conductor), 8.
On Sunday, December 27th, for evening service, at the Church of St.
Stephen, 720 of Treble Bob Minor. J. Hinton, 1; W. Knight, 2; F. Elles, 3; C. Tomkins, 4; J. Pickard, 5; W. A, Cave (first as conductor), 6. W.

Colston tenor covering. On New Year's Eve, December 31st, several touches of Stedman before

and after the midnight service.

and after the midnight service. On Sunday, January 3rd, for evening service, 1040 of Kent Treble Bob Royal in 45 minutes. W. J. Hinton (conductor), I; C. Gordon, 2; C. H. Horton, 3; W. Knight, 4; F. Elles, 5; C. E. Boutflower, 6; C. Tomkins, 7; A. E. Bawn, 8; F. Price, 9; W. A. Cave, 10. On Monday, January 4th, at the Church of St. John-on-the-Walls, 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. F. Price, 1; C. Horton, 2, F. Elles, 3; W. J Hinton (conductor), 4; W. Emery, 5; C. E. Boutflower, 6. Also a touch of Forward Minor. Rung with the bells muffled, as a mark of respect to the late Mrs. M. Hodder, who was buried that day. the late Mrs. M. Hodder, who was buried that day.

On Tuesday, January 5th, at the Church of St. Stephen, touches of Stedman Triples and Treble Bob Major, with the bells muffied, after the funeral service. In the evening, 249 of Stedman Caters, and a touch of Treble Bob Major. After the practice, the "whole pull and stand " was rung 49 times, as a last token of respect to the late Mr Charles W. Paul, past Master of the Ancient Society of St. Stephen's Ringers (aged 49 years), who was buried that day who was buried that day.

NORTH NIBLEY (Gloucester).

On Wednesday, November 18th, at the Parish Church, 720 of Kent Treble Bob Minor. F. Howell (Thornbury), 1; E. Duckham, 2; W. J. Hinton (conductor), 3; F. Price, 4; C. E. Boutflower (Bristol), 5; Rev. H. A. Cockey (Bilton), 6. First 720 of Treble Bob on the bells. They have been re-hung by Messrs. Warner & Co., London.

THE HERTFORDSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

LITTLE MUNDEN.

On Wednesday, December 30th, at the Church of All Saints', 216 of Grandsire Minor. A. Lawrence, 1; A. Phillips, 2; J. Heady, 3; G. Carter, 4; A. Smith 5; W. H. Lawrence (conductor), 6. Also several 120's of Plain Bob and Grandsire Doubles.

On Thursday, December 31st, on the occasion of ringing in the New Year, 360 of Bob Minor. H. Carter, 1; A. Phillips, 2; J. Heady, 3; G.

Carter, 4; A. Smith, 5; W. H. Lawrence (conductor), 6. And several 6-scores of Bob and Grandsire Doubles, conducted by 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th ringers. Also two 120's of Stedman Doubles. W. H. Lawrence (conductor), 1; G. Carter, 2; J. Heady, 3; A. Phillips, 4; A. Smith, 5; W. Livings, 6.

On Sunday, January 3rd, for morning service, 144 of Bob Minor and 108 of Grandsire Minor. H. Carter, 1; A. Lawrence (aged 12), 2; A. Phillips, 3; G. Carter, 4; J. Heady, 5; W. H. Lawrence (conductor), 6. Also for afternoon service, 360 of Oxford Bob Minor. H. Carter, 1; A. Phillips, 2; J. Heady, 3; G. Carter, 4; A. Smith, 5; W. H. Lawrence (conductor), 6.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

CHIDDINGSTONE (Kent).

On Wednesday, December 30th, for practice, 896 of Grandsire Triples, taken from (Taylor's Bob and Single variation) in 33 minutes. T. Beiton, 1; F. Whibley, 2; F. Longley, 3; A. Longley, 4; E. Bridger, 5; G. Edwards (conductor), 6; R. King, 7; H. Denton, 8.

HAYES (Kent).

On Sunday morning, January 3rd, for Divine Service, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor, 30 bobs and 30 singles. A. Lanaway, 1; H. Brown, 2; A. Killick, 3; J. Hack (composer and conductor), 4; G. Harwood, 5; H. Reader, 6. This composition is now rung for the first time. Tenor always right way behind.

HORSMONDEN (Kent).

On Wednesday, November 18th, at the Church of St. Margaret, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob. E. Lambert, 1; G. Hodge (first in the method), 2;
 F. Lambert (conductor), 3; W. Lambert, 4; F. Butchers, 5; J. Beach, 6. On Sunday, November 29th, 720 of Grandsire Minor. G. Hodge, 1; J.

Harris (Brenchley) first in the method, 2; W. Lambert, 3; J. Beach, 4;

F. Lambert (conductor), 5; F. Butchers, 6. On Friday, December 25th, 720 of Oxford Treble Bob and 720 of Plain Bob. E. Lambert, 1; G. Hodge, 2; F. Lambert, 3; W. Lambert, 4; F

 Butchers, 5; J. Beach, 6.
 On Sunday, December 27th, 720 of Double Stedman Slow Course. W. Lambert, 1; E. C. Lambert, 2; E. Lambert, 3; F. Butchers, 4; J. Beach, 5; F. Lambert (conductor), 6.

On Sunday, January 3rd, 720 of Kent Treble Bob. E. Lambert, 1; W. Steed (Tonbridge), 2; W. Lambert, 3; F. Lambert, 4; F. Butchers (conductor) 5; J. Beach, 6. Also 720 of Plain Bob. T. Lambert, 1; W. Lambert, 2; J. Beach, 3; W. Steed, 4; F. Butchers, 5; F. Lambert (conductor, 6.

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

DEANSGATE (Manchester).

On Sunday, January 3rd, for evening service, 630 of Grandsire Triples. R. Atterton, 1; J. Hampson, 2; W. Brown (conductor), 3; J. Miller, 4; J. Scragg, 5; W. H. Cooper, 6; A. Wolstenholme, 7; A. Diamond, 8.

THE ST. MARTIN'S SCHOLARS, STAMFORD.

CASTOR (Northamptonshire).

On Saturday, January 9th, a visit was paid to the Parish Church, St. Kyneburgha, to attempt a 5040 of Minor, but had to be abandoned owing to one of the band being taken ill after ringing 720 Single Court, 720 to one of the band being taken ill after ringing 720 Single Court, 720 Canterbury Pleasure Minor, and 240 Grandsire Minor. E. Gale, 1; W. Turner, 2; C. R. Lilley, 3; C. Harper, 4; F. Dennison, 5; Rev. H. Law James (conductor), 6. Tenor, 12 cwt. in G. 120 Stedman Doubles: E. Gale, 1; C. R. Lilley, 2; C. Harper, 3; F. Dennison, 4; Rev. H. L James (conductor), 5; J. Smith, 6. First six-score Stedman on the bells. 120 Grandsire: J. Smith, 1; W, Turner, 2; Rev. H. L. James, 3; C. R. Lilley, 4; F. Dennison (conductor), 5; E. Gale, 6. 240 of Oxford Bob and Plain Bob Minor, by the same band. First 720 Single Court by C. Lilley and W. Turner. W. Turner.

THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.

FINCHLEY (Middlesex).

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On Friday, December 25th, at the Church of St. Mary, 720 of Plain Bob
Minor. W. Mulley, I; W. H. Tubb, 2; J. Cornell, 3; W. Webb, 4; G. J.
Miles, 5; F. Carroway (conductor), 6. And for service in the morning,
720 of Oxford Bob Minor. W. Mulley, I; W. Webb, 2; E. H. Tubb, 3;
J. Cornell, 4; G. J. Miles, 5; F. Sparks (conductor), 6. Also 360 of Plain
Bob Minor. W. Russell, I; W. Webb, 2; W. H. Tubb, 3; E. H. Tubb,
4; G. J. Miles, 5; F. Sparks (conductor), 6.
On Thursday, December 31st, at 11.30 p.m., 720 of Plain Bob Minor (9
bobs and 6 singles). W. Russell, I; E. H. Tubb, 2; W. H. Tubb, 3; J.
Cornell, 4; G. I. Miles, 5; F. Carroway (conductor) 6.

Cornell, 4; G. J. Miles, 5; F. Carroway (conductor), 6. On Friday, January 1st, at 12 a.m., 240 of Plain Bob, 120 of College Single, and 120 of Oxford Bob Minor. W. Mulley, 1; J. Cornell, 2; E. H. Tubb, 3; W. Webb, 4; F. Sparks, 5; F. Carroway (conductor), 6.

THE CENTRAL NORTHAMPTONSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

WELLINGBOROUGH.

On New Year's Eve, December 31st, the Parish Church ringers made their first attempt for a peal of 5040 changes. Starting at 5.40 the ringing continued without mishap until 7.31, when, owing to a "change-course,"

the conductor called the bells into "rounds," after ringing 3024 changes. Although the full peal was not obtained, this makes the greatest number of changes ever rung on Wellingborough bells, and the longest time (1 hour and 51 minutes) the tenor bell (30 cwt in D) has been rung single-handed. G. Turnell, I; T. R. Hensher (conductor), 2; W. Wood, 3; F. Underwood, 4; F. Wood, 5; E. West, 6; W. H. Ette, 7; T. Craddock, 8. The peal attempted was a one-part peal of Grandsire Triples, composed by George Cleal, of Leicester. The bells being lightly muffled their music sounded soft, mellow, and beautiful, all over the town.

On Sunday morning, December 3rd, for Divine Service, 658 of Grand-sire Triples (from Holt's Original). E. J. Dennes, 1; F. Wood, 2; T. Hen-sher (conductor), 3; F. Underwood, 4; W. Wood, 5; W. H. Ette, 6; E. West, 7; T. Craddack, 8.

THE NORWICH DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

DEBENHAM.

On Sunday, December 13th, for morning service, 360 of Bob Minor. W. Grimes, 1; T. Collins, 2; A. Grimes, 3; W. Groom, 4; E. Clarke, 5; W.

Grimes, 1; T. Collins, 2; A. Grimes, 3; W. Groom, 4; E. Clarke, 5; W.
Rumsey, 6. Longlest length by T. Collins. Also for evening service, 240 in the method. A. Grimes, 1; W. Grimes, 2; E. Clarke, 3; W. Rumsey, 4; G. Rowe, jun, 5; G. Rowe, sen., 6. On Monday evening, December 21st, for practice, a course of Grandsire Triples. G. Rowe, 1; T. Collins, 2; A. W. Grimes, 3; W. Grooms, 4; E. Clarke, 5; W. Rumsey, 6; W. Grimes, 7; J. Rumsey, 8. Also a course with W. Grimes, 1; T. Collins, 2; A. W. Grimes, 3; J. Rumsey, 4; E. Clarke, 5; G. Rowe, 6; W. Rumsey, 7; G. Rumsey, 8. First course in the method by T. Collins, A. Grimes, W. Groom, J. Rumsey, and E. Clarke Clarke.

Clarke. On Monday evening, December 20th, 720 of Bob Minor in 28 minutes.
W. Grimes (conductor), 1; T. Collins, (aged 13), first 720, 2; A. Grimes, 3;
W. Groom, 4; E. Clarke, 5; W. Rumsey, 6. On Sunday, January 3rd, for Divine Service, two courses of Bob Major.
W. Groom, 1; A. Grimes, 2; F. O. Moule, Esq., 3; E. Clarke, 4; G. Rowe, 5; G. Rowe, 6; W. Rumsey, 7; W. Grimes, 8. Handbell Ringing.—At the House of Mr. W. Grimes, 360 of Bob Minor.
W. Grimes, 1.2; A. Grimes, 3; W. Groom, 4; W. Rumsey, 5-6. Also 180 in the same method. W. Grimes, 1-2; W. Rumsey, 3-4; A. W. Grimes, 5-6

THE SURREY ASSOCIATION.

CROYDON (Surrey).

On Tuesday, December 15th, at the Church of St. John the Baptist, for practice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples, 1260 changes. H. Brooker, (conductor), 1; W. States, 2; J. Rumble, 3; E. Matthews, 4; E. Bray, 5; W. Groves (first in the method), 6; W. Hill, 7; J. Talbot, 8.

W. Groves (first in the method), 6; W. Hill, 7; J. Talbot, 8. On Christmas morning, for early service, a quarter-peal of Oxford Bob Triples, 1260 changes, composed by E. Bennet. J. Ruuble, 1; W. States, 2; E. Bray, 3; F. Pates, 4; T. Verrall, 5; W. Groves (conductor), 6; W. Hill, 7; J. Talbot, 8. On Tuesday, December 20th, for practice, a quarter-peal of Stedman Triples (taken from Hubbard), 1260 changes. H. Brooker, 1; E. Bray, 2; A. Arnold (first in the method), 3; F. Pates, 4; W. Groves, 5; W. States (conductor), 6; W. Hill, 7; J. J. Jones, 8. A. Arnold was formerly a member of the band, but is now in Northampton.

THE SUSSEX COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

RINGMER (Sussex).

On Tuesday, December 12th, an attempt was made for Mr. J. J. Parker's 12-part peal of Grandsire Triples, but it was unfortunately lost owing to a shift-course, after 2 hours and 5 minutes good ringing, in which time 3780 changes had been occomplished. A. Rooke, 1; F. Banks, 2; T. Miller, 3; C. Painter, 4; H. Jones, 5; J. S. Goldsmith (conductor), 6; A. J. Turner, 7; D. Carpenter, 8.

On Saturday, December 26th, an attempt for a peal of Union Triples was made, but this also was lost owing to a change-course, after ringing about 2300 changes in 1 hour and 15 minutes, A. Rooke, 1; F. Banks, 2; T. Miller, 3; J. S. Goldsmith, 4; H. Jones, 5; A. J. Turner (conductor),
6; C. Painter, 7; W. Hemsley, 8.
On Tuesday, December 29th, for practice, touches of Bob Minor, Sted-

man and Union Triples, were rung by the following –G. Taylor, A. Rooke, F. Banks, T. Miller, C. Painter, H. Jones, A. J. Turner, J. S. Goldsmith, and W. Hemsley. Messrs. Turner and Goldsmith, belong to Lewes.

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEACONRY OF STAFFORD.

TETTENHALL (Staffordshire). On Sunday, December 27th, at the Church of St. Michael, 720 of Bob Minor in 24 minutes. W. G. Hall, 1; W. Greenleaf, 2; J. E. Groves (conductor), 3; H. A. Hall, 4; A. Griffiths, 5; H. Knight, 6. Also 360 of the same method. Tenor 13¹/₄ cwt.

WOLVERHAMPTON.

On Sunday, December 13th, after evening service, a quarter-peal of Darlaston Bob Triples, 1260 changes in 43 minutes. J. Purser (first quarter-peal), 1; J. E. Groves (conductor), 2; B. Dalton (first in the method), 3; W. Hall, 4: H. Knight, 5; G. Burrows, 6; A. Griffiths, 7; W. T. Harley, 8.

On Sunday, December 27th, for evening service, 336 of Bob Major. F.

Jones, I; W. G. Hall, 2; W. Greenleaf, 3; E. Nicholls, 4; H. A. Hall, 5; H. Knight, 6; A. Griffiths, 7; J. E. Groves (conductor), 8. On Friday, January 1st, after midnight service, 240 of Grandsire Major. F. Jones, 1; W. G. Hall, 2; G. Burrows, 3; E. Nicholls, 4; H. Knight, 5; R. Pickering, 6; A. Griffiths, 7; H. A. Hall (conductor), 8. Tenor 23 cwt.

WOMBOURN (Staffordshire).

On Saturday, December 10th, at the Church of St. Benedict, a half-peal of Darlaston Bob Triples, 2520 changes. W. Smith, 1; P. Sadler, 2; H. Sadler, 3; H. Knight, 4; H. A. Hall, 5; G. Burrows, 6; J. E. Groves (conductor), 7; J. Cliff, 8. This was an attempt for a peal, but run round at half-way. Tenor 10 cwt. 12 lbs.

Correspondence. To the Editor of Campanology.

ANSWER TO MR. SLATER.

SIR,-In answer to Mr. S. Slater we have no record of a 6000 ever having been rung at Writtle. There is a peal board in St. Mary's, Chelmsford, recording a 6000 of Bob Major the same year, viz., 1815, but the dates do not agree. Called by Richard Parr as follows :-

"On January 23rd, 1815, was rung in this tower a true and compleat peal of Bob Major, 6000 changes, in 3 hours and 45 minutes, by the following persons :--

Jon. Reeve Josh. Howard	••	Treble	Wm. Terrell	••	••	•• 5
Robt. Thornback		2	Thos. Harris Richard Parr		••	6
Jon. Harris			Jas. Rowland		••	Tenor
This neal was called	1 hv	Richard Pa	rr Tenor weig	he an	Court 11	

Another board records :-

"A compleat peal of Bob Major of 5040 changes, was rung in this steeple, on the 23rd day of November, 1813, in 3 hours and 13 minutes, by the following persons :-

Isaac Clay				I	Wm. Tyrell				5
Thos. Harris	••	••	••	2	Richd, Halls				6
	••	••	••		Richd Parr				7
Jno. Harris		••			Robt. Sandford				8
This peal was	compo	osed by	r Rie	chd.	Clay and never ri	ng hai	fore	and	

called by Richd. Parr with 123 bobs."

There is no record of the 10 bells ever being rung to peals in the tower at this date. The peal of 8 bells were cast in 1780 by Pack & Chapman, Whitechapel Foundry.

I cannot say when the peal was increased to 10, but for several years the trebles were placed in the old tower at Moulsham, and replaced at Easter, 1887. Since then, three peals of Grandsire Caters and one of Treble Bob Royal have been rung on them.

At Writtle, we have records of two peals of Bob Major about that date. as follows :

"Was rung in this Tower by the Writtle Company on Monday, May 31st, 1819, a compleat peal of Bob Major, containing 5040 changes, by the following persons :-

James Porter				I	Robert Thornback			~
Josh. Howard				2		••	••	2
William Hunt	••			4	Tobert Low	••		0
	• •	• •	••	3		••		7
John Baker		••		4	James Rowland			8
		T	enor	way	ing 18 cut			

This peal was called by Joseph Howard an nobley brought round in 3 hours and 7 min."

"KINGING.

On Sunday, February 25th, 1821, a compleat peal of 5040 changes of Bob Major was rung upon that melodious peal of 8 bells in the Parish of Writtle in the county of Essex, and nobly brought round in the short space of 3 hours and 8 minutes by the following company, all residing in that village, viz. :---

James Porter		Treble	John Cook	••	5	
Robert Thornback		2	George Marden			
William Hunt			Lames Assor			
Thos, Collicut		4	Robert Low		Tenor	
The peal was correctly called by Robert Low."						
Those halls wore a						

cells were supplied by Thos. Mears in 1811.

Some of the above band rang about that time a quarter-peal of Bob Major, 10,080 changes, at Gt. Baddow.

They may have rung a 6000 here at Writtle, but I do not think they would ring 6000 in 3 hours and 25 minutes on our bells. I have rung 5760 Bob Major on them, which took 3 hours and 32 minutes, and we did not consider that very slow ringing. Would that the "United Youths" of Chelmsford challenge to meet any

company in the Kingdom now, some of our young ringers might bring their talent into play.

CAMPANOLOGY.

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From Treble Bob to London Surprise.

(By BROTHER STRING.)

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SUPERLATIVE SURPRISE.

This beautiful Treble Bob method sometimes called "The Queen of the | Treble Bob methods," is double in the same sense as Double Norwich. Three pieces of work in front, with the sister three behind. The work done in the interior from the front being sister work to that done in the interior from behind.

This makes it more simple to learn after Double Norwich has been mastered; of course, the Treble having a dodging hunt must necessarily lengthen each piece of work. But as we might say, to compensate for this extra length, all work in the front is completed before proceeding behind, when in like manner, all work behind is completed before again returning to the front, each being connected by a hunt straight through.

Let us now proceed to take the plain course to pieces, examining and giving each piece its proper name.

Great stress ought to be laid on each member of a band knowing each piece of work by its proper name, thus avoiding misunderstandings. We will treat with all work in and from the front, before touching the

work from behind.

Work in front-It will be seen that three different kinds of dodges takes place on the lead, viz. :- single, double, and five-pull, or as we will hereafter call them Long dodges.

The first dodge in 1-2 of a lead is a single dodge, next a double, then in the centre of the lead a long dodge, then another double dodge, and finishing up with a single dodge.

There are three pieces of work to be looked at in connection with these dodges, called :--Work with the treble, Long dodge first, and Long dodge last. Work with the treble in front, consists of a double dodge 1-2 down, lead,

single dodge with treble 1-2 up, then lay a whole pull to her, dodging again with her 1-2 down (a single dodge), lead, and a double dodge 1-2 up.

Long dodge first, consists of a five pull dodge 1-2 down, lead, and a double dodge 1-2 up.

Long dodge last, consists of a double dodge 1-2 down, and a five-pull dodge 1-2 up.

Between these pieces of work, occur place-making in 5-6. No places are made in 3-4 from the front.

There are two sets of places, known as Odd 6th's first, and Odd 6th's last, so called, because a whole pull occurs in 6th's place, either at the com-

mencement or at the finish of places, which is necessary to put the bell into position for returning to lead. After each set of places are completed, the bell again returns to the front.

Una oth s prst—Straight to 5-0.					
Dodge 5.6 up; make 6th's, (The odd place.)					
Dodge 5-6 down ; make 5th's and 6th's.					
Dodge 5-6 down (with treble); make 5th's and 6th's.					
Dodge 5-6 down.					
Return to lead dodging 3-4 on the way.					
Odd 6th's last-Dodge 3-4 up on the way to 5-6.					
Dodge 5-6 up; make 6th's and 5th's.					
Dodge 5-6 up (with treble); make 6th's and 5th's.					
Dodge 5-6 up; make 6th's. (The odd place),					
Dodge 5-6 down.					
Return straight to lead.					
NOTEAll dodges in 3-4 and 5-6 are single, the dodge in 3-4 is at the					
opposite end to the odd place.					
Thus: if Odd 6th's first is to be made, dodge in 3-4 on the way down after					
the places are made ; but if Odd 6th's last, dodge in 3-4 on the way to your					
places.					
All dodges in 5-6 are up till the odd 6th's or turning place is made, after					
which they are down.					
Make 5th's and 6th's in the full places of Odd 6th's first; but 6th's and					
5th's of Odd 6th's last.					
All places are made with the ordinary whole pull right.					
Let us now connect these places up with the work in 1-2.					
Learn them in the following manner :-					

Front work-Long Dodge first.

Odd 6th's first.

Work with treble.

Odd 6th's last.

Long dodge last. This if finished by hunting straight out behind, called *Straight through*, to take up the sister work in that position.

Three kinds of dodges also occur in 7-8 as in 1-2, viz. :- single, double, and long, and in the same order between the treble, laying her whole pulls ; single, double, long, double and single.

They are divided into three works in the same manner as in the front, namely, Work with treble behind, Long dodge first, and Long dodge last. Work with treble, double dodge 7-8 up whole pull, 7-8 down with treble (single dodge), lay in 7th's place while treble lays her whole pull behind, (equivalent to 2nd's of the front work), 7-8 up with treble (single dodge), whole pull and double dodge 7-8 down

Long dodge first, a five-pull dodge 7-8 up, whole pull behind, and a double dodge 7-8 down. Long dodge last, a double dodge 7-8 up, the whole pull behind, and a five-

pull dodge 7-8 down. Between these pieces of work in 7-8 occur the place-making in 3-4. No places are made in 5-6 from behind.

There are two sets, sister places to those from the front, and are called Odd 3rd's first and Odd 3rd's last. The odd or turning place in these places being made in 3rd (the 6th's place from behind). After each set of places are completed, the bells return behind.

Odd 3rd's first—Straight to 3-4. Dodge 3-4 down; make 3rd's. (The odd place).

Dodge 3-4 up; make 4th's and 3rd's. Dodge 3-4 up (with treble); make 4th's and 3rd's.

Dodge 3-4 up. Return behind dodging 5-6 up on the way.

Odd 3rd's last—Dodge 5-6 on way down. Dodge 3-4 down; make 3rd's and 4th's. Dodge 3-4 down (with treble); make 3rd's and 4th's. Dodge 3-4 down; make 3rd's. (The odd place).

Dodge 3-4 up. Return straight to 7-8.

NOTE.—The dodge in 5-6 is at the opposite end to the odd places. Straight to Odd 3rd's first, and dodge in 5-6 on the return. Dodge in 5-6 on the way to Odd 3rd's last, and return straight to 7-8 after places

All dodges are down till the odd place is made, after which they are up. Make 4th's and 3rd's in full places of *Odd 3rd's first*; but 3rd's and 4th's of Odd 3rd's last.

These places are connected in a similar manner to those of the front, thus

Work behind-Long dodge first. Odd 3rd's first, Work with treble,

Odd 3rd's last.

Long dodge last. Then hunt Straight through to work in the front, starting in that position with Long dodge first.

AT A BOB.

The bell doing work with treble in front, after its dodge 1-2 up with treble, hunts out, dodges in 5-6 up, and takes up work with treble behind, after which it does Odd 3rd's last.

The bell which is coming down to make Odd 3rd's last, hunts through 3-4 and turns treble, finishing work with treble in front, and then take up Odd 6th's last.

The bell making Odd 3rd's first after its dodge with treble in 3-4, continues making 4th's and 3rd's till treble comes 3-4 up, when it dodges with her and completes Odd 3rd's last.

The places made are 4th's, 3rd's; 4th's 3rd's; and 4th's.

(To be continued).

ANNIVERSARY OF THE ST. MARGARET'S SOCIETY, LEISTON.

The Anniversary of this Society, which has now become an established institution, and is always hailed with so much pleasure by its members, was held in the large assembly room of the "White Horse" Hotel, on Friday evening, January 8th, when 21 members and probationers assembled and did full justice to a bountiful spread, placed upon the table in Host Johnson's usual good style. Upon the removal of the cloth, the Rev. R. H. L. James was unani-

mously voted to the chair, who gave the usual loyal and patriotic toasts in due form. The health of the Rector was next given, with expressions of much regret that his state of health rendered it necessary for the Rev. gentleman to leave home for a few weeks, and best wishes expressed for a speedy restoration to health.

Then came the toast of the evening, "Success to the St. Margaret's Society of Change Ringers," coupled with the name of the kind and genial master, Mr. John Button. Mr. Button, in responding, expressed the pleasure he felt in reviewing the great progress made by the Society during the past year. Several of the members who were probationers at the last anniversary had now become qualified as full performing members, the result of persistent effort, and regular attendance at practices. He urged the importance of continued perseverance to obtain efficiency in perfect striking. The health of the Reverend Chairman was next given by Mr. John Button, who spoke in most feeling terms of the great assistance Mr. James had rendered to the society, and who was deserving of their most

sincere thanks. The Reverend gentleman, in responding, said how much it pleased him to see the great progress that the members had made. He was also much gratified to find that throughout the country a much was also much grained to find that throughout the country a much increasing interest was being taken by the Clergy towards the ringers, holding in sympathy with them as doing an important part of Church work. Continuing, Mr. James remarked that everything in connection with the scientific art and service of change-ringing was on the ascending scales. Belfries were no longer the disreputable places they once were, and the status of ringers had so much improved. For these, and other beneficial results, we have to thank in a great measure the work of the Norwich Diocesan and other kindred Associations. That "unity is strength" specially applied to ringers, who were bound together in bonds of brother-hood and sympathy. The Reverend gentleman was pleased to see that another ringers' paper -*Campanology*—had been issued and concluded his remarks by expressing regret that he had not been able to attend all the practices, but he had done his best, and would continue to do so, in order that he may obtain proficiency in the art of scientific change ringing, in which the Reverend gentleman said, that all the faculties of the eye, the ear, the mind, and the body, were concentrated and brought into active requisition.

Other toasts followed. "Success to the Norwich Diocesan Association," coupled with the name of its first local Secretary, Mr. W. Taylor, and the present District Secretary, Mr. H. J. Button. "The Committee of the Society" coupled with the name of Mr. A. J. Lincoln. "The Conductors" coupled with the name of Mr. T. E. Shearing. "The Visitors" coupled with the names of Algernon James, Esq., (who has joined the Society as a probationer). Mr. A. Valiant, and Mr. H. Baldry, also Mr. F. Cooper, Mr. J. Flegg, &c. all of whom suitably responded. "Our absent friends" was next given—absentees, not of choice, but of necessity, as the Rev. chairman remarked.

The meeting was enlivened with songs by Algernon James, Esq., Messrs, C. Samson, T. D. Bell, T. E. Shearing, T. Staukey, H. Baldry, W. Taylor, F. Wolfe, and others, with pianoforte accompaniment by Mr. A. Valiant, interspersed with handbell ringing and tune ringing. The singing of "Auld Lang Syne" brought to a close a thoroughly successful and enjoyable meeting, marked throughout with the utmost harmony and good will.

ST, PETER-AT-ARCHES, LINCOLN.

RINGERS WEDDING.

The marriage of Mr. R. E. Clarke (a prominent member of the above Society) and Miss Heath, of Nottingham was solemnized at the Church of St. Botolph, Lincoln, on the 26th December. His brother ringers anxious to show all possible respect to their colleague assembled at the Church to make the most of the joyous music of the bells (a peal of 5 upon which Mr. Clark received his first lessons in the art) as the happy pair left the Church.

the Church. Owing to the funeral of the Parish clerk of St. Peter-at-Arches taking place on the same day all thoughts of a peal upon these bells were abandoned: but on Monday morning, the 28th ult., an attempt was made for a peal of Kent Treble Bob Major, which unhappily terminated after about 2 hours good ringing, by the following:-J. B. Fenton (conductor), I G. Flutham, 2; J. Holman, 3; G. W. Berrose 4; J. W. Watson, 5; D. Brearley, 6; R. Dawson, 7; C. W. P. Clifton, 8. Messrs. Holman and Brearley hail from Sheffield. On the bridgeroom's first appearance at the tower a pleasant curvice

On the bridegroom's first appearance at the tower a pleasant suprise On the bridegroom's first appearance at the tower a pleasant suprise awaited hin, when, in the absence of the respected Master of the Company (Mr, Lindoff), Mr. J. W. Watson on behalf of the Society presented a pair of bronzed Marli Horses and a crumb tray and brush as a token of their respect and esteem and with best wishes for the future happiness of the bride and bridegroom. Mr. Clark gratefully acknowledged the gift. On Monday evening the 4th inst., twelve members of this Society were able to accept Mr. and Mrs. Clark's kind invitation to spend the evening with them and to partake of their hospitality. The evening was most

with them and to partake of their hospitality. The evening was most enjoyably spent in games &c., and midnight was only too early announced when the company dispersed having expressed their best wishes to the host and hostess.

For some time past a Batchelors peal has been talked of; this loss to their ranks leaves the company with eight batchelors (all of course eligible) and seven married; so that unless a start is soon made, the probabilities are that the honour of the "unmixed" peal will be achieved by the Benedicts.

THE BATH AND WELLS DIOCESAN ASSOCIATION.

On Tuesday, December 29th, the members of the St. James' Branch, Taunton, were entertained to supper at the Vicarage by the Vicar, the Rev. G. Kingdom, and Mrs. Kingdom. After a touch of Triples on the hand-bells, we sat down to an excellent repast, all doing full justice to a fine course of bob Turkey, other courses turning up in a splendid style. After satisfying the inner man, we made a move to the drawing room, where handbell ringing and various games were indulged in until 10 o'clock. Thanking the Vicar, Mrs., and the Misses Kingdom, we made our way

home, all having spent a most enjoyable evening.

RINGERS' DINNER AT UFFORD.

Through the hospitality of Messrs. W. Ward (of Ufford) and C. Ward (of Melton), about 30 ringers sat down to a substantial dinner at Mr. A. Ward's, the White Lion Inn. The invitation was given in commemoration of the Ufford company having achieved their first 5040 of Double Norwich, which was rung about two months ago, Mr. W. Ward (who is the leader of the local company) promising them a dinner when the peal was accom-The invitation was further extended to other ringing friends of plished. Messrs. Ward, including an old veteran in the person of Mr. J. Fosdike (who is 80), several members of the St. Mary-le-Tower Society, Ipswich, Mr. Cricker (Earl Soham), Mr. Tarrant and another from Monewden, Mr. Wightman from Brandeston, and Mr. Vm. Pye, of Chadwell Heath, Essex. The Rector of the Parish and Mr. A. Acfield, the Rector's Warden, were also invited, and filled the chairs at the head and foot of the table. The Rector thanked Mr. William and Mr. Charles Ward for their invitation, and said it gave him much pleasure to be amongst bellringers of such high Speaking of the good work done by ringers in the church, he standing. thought there might be some danger attached to it if they did not conduct Queen and the Royal Family " was drunk, and was followed by songs and other toasts, Mr. Catchpole (of Ipswich) " opening the ball " with the first vocal effort. A course of Grandsire Caters and a course of Double Norwich Court Bob Major was also rung by the Ipswich Company, which has now lately accomplished one of the grandest performances on 12 bells ever achieved, no other company in England having performed the same methods on 8, 10, and 12 bells. The ringers present heartily congratulated them, expressing the hope they would retain their superiority as 12-bell ringers. Mr John Forsdyke (of Woodbridge), who is still in fairly good health, when quite a boy used to go with his father to chime; from chiming he learnt to ring. At that time he was about 25 years old, and was anxious to learn the more intricate methods, but his comrades were unwilling to learn.

RINGMER, SUSSEX.

CHOIR AND BELL RINGERS' SUPPER.

On New Year's Eve, Thursday, December 31st, Rev. F. B. Gribbell entertained the adult members of the choir and bell ringers to supper. About 20 sat down including the Vicar and Rev. W. A. Errington, (curate). At the conclusion of the meal the Rev. F. B. Gribbell extended to those assembled a very hearty welcome, both in his own name and that of his family. He said it was the sixth time they had thus assembled, he always looked forward to these gatherings with great pleasure. This was the first occasion on which they had had the pleasure of the presence of the Rev. W. A. Errington. In him he had a very great helper for he filled up many short comings and took a lively interest in all the work of the Church and Parish. As to the choir it had been the remark of everyone who attended the Church on Christmas day, that the services had been exceedingly bright, the anthem especially being rendered in fine style. To the ringers many thanks were due for the way in which they performed their duties. He hoped that all, whether clergy, choir or ringers, would throw their whole energy into the work, for anything done in the service of God was worthy of a little trouble. The rev. gentleman concluded by wishing all a very happy New Year.

The Rev. W. A. Errington thanked the Vicar for the kind words he had spoken of him. This was his first curacy and he was very fortunate in coming to the Parish of such a Vicar as Mr. Gribbell. With regard to the choir it was a work in which he threw his whole heart and it was pleasing to hear such good things about them from unbiased persons. As to change ringing he knew something about the science and he was going to attend the practices so as to be able to take part with them.

The party then adjourned to the drawing room where songs and handbell ringing were indulged in.

CHESTER.

On Sunday, December 27th, at St. Mary's Without-the-Walls, for evening service, 1036 of Grandsire Triples. W. Joinson, 1; H. Dew, 2; W. Wood, 3; J. Swindley, 4; C. Price (conductor), 5; J. Tomlinson, 6; W. Moulton, 7; W. Foster, 8.

Moulton, 7; W. Poster, 8.
On Sunday, January 3rd, at St. Mary's Without-the-Walls, for morning service, 504 of Grandsire Triples. E. Channell, 1; W. Wood, 2; W. Joinson, 3; J. Tomlinson, 4; C. Price, 5; T. J. Bratton (conductor), 6; W. Moulton, 7; L. Scoefield, 8. Also for evening service, 1008 of Bob Major. W. Joinson, 1; W. Wood, 2; T. J. Bratton, 3; J. Swindley, 4; C. Price, 5; J. Tomlinson, 6; W. Moulton, 7; H. Dew (conductor), 8. T. J. Bratton hails from Welshpool.

On Tuesday, December 15th, at the Cathedral, for practice, 480 of Kent Treble Bob Major (tenors parted four leads). C. Price (conductor), 1; J. Swindley, 2; W. Wood, 3; G. Caldwell, 4; G. Garrard, 5; G. Garrard, 6; W. Moulton, 7; T. G. Bithell, 8. Tenor 33 cwt.

HITCHAM, SUFFOLK

On Sunday, January 10th, 720 Bob Minor. T. Levett, 1; R. Grimwood, 2; J. Snell, 3; C. W, Grimwood, 4; F. Cook, 5; W. Stiff (conductor) 6.

HEIGHINGTON, DURHAM.

On Saturday, January 2nd, Messrs. Lungley (2), Park (2), E. Cox, and W. Porter of Darlington, visited the village of Heighington by the special invitation of Mrs. Barrett of Heighington Hall. The journey, notwithstanding the fact of the thermometer being several

The journey, notwithstanding the fact of the thermometer being several degrees below freezing point, was made by road in a waggonette, and thanks to the masterly manner in which Mr. G. Park handled the reins, we arrived safely at our destination.

The Church contains some good specimens of the Roman arch. The one in the chancel is said to be one of the finest in the county.

The tower contains a musical ring of six bells, tenor 16 cwts., the 2nd and 3rd are very old, and the treble bears the date 1245. Ellacombe's ringing appartus is also fitted.

On our arrival at the Church, the bells were soon set going to the tune of "Double Court Bob" conducted by Mr. G. W. Park. A 720 of "Kent Treble Bob" conducted by Mr. T. Lungley, finished the afternoon's ringing, the later part being attentively watched by the vicar. A course of Grandsire Caters was then rung on handbells by G. J. Lungley, 1-2; W. Porter, 3-4; G. W. Park, 5-6; T. Lungley, 7-8; G. Park, 9-10; to show the vicar, and by the host of questions he asked proved the interest he took in the matter, would there were more like him.

We then made our way to Heighington Hall, where we found a splendid knife and fork tea awaiting us, needless to say justice was done to all the good things. After tea Messrs. Lungley, Park and Porter played selections on the handbells, much to the delight of Mrs. Barrett and her household.

Mr. G. Park having thanked our hostess for her hospitality, we were soon on our way to Darlington which was reached soon after eleven p.m., all having spent a most enjoyable afternoon.

BILDESTON, SUFFOLK.

RINGERS' SUPPER.

On Friday evening, January 8th, the Bildeston bell-ringers had their annual supper at the residence of Mr. A. Long. At 6 o'clock, "go" was called for an excellent peal of "knife and fork surprise," which was brought round in very good style, not a man missing his "dodge." After supper, the rest of the evening was spent in handbell ringing and singing songs. Amongst the various touches was 360 of Bob Minor. W. Whittell, r; R. Bedingfield, 2; A. Long, 3; R. Grimwood, 4; J. Taylor, 5-6. Also 144 of Bob Minor. R. Grimwood, 1-2; R. Bedingfield, 3-4; J. Taylor, 5-6. Both were conducted by R. Grimwood. After having thanked Mr. and Mrs. Long for the good way in which they had provided for them that night, "God save the Queen" was sung with variations, every one going home well satisfied.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, REDHILL.

The bells of St. John's Church, Redhill, were opened on Saturday evening, January 9th, by the following members of the Surrey Association, 630 Grandsire Triples; F. Knight, I; H. Reeves, 2, Con. A. Songhurst, 3; S. Kenward, 4; W. Edwards, 5; E. Kenward, 6; T. Sparks, 7; A. Mosley, 8. It was found impossible to ring any longer on account of there being no sounding floor to stop the sound of the bells, and there will not be any more ringing until that is done.

GRAVELEY, HERTS.

The Eighth Annual Supper of the St. Mary Guild of Change-ringers, was given by the Rector, the Rev. G. Rivet Carnac, on New Year's Eve. The ringers met at the church and rang several 6-scores of Grandsire Doubles. Half-past eight found us all at the rectory. The Rector gave us a hearty welcome and conducted us to the dining-room, where a capital repast was awaiting us, to which we all did ample justice. Supper being over, all adjourned to the smoking-room, cigars and games being the order, all thoroughly enjoying themselves. The handbells were brought into use, Grandsire Doubles and some lapping were gone through, half-past eleven came all too quickly. After thanking the Rector for his kind hospitality and wishes for a happ new year, steps were taken to the church to ring the old year out and the new year in. Two 6-scores were rung till five minutes to twelve, the tenor was rung till twelve, and four more 6-scores were then rung, conducted by J. Gray and P. Stratton. The following also took part in the ringing :—E. Chalkley, R. Aldridge, L. Angle, C. Bracy, W. Ebbling. We are at present not able to do anything other than Grandsire Doubles ; it has been all uphill work teaching new members, but now we have got a band together again, we hope to be able to do Minor in the near future.

WHITTON, NORTHWICH.

On Thurday, January 7th, at the Parish Church, for practice, 1008 Plain Bob Major. G. Johnson, 1; A. Johnson, 2; S. Johnson, 3; S Forster, 4; R. Mantler, 5; H. Parker, 6; J. Bell, 7; W. Forster (conductor), 8.

Notices.

THE MIDDLESEX ASSOCIATION.

The next Quarterly Meeting of this Association will be held at Tottenham, on Saturday, 16th January. The tower of All Hallows' Church will be open for ringing from 5 p.m. Members and friends of the Association are cordially invited.

ARTHUR T. KING, Hon. Sec., "Sarum," Ravenscroft Park Road, Barnet.

THE HEAVY WOOLLEN DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

(YORKSHIRE BRANCH).

The yearly meeting of the above will be held at the Little Saddle Inn, Dewsbury, on January 16th, 1897, at 5 p.m. prompt. The following business will be transacted:-Election of Officers, Auditors' Report, Balance Sheet; also consideration of the following alterations: Exchange of dates of the contests; alteration of the monthly meeting; addition to rule 12 and 13; also as to practice allowed, and other important business. Subscriptions for 1897 will be due. All members are requested to attend. GEO. H. SIMON, Hon. Sec., 19, Albert Street, Batley Carr.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(LEWISHAM DISTRICT.)

The next quarterly meeting of this District will be held at Crayford, on Saturday, January 16th. Tower open for ringing at 3 p.m. Committee meeting in Schoolroom at 6 p.m

W. BEDWELL, Hon. Secretary, Albacore Crescent, Lewisham

THE LANCASHIRE ASSOCIATION.

MANCHESTER BRANCH.

The next Monthly Meeting will be held at the Manchester Cathedral, on Saturday, January 16th. Bells ready at 5 p.m. Business at 7 p.m. All ringing friends invited whether members of the Association or not. WALTER BROWN, Branch Secretary, 54, Wenlock St., Hulme, Manchester.

THE YORKSHIRE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting will be held at Leeds, on Saturday, January 16th. Choral Service in the Parish Church at 4 p.m., with sermon by the Rev. R. S. Medlicott. Tea will be served in the school at 8d. each, names for which must be sent in to Mr. Francis Woodhead, 3, Runswick Place, Top Moor Side, Holbeck, on or before January 11th. Business meeting in the schoolroom after tea. The bells of the Parish Church (12); St. Michael's, Headingley (8); St. Chad's, Headingley (8); St. Francis, Holbeck, R.C. (8); Christ Church, Armley (6).

SOCIETY FOR THE ARCHDEANERY OF STAFFORD.

The next quarterly meeting of this Society, will be held at the Parish Church, Cannock, on Saturday, January 23rd, 1897. Bells available for ringing during the afternoon and evening. Short service in church at 5 p.m. Committee meeting at 5.30 Tea at 6 p.m. One shilling each to all those who send in their names not later than the 20th instant to—

S. REEVES, Hon. Secretary, 10, Bull Street, West Bromwich.

THE ALL SAINTS' SOCIETY, FULHAM.

The annual general meeting of the above Society will take place on Saturday, January 23rd. The tower will be open to members and friends. at 4 p.m. Tea in Church Room at 6 p.m. Business meeting afterwards. All ringers intending to be present should signify the same to the Secretary, not later than Thursday, January 21st.

J. GREEN, Hon. Secretary, Fulham Palace.

THE ST. MARTIN'S GUILD, BIRMINGHAM.

The usual quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 26th, at the Tamworth Arms, Moor Street, Birmingham. Chair to be taken at 8.30 p.m. As there is important business for consideration, the attendance of every member is earnestly requested. Particular attention is directed to clause 4 of Rule vi.

W. H. GODDEN, Hon. Sec., 61, Roland Road, Handsworth, Birmingham.

THE WATERLOO SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of this Society will be held on Wednesday, January 27th, at St. John's, Waterloo Road, when the Election of Officers for the ensuing year will take place. Members are requested to attend. Meeting time, 8 p.m.

WALTER C. HASTED, Hon. Secretary, 37, Rita Road, Vauxhall Park, S.W.

THE ESSEX ASSOCIATION.

A district meeting of the above, will be held at Brentwood, on Saturday, January 30th. Tea will be provided at the Church House, at 5 p.m., to be followed by a business meeting. Members intending to be present, must signify the same and the station from which they start, not later than the previous Tuesday.

HENRY T. W. EYRE, Gt. Totham Vicarage, Witham.

THE KENT COUNTY ASSOCIATION.

(TONBRIDGE DISTRICT).

The annual meeting of this District will be held at Edenbridge on Saturday, January 30th. Further particulars will be announced next week. W. LATTER, Hon. Dist. Sec., 67, Goods Station Road, Tunbridge Wells.

THE ASHTON-UNDER-LYNE SOCIETY

The quarterly meeting of the Ashton-under Lyne Society will be held at Flixton, on Saturday, January 30th. Bells ready at 4; meeting at 7. S. Booтн, Hon. Sec., 35, Uxbridge Street, Ashton-under-Lyne.

THE CENTRAL COUNCIL.-PRELIMINARY NOTICE.

Representatives who have been elected to the Central Council, are respectfully reminded that in accordance with the decision of the Council at its last meeting, the next meeting will be in held London, at Whitsuntide instead of Easter. The latest date for forwarding to the Hon. Secretary, Notices of Motions, &c. (which must be in writing, and signed by two representatives), will be therefore Saturday, May 8th. Hon. Secretaries of Societies are respectfully reminded that the subscription to the Council of 25. 6d. for each Representative is now due, and should be remitted to the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer without delay, together with the names and addresses of the Representatives elected,

H. EARLE BULWER, Hon. Sec., Stanhoe Rectory, King's Lynn.

HAYES, KENT.

The usual weekly practices will be held every Monday until Easter, from 6.30 to 8 p.m. J. HACK, Hayes.

ST. MARGARET'S, ROCHESTER.

The practice at St. Margaret's, Rochester, is held on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 p.m.

THE METROPOLIS.

The Bells are rung for Divine Service at the following Churches on Sunday next, January 17th, 1897 :-

- St. Margaret's, Westminster-6 p.m.

- St. Margaret's, Westminster—6 p.m. St. Paul's Cathedral—9.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, E.—10 a.m. St. Stephen's, Westminster—10 a.m. and 6 p.m. All Saints', Fulham, S.W.—10 a.m. and 6 p.m. St. Luke's, Chelsea, 10.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. St. Luke's, Chelsea, 10.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. St. Stephen's, Hampstead—10 a.m. and 6 p.m. St. Alfege, Greenwich, S.E.—10.15 a.m. and 5.45 p.m. St. Mary's, Lewisham, S.E.—10 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. St. Mary's, Westhem, D. Is a.m. and s.m.

- St. Mary's, Woolwich—10.15 a.m. and 5.45 p.m. St. John the Baptist, Chipping Barnet—10.30. a m. and 6 p.m. St. Mary's Finchley –10.30 a.m. and 6 p.m. All Hallows, Tottenham 10 a.m. and 5.30 p m.
- St. Mary Abbots, Kensington-10.45 a m. and 6.15 p.m.

MEETINGS FOR PRACTICE.

St. Luke's, Chelsea	Every Wednesday, 7.45 p.m.
St. John's, Waterloo Road	Every Wednesday 8 p.m.
St. Mary's, Woolwich	Every Thursday
St. Margaret's, Lee	Every Thursday
St. Mary's, Finchley	
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St. Margaret, Westminster	Every Monday 8
St. John the Baptist, Chip. Barnet	Every Monday 7.30 ,,
All Saints', Isleworth	
St. Mary, Lewisham	No practice
All Hallows, Tottenham	Every Tuesday 8.30
S.S. Peter & Paul, Bromley, Kent-	
S. Mary Abbots, Kensington	
St. Martin's-in-the-Fields	
West Ham	
St. Magnus, London Bridge	
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The Editor will be pleased to receive from the Secretaries and custodians of the various towers any addition to this list.]

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J.L.H. (Brenchley)—Thanks for your kind remarks. We have not printed the illustrations separately. The matter is under consideration.

D.H. (Great Yarmouth) and J.H. (Kingston-on-Thames)-Date touches as sent to us are false.

OUR COMPOSITION PAGE.

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